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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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This amendment is raised to address the following:

- To respond to questions received during the solicitation period; and
- To revise the solicitation accordingly, as applicable.

Questions and Answers

Q117 CDRL DAB-ILS-002, Sec 10.2.4, 10.2.5 - Undefined Spreadsheet for PPB/RSPL/LLT1. Please define what paragraph 10.2.4 requires with respect to “providing the required data as identified at the top of the spreadsheet”. The RFP does not appear to include any such spreadsheet.2. Please clarify the meaning of 10.2.5 with respect to “indenture levels C and below” and “Sample inputs have been provided...”.

A117 The paragraphs 10.2.4 and 10.2.5 are not required and have been deleted from the SOW as per item 7 below. As described, these CDRLs are to be prepared in Contractor format.

Q118 DAB SOW 4.1(h)&(i) - EIE SOW Requirement DAB SOW 4.1(h) duplicates the ISS requirement for the EIE. Please confirm that EIE is strictly an ISS requirement. We recommend that you delete 4.1 (h) or simply rephrase it as information rather than a requirement under the DAB contract.

A118 The EIE is a deliverable under the ISS Contract that will be used to support the deliverables for both the ISS and DAB contracts. The paragraph has been amended as per item 1 below to rephrase the statements as informational vice as requirements.

Q119 DAB SOW 7.5.2(a) - Softcopy deliverable format The requirement in 7.5.2 for C-01-000-001/AG-001 compliance appears to contradict 7.5.1(a) which requires maximum use of existing technical publications. Please confirm that the contractor should deliver in contractor format per 7.5.1(a).

A119 The requirement has been clarified in the DAB SOW as per item 4 below.

Q120 DAB SOW App 4 (CDRL); DAB-SE-015; DAB-SE-004 - Site and Shelter CDRLs relative to exercise of Options. Please confirm that DAB-SE-015 becomes a deliverable at PDR only as part of Canada's exercise of one or more of the DAB Telecom Shelter options.

A120 Canada confirms that this is correct. The DAB-SE-015 becomes a deliverable at PDR only if Canada exercises one or more DAB Telecom Shelter options.

Q121 DAB Spec 2.3.2.11, DAB SOW Fig 5-1 - Cross-connect for Serial Interfaces Please confirm that the system must support baseband cross-switching of the following numbers of interfaces at the Canada data network demarcation points, per DAB SOW Figure 5-1:

- One hundred and twenty-five (125) Ethernet IP connections;
- Forty (40) RS-530 serial connections.

A121 Ethernet IP Connections - Confirmed 125

RS-350 Serial Connections - As an initial state, Canada will require no more than forty (this number could change over time) modems to be connected to the Baseband Switching Matrix using the RS-530 serial interface(s). However, any of the one hundred twenty five (i.e., sixty

identified modems plus sixty-five expansion modems) may be required to be included and/or excluded from this serial modem subset with little time and effort (e.g., pre-wired patch panel).

Canada requests to be advised if there is a technical limitation that impacts COTS solutions to address this requirement. If so, what is a reasonable number of serial modems that could be supported by COTS equipment without the need for engineering development?

Q122 ISS SOW - Funding Responsibilities under ISS

Further to Q&A67 issued via solicitation amendment 009, Canada wishes to provide additional information to clarify the matter.

A122 R&O Table Update

The Contractor will own and operate the MGAS spares, consumables, and repair parts. Furthermore, the Contractor is responsible for all the parts and labour associated with any MGAS sustaining engineering and lifecycle costs throughout the ISS Contract. The Contractor should factor this into their bid and include all the costs for the material (spare parts and consumables) and support services including maintenance, R&O and obsolescence management. Any technology insertions (parts and labour) authorized by Canada will become a separate tasking funded by Canada. There are some paragraphs in the ISS SOW that have been amended as per items 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10 below to clarify this requirement regarding spares and consumables. The previous table provided by industry has also been updated (see below) to reflect the work described in the ISS SOW.

Item	Period	Funding Responsibility
Repair and Overhaul (R&O) or Acquisition/Delivery of replacement hardware for non-repairables	DAB (i.e. prior to acceptance by Canada)	Contractor, under DAB Contract
	After DAB contract (i.e. ISS)	Contractor, under ISS Contract
R&O of an item repaired under a previous Tasking (Note: No repairs will be done under Taskings since this is included in the core work of the ISS Contract.)	N/A	N/A
	N/A	N/A
Hardware for technology insertion	Any time after acceptance of the MGAS by Canada but typically 5-7 years after delivery.	Canada, under ISS Tasking
Hardware replacements for obsolete items and consumables	Any time	Contractor, under ISS Contract

Q123 With regard to A53: "Personnel constructing shelters will not need security clearances as they will be escorted. The installation of and access to WGS equipment will require personnel that are cleared to Secret..." Please confirm that the Anchor Station installation personnel outside the Telecom Shelter will not need security clearances as they will be escorted.

A123 In accordance with SRCL 10(b), unscreened personnel may be used for portions of the work including Anchor Station installation activities not requiring access to WGS information. Given this, installation personnel inside or outside of the Telecom Shelter will only require clearances if unescorted. There is no expectation that any installation personnel will require access to WGS information.

Solicitation Revisions

1. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work, section 4.1, item (h):

DELETE: In its entirety
 INSERT: The following:

- h. In order to adhere to Green Procurement Principles the Contractor will implement an Electronic Information Environment (EIE) that enables the electronic exchange of project, technical and contractual information between DND and its associated organizations and eliminate paper deliverables where possible.

2. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work section 6.2.1 - General, subsection a.

DELETE: FAC/PCA
 INSERT: FCA/PCA

DELETE: DAB warranty period
 INSERT: ISS phase

3. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work section 6.2.1 - General, subsection d, subitems 3, 4 and 5:

DELETE: DAB warranty phase
 INSERT: ISS phase

4. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work, section 7.5.2, item (a)

DELETE: In its entirety
 INSERT: The following:

- a. If the Technical Publication does not already exist in Contractor format, then soft copy deliverable format must be prepared and provided in accordance with Authoring, Publishing and Distributions (APDS) Deliverable Requirements document C-01-000-001/AG-001 as specified by the Project Authority.

5. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work following section 7.5:

INSERT: A new section, 7.6, as follows:

7.6 In-Service Support

- a. The Contractor must provide all the necessary life cycle services, as specified in the ISS SOW W8474-14MG25/002, including but not limited to, engineering, maintenance, material, operations, project management, installation, integration and testing to maintain the hardware and software throughout its in-service life.
- b. The Contractor must provide the spares, repairs, consumables and engineering support services of the MGAS and its associated equipment that are required to meet the availability requirements during ISS without any additional taskings from Canada.

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- c. The Contractor must ensure that technology insertion and capability upgrades approved by Canada under Additional Work Request are coordinated and integrated with the Contractor's obsolescence management program.
6. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work, Appendix 2, subsections 2.3.2.14, 2.3.3.4 and 2.3.3.7:
- DELETE: DAB warranty period
INSERT: ISS phase
7. At Annex A, Design and Build - Statement of Work Appendix 5, CDRL DAB-ILS-002
- DELETE: Subsections 10.2.4 and 10.2.5 in their entirety
8. At Annex G - In-Service Support - Statement of Work, section 1.3.1 Table 1-1, #15:
- DELETE: 'Description' text in its entirety
INSERT: 'Description' text as follows;
- The MGAS and EIE spares, consumables and repair parts will be Contractor owned and operated. The Contractor will manage the spares by providing storage, arranging replacement and repairs, tracking and providing configuration control.
9. At Annex G - In-Service Support - Statement of Work, section 3.0, subsection 1.8.3.3:
- DELETE: In its entirety
INSERT: Subsection 1.8.3.3 as follows:
- 1.8.3.3 The Contractor must obtain, maintain and manage an inventory of spares, repair parts and consumables at its facilities in Canada adequate to support operations for the MGAS equipment listed in Appendix 2 of this SOW. This inventory will include DND-owned items and Contractor-owned items.
10. At Annex G - In-Service Support - Statement of Work, section 3.0, subsection 1.8.4
- DELETE: In its entirety
11. At Annex G, In-Service Support - Statement of Work, section 3.0, subsection 1.13.1:
- DELETE: Operational Support
INSERT: Additional Operation Support
12. At Annex G, In-Service Support - Statement of Work, section 3.0, seubsection 1.13.1.1:
- DELETE: In its entirety
INSERT: The following:
- 1.13.1.1 The Contractor must provide this operational support (see Section 1.4.3 of this Annex) beginning after the Anchor Stations have been accepted by Canada. This is an additional 24/7/365 resource requirement to that identified in 1.4.3.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME