Statistics Canada

Request for proposals: 1920-0003449 (Reference number: PW-13-00505910)

Title: DATA SUPPLY FOR THE COMPUTER & PERIPHERALS PRICE INDEX AND THE COMPUTER SOFTWARE PRICE INDEX

DOCUMENT 2 - October 21, 2013

DOCUMENT 2 is to provide answers to questions received.

Question 1:

Is there any flexibility in the data delivery dates as outlined in SW 4.1.4, specifically the requirement to provide data within 6 days of the close of the month?

Answer 1:

No. The price indexes calculated with this data are used by several programs at Statistics Canada and our scheduled deliverables are such that the data is needed 6 business days after the reference month.

Question 2:

Would it be possible to submit 2 responses to this RFP – one that includes Software reporting and one that does not?

Answer 2:

Two bids can be submitted, but each bid will be evaluated separately on its own merit according to the criteria outlined in the RFP.

Question 3:

Are you seeking data from March 2014 forward only? Is historical data not required at all for trending purposes?

Answer 3:

As described in SW.4.1.2.1 and SW.4.1.2.2, pre-March 2014 data should also be provided.

Question 4:

We are requesting an extension to the deadline. Could we extend the deadline for one week to Friday November 1st at 2:00pm?

Answer 4:

Yes, the deadline will be extended.

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Question 5:

We would like to confirm that you are only requesting average price for each specific model, and that you do not require sales volumes for those items?

Answer 5:

We require price for the monthly deliverables (SW.4.3.1.3 and SW.4.3.1.6) and average annual selling price and number of units sold in the year for the annual delivery (specified in SW.4.3.1.4 and SW.4.3.1.7).