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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION**

**Proposal To: Public Works and Government
Services Canada**

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

**Proposition aux: Travaux Publics et Services
Gouvernementaux Canada**

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

Comments - Commentaires

Title - Sujet Plot Seeder	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 01580-140302/A	Date 2013-11-26
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client AAFC	
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$WPG-108-8774	
File No. - N° de dossier WPG-3-36227 (108)	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2014-01-06	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Central Standard Time CST
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Perkins, Bill	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur wpg108
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (204) 983-0275 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (204) 983-7796
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD Canada-Saskatchewan Irrigation Diversification Centre 901 McKenzie Street South Outlook Saskatchewan S0L 2N0 Canada	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Vendor/Firm Name and Address
**Raison sociale et adresse du
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution
Public Works and Government Services Canada - Western
Region
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Delivery Required - Livraison exigée See Herein	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
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Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date

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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement associated with the requirement.

2. Requirement

Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, Saskatchewan Irrigation Diversification Centre in Outlook, SK has a requirement for one (1) Research Plot Seeder to Outlook, SK, on or before March 31, 2014.

3. Debriefings

After contract award, bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days of receipt of notification that their bid was unsuccessful. The debriefing may be provided in writing, by telephone or in person.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions* (<http://ccua-sacc.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/pub/acho-eng.jsp>) Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The 2003 (2013-06-01) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

Subsection 5.4 of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: sixty (60) days

Insert: one hundred and twenty (120) days

2. Submission of Bids

Bids must be submitted only to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to PWGSC will not be accepted.

3. Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than five (5) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

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Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

4. Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Manitoba.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the bidders.

PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Bid Preparation Instructions

Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (two (2) hard copies)

Section II: Financial Bid (one (1) hard copy)

Section III: Certifications (one (1) hard copy)

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process [Policy on Green Procurement](#)

(<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders are encouraged to:

- 1) use paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and/or containing minimum 30% recycled content; and
- 2) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment. The total amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) must be shown separately, if applicable.

1.1 SACC Manual Clauses

C3011T (2010-01-11), Exchange Rate Fluctuation

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications required under Part 5.

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

1. Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

1.1 Technical Evaluation

1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

- a) Ability to perform the full scope of the work as described in Annex "A", Requirement.
- b) Provision of pricing as per the instructions in Annex "B", Basis of Payment.

1.2 Financial Evaluation

SACC Manual Clause A0220T (2013-04-25), Evaluation of Price

2. Basis of Selection

2.1 Basis of Selection - Mandatory Technical Criteria

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated price will be recommended for award of a contract

3. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement.

PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must provide the required certifications and documentation to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default, if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply with this request will also render the bid non-responsive or will constitute a default under the Contract.

1. Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award

1.1 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Related documentation

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder and its affiliates are in compliance with the provisions as stated in Section 01 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Bid of Standard Instructions 2003. The related documentation therein required will assist Canada in confirming that the certifications are true.

1.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](http://www.labour.gc.ca/eng/standards_equality/eq/emp/fcp/list/inelig.shtml)" list (http://www.labour.gc.ca/eng/standards_equality/eq/emp/fcp/list/inelig.shtml) available from [Human Resources and Skills Development Canada \(HRSDC\) - Labour's website](#).

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](#)" list at the time of contract award.

PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

1. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement associated with the requirement.

2. Requirement

The Contractor must provide the items detailed under the Requirement at Annex "A" and the Basis of Payment at Annex "B".

3. Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions* (<http://ccua-sacc.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/pub/acho-eng.jsp>) Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

3.1 General Conditions

2010A (2013-04-25), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

4. Term of Contract

4.1 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received on or before **March 31, 2014**.

5. Authorities

5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Bill Perkins
Supply Specialist
Public Works and Government Services Canada
Acquisitions Branch
100-167 Lombard Ave.
Winnipeg, MB, R3C 2Z1

Telephone: 204-983-0275
Facsimile: 204-983-7796
E-mail address: bill.perkins@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

5.2 Project Authority

The Project Authority for the Contract is: **TBD**

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority, however the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

5.3 Contractor's Representative

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-mail address: _____

6. Payment

6.1 Basis of Payment - Firm Unit Price

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price of \$ TBD. Customs duties are included and Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax is extra, if applicable.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.2 Limitation of Price

SACC Manual clause C6000C (2007-05-25), Limitation of Price

6.3 Monthly Payment

SACC Manual clause H1000C (2008-05-12), Single Payment

7. Invoicing Instructions

The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.

8. Certifications**8.1 Compliance**

Compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the term of the Contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification or it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

9. Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Manitoba.

10. Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) the general conditions 2010A (2013-04-25) - General Conditions Goods (Medium Complexity);
- (c) Annex A, Requirement;
- (d) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated TBD.

11. SACC Manual Clauses

A9068C	Government Site Regulations	(2010-01-11)
B1501C	Electrical Equipment	(2006-06-16)
B7500C	Excess Goods	(2006-06-16)
D5328C	Inspection and Acceptance	(2007-11-30)
G1005C	Insurance	(2008-05-12)

ANNEX "A" - REQUIREMENT

Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, Saskatchewan Irrigation Diversification Centre in Outlook, SK has a requirement for one (1) Research Plot Seeder to Outlook, SK, on or before March 31, 2014.

Background:

The requested plot seeder will be a tractor-drawn research plot seeder that is suitable for seeding into cultivated land, and for direct seeding into non-cultivated land with residues of preceding crops.

MANDATORY CRITERIA: Bidders **MUST** record whether they meet (Yes) or not meet (No) the specifications; In order to be deemed compliant, bidders must meet each mandatory criteria listed below. Failure to meet all the mandatories will result in your bid being deemed non-compliant and it shall not be given any further consideration in the evaluation process.

Bidders **MUST** provide documentation and should cross reference where each of the Mandatories below can be found within the documentation.

Item	Mandatory Criteria	Yes	No	Bidders Cross Reference
1	Information			
1.01	The seeder must have eight parallel link double-disk type seed row openers, individually adjustable for pressure and depth, and capable of cutting through crop residue and planting into undisturbed and cultivated soil. Each seed row opener will have its own packer wheel.			
1.02	The seeder must also have eight disk fertilizer band openers (any suitable type) capable of cutting through crop residue. The distance between the fertilizer band and the seedrow must be adjustable.			
1.03	Fertilizer band placement must be adjustable horizontally, throughout a minimum range of 2.5 to 10.2 cm to one side of the seedrow.			
1.04	The row spacing of the seedrow openers must be adjustable throughout a minimum range of 15.2 to 30.5 cm.			
1.05	The tool bars must be sufficiently long to allow the outside seedrow openers to be centred up to 178 cm apart, and to allow for positioning of the fertilizer band openers up to 10.2 cm to the same side of each seedrow opener in all seedrow configurations.			
1.06	Initial set-up must be provided with all eight seed runs mounted at 25.4-cm spacings, and all fertilizer sideband openers mounted 2.54 cm to one side of the seedrows.			

1.07	The fertilizer and seeding depth must be accurately adjustable throughout a minimum range of 0.0 cm to 10.2 cm, with stops to set the desired depth for the conditions. The openers are to be lifted from the soil by means of a hydraulic ram.			
1.08	Two mounted rotating belted cone metering systems must be provided - one capable of directing material to the seedrows and the sidebands as required, and the other to the seedrows only.			
1.09	Each cone must be at least 30 cm in diameter, and include a cover, and must feed into a spinner divider with six and eight-outlet heads (both head types to be included).			
1.10.	The spinners must be electrically driven from the tractor 12-volt electrical system.			
1.11	Cones, spinners, and all seed metering systems, tubes, and outlets must be capable of handling seeds from bluegrass to large dry bean in size. A Zero-Max drive system providing for seeded plot lengths throughout the 2.5 m to 20 m range will be provided for each cone.			
1.12	Two bulk seeding boxes, each with a dedicated Zero-Max drive, with one metering into each of the cone spinner dividers, must be included.			
1.13	Each seeding box must have a 10-kg capacity and be capable of delivery of a minimum range of 0 to 250 kg/ha of seed, based on a 2.03-m effective seeding width and wheat seed. Box design must allow for easy clean-out, by opening the bottom or tipping.			
1.14	<p>Three fertilizer boxes, each with a minimum 45-kg capacity, a dedicated Zero-Max drive system, and an eight-outlet delivery system with ability to shut off or block any selected runs, must be included, with capabilities as follows:</p> <p>.01 Box #1: Delivery of a minimum range of 0 to 225 kg/ha of fertilizer to the seedrow discs only. This box (only) must have dividers to separate the end portions of the box supplying the end runs from the centre portion of the box supplying the other six runs.</p> <p>.02 Box #2: Delivery of a minimum range of 0 to 250 kg/ha of fertilizer to the seedrow disc and to the sidebanding disks.</p> <p>.03 Box #3: Delivery of a minimum range of 0 to 400 kg/ha of fertilizer to the sidebanding disks only.</p> <p>Above capabilities and rates are based on granular urea (46-0-0) fertilizer and a 25.4-cm row spacing.</p>			

1.15	Seed and fertilizer delivery systems must be ground-driven and must be consistently ($\pm 10\%$) metering down to 2% of each indicated maximum delivery rate. Interchangeable feed wheel types and drive sprockets can be used to achieve accuracy at low delivery rates, so long as they are included and readily changeable. Split fertilizer boxes may be used.			
1.16	The seeder will have an operators' platform and steps for mounting, to allow safe operation and comfortable access to the cones for two operators at field speeds. The platform must have seats or a bench for two operators, and a surface to support seed boxes.			
1.17	Must be a light to indicate clearly to the operator if each spinner divider is operating.			
1.18	The transport wheels must be 2.032 m apart centre-to-centre.			
1.19	The seeder must have all necessary safety shields, step and platform safety rails/handles, and a slow moving vehicle sign, per industry standards.			
1.20.	Each cone drive, and each seed and fertilizer box drive, must be equipped with an electric clutch controlled by a toggle switch in a control panel at the operator platform, and powered from the tractor 12-volt electrical system.			
1.21	All Zero-Max drive units must be variable speed and infinitely adjustable within each indicated range, and readily accessible from the ground or operator platform.			
1.22	The length of the seeder must not exceed 2.90 m (from centre of hitch to centre of transport wheels) and the width must not exceed 2.30 m.			
1.23	The hitch must be of a "gooseneck" design.			
1.24	Hydraulics for lifting the openers must be operated from the tractor. The hydraulic ramp will be connected to the tractor using standard Pioneer couplers			
1.25	All openers must be of a design to either accept a tube for liquid fertilizer application, or be readily modified to do so, at later date.			
1.26	The seeder must be supplied with all attachments assembled, installed, completely serviced, and ready for operation.			
1.27	All moving gears, discs, etc., must either have sealed bearings or clearly marked and accessible greasable fittings.			

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1.28	The implement must be transportable at speeds of up to 100 km/hr when loaded on a trailer, so all lids must be able to be secured and there must be a means of adequately securing the seeder to the trailer using chains.			
1.29	A schematic diagram of the seeder must be included with the tender, detailing all dimensions, weights, type of openers, etc.			
1.30.	An operator's manual and a parts manual for the seeder must be included (one copy, in English).			

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ANNEX "B" - BASIS OF PAYMENT

PRICING must be firm lot pricing in Canadian (CDN) funds, all inclusive for the period of the Contract. Rates MUST include ALL costs (freight and offloading) associated with providing the Goods in accordance with the Statement of Work at Annex A. GST, if applicable, is to be shown as a separate item on any resulting invoice. (PST Exempt 390516-0)

Item	Description	Qty	Unit of Issue	Extended Price (\$ CDN)
1	Pull Type Small Plot Seeder (As detailed herein) Type: _____ Model #: _____ Lot Price Includes: All Freight, delivery, and offloading charges in accordance with Annex A - Requirement.	1	lot	\$
TOTAL				\$