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Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer
Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes
Departmental Individual Standing Offer (DISO)
Offre à commandes individuelle du département(OCID)

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

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

Comments - Commentaires

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Title - Sujet Consultation Services	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EN578-133044/C	Date 2014-04-07
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client EN578-13-3044	Amendment No. - N° modif. 003
File No. - N° de dossier cy007.EN578-133044	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$SCY-019-64893	
Date of Original Request for Standing Offer Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale 2014-03-20	
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2014-04-23	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Westall, Susan	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur cy007
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Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	
Security - Sécurité This revision does not change the security requirements of the Offer. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de la présente offre.	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Acknowledgement copy required	Yes - Oui	No - Non
Accusé de réception requis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Offeror hereby acknowledges this revision to its Offer. Le proposant constate, par la présente, cette révision à son offre.		
Signature	Date	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of offeror. (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du proposant. (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
For the Minister - Pour le Ministre		

This amendment is raised to answer questions from Industry:

Question 3:

If we already have a DOS clearance and are in the process of obtaining further clearances (Document Safeguarding Protected B) does this preclude us from being awarded one of the eight (8) standing offers in any of the Streams?

Answer 3:

The security clearances are required before issuance of a standing offer. If the firm is in the process of obtaining security clearances this will NOT preclude them from being awarded one of the 8 (eight) standing offers in a Stream should they qualify. However, the standing offer will only be issued when the firm can demonstrate they have obtained all the necessary security clearances. The firm will not be awarded any call-ups against the standing offer until all the necessary security clearances have been obtained and they have been issued a standing offer. Please contact the Contracting Authority in order to get sponsored; this will enable your firm to get the necessary paper work in process and obtain your security clearance.

Question 4:

If we do not have a security clearance does this preclude us from being awarded one of the eight (8) standing offers in any of the Streams?

Answer 4:

See Answer 3.

Question 5:

For those responding to Stream B with regards to the security requirement, which requires Document Safeguarding at the Protected B level. We have done numerous online engagements with the government and have never required this level of security. Why is the government introducing this level of security now and would they not consider some leniency for those firms that might qualify for a standing offer in regards to this security threshold?

Answer 5:

It has been determined that Document Safeguarding at the protected B level is required for this Standing Offer. Please contact the Contracting Authority in order to get sponsored if your firm has not yet obtained this level; this will enable your firm to get the necessary paper work in process and obtain your security clearance.

Question 6:

We are considering responding to this RFSO but have concerns about the security level required, particularly for Stream B. Everything that we do is online. As companies do in our business, we have a hosting partner that has the Document Safeguarding clearances (it makes sense to us as the information is in their facility, not ours and this rational has been accepted in other government of Canada engagements). We assume that this would meet the criteria necessary, at least for Stream B.

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Answer 6:

No, both organizations must have the security requirements. Sub-Contractors will need to also obtain the required security requirements. The sub-contractor will not be permitted to proceed until they get prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC, therefore please contact the Contracting Authority in order to get your sub-contractors sponsored; this will enable your firm and your sub-contractors to get the necessary paper work in process and obtain their security clearance.

Question 7:

At Appendix "1", Sample Template Stream A, "Proposed Project Summary Sheet", the last row of the table does not seem relevant to a project summary sheet. Referring to the last row on page entitled "Understanding and Approach" deals with how the "Offeror understands GC requirements, processes and approaches"

This section in the table seems more like a generic question rather than one that pertains to a case summary of a past project. Can you please clarify?

Answer 7:

The " Proposed Project Summary Sheet " is a guide to better help Offerors answer all of the point rated technical criteria under Annex "D" – Technical and Financial Evaluation. With Stream A, there are 2 point rated criteria, one of which is the RA.1 Experience of the Firm and the second one is RA.2 Understanding and Approach.

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