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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.

Comments - Commentaires

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

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution
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11 Laurier St./11, rue Laurier
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Title - Sujet RELOCATION SERVICES	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation E60LM-110012/H	Amendment No. - N° modif. 008
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client E60LM-110012	Date 2014-05-02
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$ZL-109-27473	
File No. - N° de dossier 109zl.E60LM-110012	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2014-05-13	
Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT	
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Stephen, Renee	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur 109zl
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (819) 956-6973 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (819) 956-2675
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
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

Amendment 008 is raised to provide clarification and answers to received questions.

Question 1:

1) Several questions are duplicates of each other in Amendment #6. For example, Question 3 and Question 11 are the same and this occurs several times within the document.

Why did the PWGSC answer the same question multiple times in Amendment #6?

Answer 1:

We received similar questions from different suppliers in response to the RFP. To ensure that no questions are inadvertently overlooked and to demonstrate that all questions submitted by suppliers receive the same consideration, these questions are posted and responded to regardless of their similarity. This is standard practice.

Question 2:

2) The Government of Canada's response to Question 24 of Solicitation Amendment 006, asserts that proper training, and higher standards would reduce the risk of claims and negate the need for CPI adjustment of these expenses. In our experience, insurance premiums can rise at levels greater than the inflation for a number of reasons, well beyond the control of the contractor. This includes but is not limited to the general rise in the cost of replacement goods, increases in corporate taxes that reduce the insurance industry's earnings, increases in the frequency of claim incidences, increase in fraudulent claims, sustained low interest rate environments (bond market performance for liquidity reserves), natural disasters, terrorism or simply reductions in the number of insurance underwriters willing to provide household goods relocation coverage. The response provided in Amendment 6 Question 24 does not place consideration on these drivers of insurance premiums associated with the cost of providing service.

Will the Government of Canada consider these factors that impact the cost of providing RCP service and include the RCP and PMV RCP coverage in the CPI adjustment clause as they have traditionally been?

Answer 2:

In consultation with insurance groups Stats Canada, the Insurance Broker's Association of Canada and the Insurance Bureau of Canada, the rate for insurance even for a business is based upon track record of claims. The lower the claims rate, the lower the premium, independent of the cost of living. The answer to Question 24 in amendment 006 remains unchanged.

Question 3:

3) Rule 9 mentions that restricted firearms are inadmissible, are there firearms that are admissible and what are the shipper's responsibilities regarding these weapons?

Answer 3:

There are three classes of firearms:

<http://www.firearmstraining.ca/classes.htm> Unrestricted firearms are hunting rifles and some airguns.

The order-in-council has the complete list of restricted firearms

http://firearms-safety-course.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=arti

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Provincial and Territorial regulations also apply.

For a firearm that is unrestricted, the shipper is responsible for the preparation of the weapon:

The employees of a business that holds a Carrier Licence cannot, under any circumstances, handle firearms directly. A Carrier Licence (held by the van line) does not allow the business' employees to physically handle firearms because they are not required to be trained when it comes to handling firearms. They can only accept firearms that are pre-packaged by the shipper. In the case of businesses who move household goods and provide full service (packaging all household items), there is no exception. If a shipper has firearms, the business needs to ask the shipper to package the firearms them self in a sealed box. The safe storage rules still apply. A trigger lock is not enough, it needs to be pre-packaged in an opaque container and be sealed. The container should be identified and the information about the firearm(s) should be given to the movers (make, model & serial number). The business would then be advised that they are transporting firearms and take appropriate measures. This is part of the conditions of any Carrier Licence.

Question 4:

4) Table 9 – Warehouse Handling In/Out - Is the tabled rate to apply only once for both in and out, or twice (once for in and once for out)? It is important to determine the rate.

Answer 4:

As per Table 9 - Warehousing Handling in/Out, "All inclusive handling fees for each hundred pounds of material for each occurrence of being placed in or removed from a warehouse facility."

The bidder is to provide one rate for both warehouse handling in and out . This rate is applicable to each occurrence - once for in and once for out.

With regard to question 57, 59, and 60 in amendment 007, reference was made to amendment 004; this was clarified to mean RFI #4.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME