

ADVANCE CONTRACT AWARD NOTICE (ACAN)

1. Definition

An Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) allows departments and agencies to post a notice, for no less than fifteen (15) calendar days, indicating to the supplier community that it intends to award a good, service or construction contract to a pre-identified contractor. If no other supplier submits, on or before the closing date, a Statement of Capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the competitive requirements of the government's contracting policy have been met. Following notification to suppliers not successful in demonstrating that their Statement of Capabilities meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the contract may then be awarded using the Treasury Board's electronic bidding authorities.

If other potential suppliers submit Statement of Capabilities during the fifteen calendar day posting period, and meet the requirements set out in the ACAN, the department or agency must proceed to a full tendering process on either the government's electronic tendering service or through traditional means, in order to award the contract.

2. Definition of Requirements

Annual Maintenance, software updates and technical support for existing software previously purchased by NRCan.

3. Trade Agreements

The following Trade Agreements are applicable:

Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT)
World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP)
The Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement (CCFTA)
Canada - Colombia Free Trade Agreement and the Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA).
North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

4. Title to Intellectual property

There will be no resulting Intellectual property from this requirement

5. Contract Period

The approximate period of the contract will be from Contract award to May 31, 2015.

6. Estimated Cost

The estimated maximum value of the contract will not exceed \$102,135.93 (HST included).

7. Exception to the Government Contracts Regulations and applicable trade agreements

Sole Source Justification - Exception of the Government Contract Regulations (GCR) based on the following:

(d) only one person is capable of performing the contract

Under the Trade Agreements in Section #3 an entity may use limited tendering procedures in the following circumstances and subject to the following condition:

for works of art, reasons connected with protecting patents, copyrights, other exclusive rights, or proprietary information or where there is an absence for technical reasons, the goods or services can be supplied by a particular supplier and no reasonable alternative or substitute exists;

Geosoft Inc. is the sole seller of the Geosoft suite of Oasis montaj software within North America and holds the only software for maintenance and support that is compatible with our existing system purchased by NRCan therefore, no reasonable alternative or substitute exists.

8. Name and Address of the Proposed Contractor

Geosoft Inc.
207 Queens Quay West
Suite 810 PO Box 131
Toronto, Ontario
M5J 1A7

9. Inquiries on Submission of Statement of Capabilities

"Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the services/goods described herein, may submit a Statement of Capabilities in writing, preferably by e-mail, to the contact person identified in this Notice on or before the closing date and time of this Notice. The Statement of Capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements."

10. Closing Date

The closing date for submitting statements of capabilities is July 11th, 2014 at 1400 hours Eastern Standard Time (EST).

11. Contract Authority

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