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**Request for Proposals (RFP)
Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD)**

Questions and Answers 1 and 2

Please see questions 1 and 2 below, posed by a potential bidder, and their accompanying responses.

Q1: Page 22/35 states, "Demonstration that they currently and will, for the duration of the contract, maintain an office within the NCR."

How do you define the boundaries of the NCR, can you extend your definition to include the area of Casselman, ON as that is where my client is located.

A1: Please note that the boundaries for the NCR are those such that they are defined by the Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada and can be found at the following link: https://www.priv.gc.ca/empl/cont-20101217_rfp_e_e.asp.

Casselman, Ontario is not part of this region.

Q2: Page 23/25 states "Drivers must have a valid enhanced reliability security clearance at bid submission."

While our organization has a DOS reliability Clearance, each of our drivers may not. Is it possible to have this criteria changed to, "drivers must have a valid enhanced reliability security clearance as a condition of bid award"?

As it is not possible within the timeline of the RFP to have a uncleared driver get through the clearance process. Also all of our proposed drivers have at minimum a B license which requires them to not have a criminal record to obtain and maintain that license on a yearly basis.

A2: We cannot evaluate a proposal that would linger on a driver that "might" have a clearance scheduled on the project launch date therefore, a valid security clearance must be submitted at bid submission.