

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROCUREMENT (NPP)

Solicitation #: 15NL020
Closing Date: October 28, 2014 **Time:** 12:00 EDT

This requirement is for the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board

Title:

Scientific Literature Search services for the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board.

Introduction:

Since the mandate requires the review of the introductory price of any new drug product introduced on the Canadian market, the PMPRB requires the expertise of Drug Information Centres in terms of research of all scientific literature and the understanding of the place in therapy of the new product under review. As a result, the PMPRB is seeking to establish up to two (2) contracts for these services.

Estimated Value:

It is the intention of the PMPRB to establish up to two (2) contracts to fulfill this requirement. The total value of all contracts combined resulting from this RFP shall not exceed \$400,000.00, including travel and living expenses (if applicable), other expenses and all applicable taxes associated with the requirement over the one year period and the one (1) one (1) year option period. The individual value of each contract will be determined by the evaluation results of this Request for Proposal (RFP). It is estimated that the total number of medicines to review in a year is sixty-four (64), approximately 16 per quarter (May, September, November & February)

Ownership of Intellectual Property:

“Intellectual Property” (IP) includes patents, copyright, industrial design, integrated circuit design, topography, plant breeders’ rights, or any rights subject to protection under the law as trade secrets and confidential information. Current Treasury Board Policy on Title to Intellectual Property Arising Under Crown Procurement Contracts states that IP ownership developed under government contracts will remain with the Contractor.

Section 6 of the Policy states that Under the Crown Procurement Contract the Crown may own the Foreground for the following reason:

6.4 Where the main purpose of the Crown procurement contract, or the deliverables contracted for, is:

6.4.3 to deliver a component or subsystem that will be incorporated into a complete system at a later date (not necessarily by the original Contractor), as a prerequisite to the planned transfer of the complete system to the private sector (not necessarily to the original Contractor), through licensing or assignment of ownership, for the purposes of Commercial Exploitation.

Security Requirement:

It is a condition that, prior to performance of any obligation under any contract resulting from this RFP, the

Contractor and sub-contractors and their employees assigned to the performance of such contract will be security cleared by the federal government at the **enhanced reliability** level.

If the successful bidder does not have the required reliability level prior to performance of any obligation under any contract resulting from this RFP, the PMPRB will sponsor the security screening for the Contractor and sub-contractors and their employees assigned to the performance of such contract until it is obtained. The Contractor/Offeror must, at all times during the performance of the Contract/Standing Offer, **hold a valid Designated Organization Screening (DOS)**, issued by the Canadian Industrial Security Directorate (CISD), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).

The Contractor/Offeror personnel requiring access to PROTECTED information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must **EACH hold a valid RELIABILITY STATUS**, granted or approved by CISD/PWGSC.

The Contractor/Offeror **MUST NOT** remove any PROTECTED information or assets from the identified work site(s), and the Contractor/Offeror must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.

Subcontracts which contain security requirements are **NOT** to be awarded without the prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC.

The Contractor/Offeror must comply with the provisions of the:

- (a) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex A;
- (b) Industrial Security Manual (Latest Edition).

Mandatory Requirements:

M1 Bidder Experience: The Bidder must demonstrate that it has expertise and experience in the offering of the services relevant to the requirements of the RFP, provide some examples.
M2 Reporting: The Bidder must provide a report (using template provided in – Appendix B) in the prescribed information as stated in the RFP.
M3 Education: The Bidder must have accredited pharmacists who have experience in researching, analyzing and summarizing scientific literature.

All inquiries must be submitted in writing to the Chief, Administrative Services:

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