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ADDENDUM #1

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Energy Futures Report 2015**

Questions

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This notice is advise potential bidders of Addendum #1 for the above mentioned Request for Proposal.

Question #1:

How far back the historical data does have to be produced?

Answer:

The NEB's energy consumption model goes back to 1985, so that would be ideal. However, if there is data availability and/or quality concerns with going that far back, we will consider alternate proposals.

Question #2:

For what sectors specifically would you need the forecast for? (page 44).

Answer:

In the past we have received forecasts for GDP at the same level of detail as Gross Output (GO) requested elsewhere in the request for proposal. Beyond that, we will leave it to the bidder to describe what they can provide.

Question #3

Specifically what is the wage indicators are you looking for? (page 44)

Answer:

Personal disposable income is a key indicator used in the energy model. We will leave it to the bidder to decide what wage indicators are best included for a robust macroeconomic projection.

Question #4

What inputs are you interested in more specifically? And is this for Canada as a whole or are you looking for major purchased inputs by sector by province? (page 44).

Answer:

Detail at the provincial level is appreciated, but overall we will let the bidder recommend the appropriate level of detail necessary for macroeconomic projections that accurately reflect economic interactions.

Question #5

Question: Are you looking at tax (corporate, personal and indirect) data from Statistics Canada Provincial Economics Accounts or from the public accounts? (page 44)

Answer:

Beyond tax rates for energy products, these are not fed directly into the energy model, so we will let the bidder recommend the appropriate level of detail in order to supply the macroeconomic projections.

Question #6

On the same page, in the industrial detail, there are NAICS codes in parenthesis, are you looking at obtaining a forecast for each of the NAICS codes separately or the aggregate would be sufficient? For example for *Chemicals and Fertilizer Manufacturing (NAICS 3251 and NAICS 3253)*, would you be looking at a forecast for 3251 and also 3253 or just one for the total? (page 44).

Answer:

Aggregate is sufficient.

Question # 7

Are you looking for the commercial floor space stock data? Would it be possible to know where we can obtain the historical data for commercial floor space by sector by province or is this data that the NEB will be providing? (page 44)

Commercial floor space data, by sector and by province, can be found on Natural Resource Canada's National End Use Database (NEUD), in the Comprehensive Energy Use Database Tables. These are currently only published to 2011, and the NEB can provide the data up to that point.

Question #8

Question: How long does the report have to be (number of pages or word count)? Is it a report with charts and tables? (page 45)

Answer:

These reports will be used for NEB staff to be able to understand and communicate (internally and externally) the key macroeconomic trends in the projection. So, this will to some degree be up to the successful bidder's discretion, but a ballpark page count of 10-30 pages seems reasonable, including charts and key tables (large data tables are not required in this report, as the data will be provided directly).