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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT

The referenced document is hereby amended: unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the contract remain the same.

Comments:

Signed copy of this amendment is to accompany each tender.

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Title : Phase III Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)/Gap Analysis and Preliminary Quantitative Risk Assessment at Elk Island National park Sewage Lagoons – Fort Saskatchewan, AB		
Solicitation No.: 5P420-14-5112/A	Amendment No. : 02	Date: November 7, 2014
GETS Reference No. : PW-14-00659325		
Solicitation Closes :		
At: 02:00 PM	On : November 18, 2014	Time Zone : Mountain Standard Time (MST)
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BIDDER (type or print) We hereby acknowledge receipt of the amended instructions and confirm that provisions therefore have been made in our bid	
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This amendment number two (02) is raised to:

- A). Extend the Solicitation Closing date – see Request for Proposal coverage and;**
- B). Provide answers to the bidder questions set out below:**

A). Extend the Solicitation Closing date – see Request for Proposal coverage under Solicitation Closes

Delete: November 18, 2014

Insert: November 25, 2014

B). Provide answers to the bidder questions set out below:

Question #1.

“We were wondering if we can obtain copies of the reports listed in the background section so we can project the scope of work for the Phase III ESA. With that said we would like an extension until November 25 in order to review this information and prepare a scope of work that will enable us to fully complete the required program.”

Answer #1:

A copy of the Elk Island Sewage Lagoon Supplemental Site Investigation Report dated August 2014, prepared by RMC Environmental Sciences Group will be distributed to all bidders. An extension of November 25th, 2014 will be granted. Please keep in mind that all final deliverables for the project will firm dates ie. final deadline for final report is March 31st, 2015.

Question #2.

“For Benthic sampling we are also concerned with ice conditions. If the ice isn’t thick enough safety can be a big issue, spring and summer are more ideal for this type of sampling. Is there any contingency for this and/or removal from the program for weather conditions?”

Answer #2.

Benthic sampling will remain included and there is no contingency for removing it from the program. The ice will not be an issue as safety tools and equipment can be used for this task, and the areas for benthic sampling are shallow.

Question #3.

“Lastly with further field work being required Alberta One Call is really far behind on locate requests given that the TOR is due November 18th and if awarded by the end of the week utility locates would be placed for the earliest November 26th. Currently locates are taking 2-3 weeks at a minimum to complete and we have run into situations where they have taken longer. This means that there would be no way to complete the field work by December 5, 2014. Just wondering how flexible the time line is for this project.”



Answer #3:

Timelines for the field work are flexible but contractors are expected to plan accordingly for the final report to be submitted by no later than March 31st, 2015. It is recommended that utility locates are booked as soon as possible and canceled if the contractor is not successful in contract award.

Question #4.

“I have read through the Phase II ESA completed by the Royal Military College and it states that monitoring wells will be installed in March. Do we have any data from these monitoring wells?”

Answer #4:

Data from these monitoring wells is included in the Elk Island Sewage Lagoon Supplemental Site Investigation Report dated August 2014, prepared by RMC Environmental Sciences Group, which will be distributed to all bidders.

Question #5.

“Conducting benthic and surface water sampling in late November and early December is expected to result in data with potentially limited value, given the water flows typical for this time of year. Data collected in this period may not be representative of site conditions and may therefore result in subsequent risk assessment results that also have limited value. This is also combined with potential logistical and safety challenges related to working on the water during cold temperatures, and the potential for ice. Would Parks Canada consider doing the gap analysis in December (and potentially some soil and groundwater sampling) with benthic and surface water sampling in the spring? “

Answer #5:

Benthic and surface water sampling will remain included as part of the program and there is no contingency for removing it from the program. The ice will not be an issue as safety tools and equipment can be used for this task, and the areas for benthic and surface water sampling are shallow. All work must be conducted with a final report submitted no later than March 31st, 2015.

Question #6.

“What is the end goal for remediation efforts? What will the end land use be for the area?”

Answer #6:

The end goal for remediation efforts is to remove or reduce risk to humans, wildlife and the environment from the effects of the lagoon contaminants to acceptable levels deemed by regulators and custodians of the site. The end use will remain the same as it is today, sewage lagoons. The lagoons may require upgrades and/or new treatment technology added to their process systems.



Question #7.

“The solicitation requests a firm price bid, but also indicates a process for notifying Parks Canada of potential budget changes. Can you clarify? Would inclement weather or changing field conditions be grounds for a change of scope authorization?”

Answer #7:

Potential budget changes would include scope revisions outside of the current scope items. Inclement weather or changing field conditions would not be grounds for scope changes. These conditions are encountered daily and are to be expected in any field program, the contractor is expected to be versatile and be able to mitigate these risks within reason based on their experience.

Question #8

“The requested gap analysis may identify items that warrant attention during the Phase III ESA. Can we assume that a change of scope authorization would be considered upon completion of the gap analysis, in the event that additional efforts are warranted to bridge these gaps?”

Answer #8:

Yes, a change of scope authorization would be warranted in such circumstances as new information is revealed during the gap analysis. The change of scope authorization will be reviewed and authorized based on value to the program.

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