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AMENDMENT NO. 002

This amendment is raised to answer Bidders' questions.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q8.   In reference to Programmer/Analyst Level 3 M3.7.4, and Application Software Architect Level 3 M3.6.4, please consider the following:

Due to the fact that the CCPS is developed and maintained with VisualAge Pacbase CSSD, the knowledge of other system architectural tools would prove to be irrelevant in trying to change or maintain the current system. Because VisualAge Pacbase CSSD is very difficult to learn and new resources in these categories will have a very short amount of time to learn it, it only makes sense that they need to know it upon contract start date; as such, we are requesting that the crown consider adding the VisualAge Pacbase CSSD requirement into the mandatory criteria.

A8.   There will be no change to the requirement. The current mandatory and rated criteria provide a sufficient measure of qualification of proposed resources for Programmer/Analyst Level 3 M3.7.4, and Application Software Architect Level 3 M3.6.4.

Q9.   Pacbase CSSD is a CASE tool which is used by this project for more than system architecture. In addition to system architecture, the tool is used for system functional and technical specifications, development of the database, and programming.

In order for the functionality and use of Pacbase CSSD to be accurately reflected, we suggest that M3.7.4 be changed to:

"Minimum eight years of experience in programming with IBM Pacbase CSSD *or other mainframe CASE* tool."

A9.   There will be no change to the requirement. The current mandatory and rated criteria provide a sufficient measure of qualification of proposed resources.

Q10.   Ref: RFP Part 7 - Resulting Contract Clauses, 7.26 states, in part: "**The transition must be complete by no later than 10 working days after the Contract is awarded**" and Attachment 4.1 Bid Evaluation Criteria, Workstream 1 - Development Services, 3.0 Resources - Mandatory Criteria, Application Software Architect Level 3 M3.6.4, and Programmer/Analyst Level 3 M3.7.4, which both require "**experience with the IBM Pacbase language or other system architecture tool**;"

The CCPS uses IBM Pacbase which is developed and maintained with its own unique proprietary language called VisualAge Pacbase. The IBM VisualAge Pacbase is a very difficult language to learn. It is not probable that a resource could learn it and become sufficiently competent to support and maintain DND's critical pay and pension system, CCPS, before transition must be completed, which is 10 days after contract award (RFP 7.26). Thus *experience with other system architectural tools* is not transferable to the maintenance of the Client Server System Development (CSSD) currently in IBM Pacbase. There is a risk under the current criteria that a bidder may win who intends to supply resources who meet this mandatory requirement using *experience with other architectural tool* rather than IBM Pacbase. If such a bidder won the contract, then DND and the CCPS would be exposed to a high risks of a) inability of the contractor to meet the 10 day transition in 7.26; and, more importantly, b) inability of the

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contractor to maintain and develop the CCPS. To avoid these risks, would Canada please remove the phrase "**or other system architecture tool**" from M3.6.4 and 3.7.4?   This would ensure that the resources submitted would have the necessary experience in the IBM Pacbase language to support and develop DND's CCPS.

A10. There will be no change to the requirement. The current mandatory and rated criteria provide a sufficient measure of qualification of proposed resources for Application Software Architect Level 3 M3.6.4, and Programmer/Analyst Level 3 M3.7.4.

Q11. Is there someone currently, or has there been someone in the past providing similar or relevant services? If yes, who has been providing these services, what is (or was) the contract value and what is (or was) the duration of the contract (including any extensions), and are they allowed to bid on this opportunity?

A11. See Solicitation Amd. No. 001 A1. Supply Arrangement Holders currently holding a TBIPS SA for Tier 2 in the National Capital Region under the EN578-055605/E series of SAs are qualified to submit a bid for this opportunity.

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