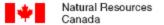
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBE	R: NRCan-5000015328			
TITLE:	Technical advice, consultation and support for Implementation of ESRI Parcel Editor.			
DATE OF SOLICITATION:	30 December 2014 (Eastern Standard EST)			
SOLICITATION CLOSING DATE ATTEME:	DATE AND 15 January 2015 at 10:00 A.M. (Eastern Standard EST)			
Address Inquiries To Contracting Authority:	Serge Tshimanga Natural Resources Canada Procurement Specialist Email: Serge.Tshimanga@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca			
SECURITY:	There is no security requirement associated with this solicitation.			
SEND PROPOSAL TO:	Email: Serge.Tshimanga@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca			
VENDOR/FIRM NAME AND FULL PO	OSTAL ADDRESS (PLEASE PRINT):			
CONTACT/TELEPHONE/FAX/EMAIL	Address:			
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON AUT	HORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF BIDDER (PLEASE PRINT):			
PROPOSAL TO: NATURAL RESOU	RCES CANADA			
We hereby offer to sell to Her M	ajesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and do not be herein or attached hereto and on any attached sheets at the price(s)			

_Date_____

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm:



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

FOR

Technical advice, consultation and support for Implementation of ESRI Parcel Editor

For

NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA (NRCAN)

A "Request for Proposal" (RFP) is the solicitation document used to seek proposals or bids from suppliers. The term "Bidder", also called the "Offeror", refers to the potential supplier submitting a proposal or a bid. The Bidder submitting a proposal may, however, consist of several firms putting one proposal together as a joint venture. In the case of a joint venture, the combined experience of the firms forming the joint venture will be considered for the purposes of determining the Bidders' compliance to the Mandatory and Rated Requirements.

Wherever the words "Proposal" or 'Bid' appear in this document", each shall be taken to mean the same as the other.

The MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS of this RFP are identified specifically with the words "MANDATORY", "MUST", "ESSENTIAL", SHALL", "WILL", "IT IS REQUIRED", AND "REQUIRED". IF a MANDATORY REQUIREMENT is not complied with, the proposal will be considered NON-RESPONSIVE and will not receive any further consideration. In the context of this RFP, Non-Responsive, Non-Compliant and Non-Valid shall each be taken to mean the same as the other.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS: The following documents are enclosed and form part of this bid package:

RFP # NRCan-5000015328, including all Parts, Appendices and Annexes as listed in the Table of Contents below.

The Bidder acknowledges that all of the aforementioned documents were received in its bid package. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to verify the inclusion of all documents, and to obtain copies of any missing items by contacting the Contracting Authority (CA) as identified on Page 1 of this RFP. Failure to obtain any missing document(s) shall not relieve the Bidder from compliance with any obligation imposed by the RFP, nor excuse the Bidder from the guidelines set out therein.

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PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

The bid solicitation is divided into four (4) parts plus Annexes as follows:

Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;

Part 2 Bidder Instructions: provides the instructions, clauses and conditions applicable to the bid solicitation;

Part 3 Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria that must be addressed in the bid, if applicable, and the basis of selection;

Part 4 Resulting Contract Clauses: includes the clauses and conditions that will apply to any resulting contract.

The Annexes include the Statement of Work, the Financial Proposal, Technical Evaluation Criteria, Certifications, Potential Bidders and any other annexes.

2. Summary

By means of this RFP, NRCan is seeking proposals from bidders for the provision of ESRI Parcel Editor technical support, advice and consultation on an "as and when requested" basis.

The period of the contract shall be from award to 31 March 2016 (See terms of the resulting contract in section 3 of Part 4).

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

1. STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS, CLAUSES AND CONDITIONS

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual</u> (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements 2003 (2014-09-24) are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation with the modifications to the text below. If there is a conflict between the provisions of 2003 and this document, this document prevails.

- In the complete text content (except Section 3): delete "Public Works and Government Services Canada" and insert "Natural Resources Canada". Delete "PWGSC" and insert "NRCan".
- Under Subsection 4 and 5 of Section 1 Code of Conduct and Certifications: *delete* in its entirety
- In section 2: delete "Canadian suppliers are required to" and insert "It is suggested that Canadian suppliers"
- Under subsection 4 of Section 5 Submission of Bids: *delete* "sixty (60) days" and *insert* "ninety (90) days"

- Under Subsection 1 of Section 8 Transmission by Facsimile: delete "819-997-9776" and insert "613-995-2920"
- Under Subsection 2 of Section 20: not applicable.

2. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

It is the Bidders responsibility to ensure that proposals are delivered to the Contracting Authority, by the time and date indicated on page 1 of this RFP document. **NRCan will not assume responsibility for proposals directed to any other location.**

The onus is on the Bidder to ensure that the proposal is delivered as instructed. Not complying with the above instructions may result in NRCan's inability to ascertain reception date and/or to consider the bid prior to contract award. Therefore, NRCan reserves the right to reject any proposal not complying with these instructions.

Bids transmitted by facsimile to NRCan will not be accepted.

3. ENQUIRIES - BID SOLICITATION

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than **five (5)** calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a "proprietary" nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as proprietary will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

To comply with the <u>Code of Conduct for Procurement</u>, bidders are obliged to alert the contracting authority to any factual errors that they discover in bid solicitations.

4. SECURITY REQUIREMENT

There is no security requirement associated with this solicitation.

5. BIDDER FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

The Bidder may be required to provide, prior to contract award, specific information with respect to their legal and financial status, and their technical and financial capability to satisfy the requirements as stipulated in this RFP. If requested, financial information to be provided shall include, but not be limited to, the Bidder's most recent audited financial statements or financial statements certified by the Bidder's chief financial officer. Information requested by NRCan is to be provided by the Bidder as stipulated in the request by the Contracting Authority.

Should the Bidder provide the requested information to Canada in confidence, while indicating that the disclosed information is confidential, Canada will then treat the information in a confidential manner as provided in the Access to Information Act.

In the event that a proposal is found to be non-responsive on the basis that the Bidder is considered not to be financially capable of performing the subject requirements, official notification shall be provided to the Bidder by NRCan.

6. APPLICABLE LAWS

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the bidders.

7. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Any information, data and/or Intellectual Property which is provided in a proposal and is demonstrably proprietary to a Bidder, shall be so identified specifically (by paragraph, table, figure) in the proposal, and Natural Resources Canada will endeavor to protect such proprietary information, data and/or Intellectual Property in accordance with the laws of Canada and its normal policies, regulations and procedures. Any financial data and information provided by Bidders for the purpose of this RFP will be treated as "Commercially Confidential" and kept in confidence by Natural Resources Canada unless expressly stated otherwise in this RFP. Such information will not be disclosed, in whole or in part, except on a need-to-know basis for the specific purpose of proposal evaluation and for the activities related to the process of contract award, as applicable. Unless it is required to do so by law, NRCan will not divulge such data and/or information to any third party.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

If NRCan determines the successful Bidder to be in a possible conflict of interest situation, the Bidder will be required, prior to entering into a contractual relationship with NRCan, to disclose any and all holdings and activities that could possibly be in a conflict, real or perceivable, with the mandate and objectives of NRCan. In the event that NRCan decides that action is necessary in order to remove such a conflict, the successful Bidder will be required to take such action (which may include divestiture of certain assets or ceasing to perform certain activities) prior to entering into a contractual relationship with NRCan.

9. Basis for Canada's Ownership of Intellectual Property

The contract will not result in the development of any intellectual property.

10. BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

It is requested that bidders provide their bid in separately bound files as follows:

File I: Technical Bid and completed page 1 of the RFP Document.

File II: Financial Bid - Prices related to the current solicitation must appear in the financial bid only and are not to be indicated in any other section of the bid; prices referenced in the financial bid should not to be repeated in any other section of the bid.

File III: Certifications

No payment shall be made for costs incurred by the Bidder in the preparation and submission of a proposal in response to this RFP.

All fees, associated with the transfer of data or of all documents as may be required by NRCan as part of the solicitation process, are the responsibility of the Bidder. No costs incurred by the Bidder before receipt of a

signed contract or specified written authorization from the Contracting Authority can be charged to any resulting contract.

Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they will meet these requirements. Bidders must demonstrate their capability in a thorough, concise and clear manner for successfully carrying out the work as described in the Annex "A" – Statement of Work".

Bidders must respond to government bid solicitations in an honest, fair and comprehensive manner, accurately reflect their capacity to satisfy the requirements stipulated in the bid or contract documents, and submit bids and enter into contracts only if they will fulfill all obligations of the contract.

The technical bid should address clearly and in sufficient depth the points that are subject to the evaluation criteria against which the bid will be evaluated. Simply repeating the statement contained in the bid solicitation is not sufficient and may result in a loss of points. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that bidders address and present topics in the order of the evaluation criteria under the same headings. To avoid duplication, bidders may refer to different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.

It is the responsibility of the Bidder to obtain clarification of the requirements contained in the RFP, if necessary, prior to submitting a proposal. The Bidder must provide sufficient details in its proposal to substantiate compliance with what is required; all professional experience must be fully documented and substantiated in the proposal(s).

In the event of a proposal submitted through contractual joint venture, the proposal shall either be signed by all members of the joint venture or a statement shall be provided to the effect that the signatory represents all parties of the joint venture. (All members of the joint venture shall be jointly and severally or solidarily liable for the performance of any resulting contract awarded as a result of a joint venture.)

Page 1 of the RFP Document

It is mandatory that all bidders sign their submitted proposal. It is requested that all bidders complete, sign and date Page 1 of this RFP (including the name of the submitting organization, the name of the authorized signing person, appropriate addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers and business contact) prior to submitting their proposal. As the signature indicates a clear acceptance of the terms and conditions set out in the RFP, it is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that the signatory has the authority within its organization to commit the Bidder by making such a contractual offer.

As per article 1 of Part 2, the Bidder hereby agrees, by submitting his/her proposal in response to this RFP, to all the instructions, terms, conditions and clauses detailed herein.

Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with Annex "C"- Financial Proposal. The total amount of Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax must be shown separately, if applicable.

All bids are evaluated in Canadian currency. Therefore, for evaluation purposes, the noon rate quoted by the Bank of Canada as being in effect on date of bid closing will be applied as the initial conversion factor for the specified currency.

Canada will pay the exchange rate adjustment amount in Canadian currency using the prevailing noon rate on the date of payment by Canada.

14.4 Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications as per Annex "D".

PART 3 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

1. EVALUATION PROCEDURES

- (a) Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria and in conjunction with Annex "A" Statement of Work;
- (b) If the Bidder is deemed non-responsive as a result of evaluation, the bid will be set aside and not considered for contract award.
- (c) The proposed successful bidder will be determined in accordance with the contractor selection method stated in this Part.
- (d) All proposals shall be treated as CONFIDENTIAL and will be made available only to those individuals authorized to participate in the evaluation process. All bidders will be subject to the terms of the *Access to Information Act* and to other applicable law or orders of courts or other tribunals having jurisdiction.
- (e) An evaluation team will evaluate the proposals on behalf of NRCan. While the evaluation team will normally be comprised of representatives of NRCan, it *may* also include representatives from other Government Departments and Agencies or third party participants as selected by NRCan.

2. RIGHTS OF NRCAN

NRCan reserves the right to:

- seek clarification or obtain verification of statements made in a proposal;
- reject any or all proposals received in response the bid solicitation;
- enter into negotiations with bidders on any or all aspects of their proposal;
- accept any proposal in whole or in part without prior negotiation;
- cancel the bid solicitation at any time;
- reissue the bid solicitation;
- verify any or all information provided by the Bidder with respect to the solicitation including references;
- retain all proposals submitted in response to the solicitation;
- declare a proposal non-responsive if NRCan determines during the evaluation phase that the Bidder does not have the legal status, the facilities or the technical, financial and/or managerial capabilities to fulfill the requirements stated herein;
- discontinue the evaluation of any proposal which is determined, at any stage of the evaluation process, to be non-responsive.

3. BASIS OF SELECTION

Only those bids that are deemed to be responsive (compliant) will be evaluated under the basis of selection:

Highest Combined Rating of Technical Merit and Price

The responsive (compliant) Bidder with the highest combined rating of technical merit (60%) and price (40%) will be recommended for award of a contract. See the following example table below.

	Bidder 1	Bidder 2	Bidder 3
Technical Points Achieved by Bidder	88	82	76
Bidder Total tendered price	\$35000	\$40000	\$30000
	CALCULA	ATIONS	
	Technical Points Achieved	Rated Price Points Achieved	Total Points Achieved
Bidder 1	88 X 60 = 60.00	**30000 X 40 = 34.29 35000	94.29
Bidder 2	82 X 60 = 59.91 *88	**30000 X 40 = 30.00 40000	89.91
Bidder 3	<u>76</u> X 60 = 51.82 *88	**30000 X 40 = 40.00	91.82

Assumption: Three responsive (compliant) bids have been received. The maximum technical score that can be obtained is 100 points. The highest technical score and lowest bid price receive full rated percentage and other proposals are pro-rated accordingly.

The winner is the Bidder scoring the highest Total Points as a result of applying the Best Value Calculations to the technical bid and the bid price respectively. Based on the above calculations a contract would be awarded to Bidder 1.

4. SOLE BID - PRICE SUPPORT

In the event that the Bidder's proposal is the sole bid received and is deemed responsive, NRCan may request one or more of the following as acceptable price support:

- a) Current published price list indicating the percentage discount available to the federal government;
 and/or
- b) Paid invoices for like services sold to other customers; and/or
- c) A price certification statement; and/or
- d) Any other supporting documentation as requested.

5. CONTRACT AWARD NOTICE/ BIDDER PROPOSAL EVALUATION DEBRIEFING

A Contract Award Notice (CAN) will be prepared and published on the Government Electronic Tendering Service (GETS) hosted by Public Works and Government Services Canada's website https://buyandsell.gc.ca/ within seventy-two (72) days after award of any contract. Bidders may request and receive a de-briefing provided that a written request is received by e-mail at Serge.Tshimanga@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the published date of the CAN.

Bidders are requested to direct any additional questions they may have respecting this competitive bid process to the Contracting Authority detailed herein.

The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO) was established by the Government of Canada to provide an independent avenue for suppliers to raise complaints regarding the award of contracts under \$25,000 for goods and under \$100,000 for services. You have the option of raising issues or concerns regarding the solicitation, or the award resulting from it, with the OPO by contacting them by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at boa.opo.gc.ca. You can also obtain more information on the OPO services available to you at their website at www.opo-boa.gc.ca.

PART 4 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

1. STATEMENT OF WORK

The Contractor must perform the	Work in accordance	with the Stateme	ent of Work at A	nnex "A" ar	nd the
Contractor's technical bid entitled	, dated	(To be com	pleted at contra	ict award)	

2. PRIORITY OF DOCUMENTS

If there is a discrepancy between the wordings of any document that appears on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) The Articles of Agreement;
- (b) The General Conditions General Conditions Professional Services Medium Complexity 2010B (2014-09-25);
- (c) Intellectual Property
- (d) The supplemental general conditions identified herein;
- (e) Annex "A", Statement of Work;
- (f) Annex "B", Basis of Payment; (to be included at contract award)
- (g) The Contractor's bid dated _____ (insert date of bid)

3. Term of Contract

3.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is from date of Contract award to 31 March 2016 inclusive.

3.2 Contract Amount

Subject to the terms and conditions of this contract and in consideration for the performance of the work, Her Majesty shall pay to the Contractor a sum not to exceed \$ 55,000.00 (including travel but not GST/HST if applicable).

In accordance with Section 33 of the Financial Administration Act, payment under the contract is subject to there being an appropriation for the particular service for the fiscal year in which any commitment hereunder would come in course of payment.

3.3 Option

The Contractor grants to NRCan the irrevocable option to increase the Contract Amount up to \$100,000.00 for additional work related, under the same terms and conditions and at the prices and/or rates stated in the contract.

The options may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority, at the request of the Project Authority, and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment at any time during the contract period.

4. Standard Clauses and Conditions

Notwithstanding that they have not been expressly articulated, all clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are applicable and are set out in the <u>Standard Acquisition Clauses and</u>

<u>Conditions Manual</u> (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

4.1 General Conditions

General Conditions - Professional Services - Medium Complexity 2010B (2014-09-25) apply to and form part of the Contract with the modifications to the text below. If there is a conflict between the provisions of 2010B and this document, this document prevails.

- As applicable, replace references to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan).

4.2 Insurance

The Contractor is responsible for deciding if insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the Contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any insurance acquired or maintained by the Contractor is at its own expense and for its own benefit and protection. It does not release the Contractor from or reduce its liability under the Contract.

4.3 Intellectual Property

The contract will not result in the development of any intellectual property.

4.4 Supplemental General Conditions

The following clauses apply to this contract:

4.4.1 Dispute Resolution

Mediation

If a dispute arising from this contract cannot be settled amicably through negotiation, then the parties agree in good faith to submit the dispute to mediation as administered by the Arbitration and Mediation Institute of Canada Inc. (AMIC). The parties acknowledge receipt of the rules of AMIC. The cost of mediation shall be borne equally by the parties.

Arbitration

If the parties cannot resolve the dispute through mediation within sixty (60) days, the parties agree to submit the dispute to arbitration pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Act (Canada). The party requesting such arbitration shall do so by written notice to the other party/parties. The cost of the arbitration and fees of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the parties. The arbitration shall take place in the city where the contractor carries on business before a single arbitrator to be chosen jointly by the parties. If the parties cannot agree on the choice of arbitrator within thirty (30) days of written notice to submit the dispute to arbitration, each party will choose a representative who will select the arbitrator.

The parties may determine the procedure to be followed by the arbitrator in conducting the proceedings, or may ask the arbitrator to do so. The arbitrator shall issue a written award within thirty (30) days of hearing the parties. The award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction and enforced as a judgment of that court.

Meaning of "Dispute"

The parties agree that the word "dispute" in this clause refers to a dispute of fact or of law, other than a dispute of public law.

Organizations are encouraged to select from one of the following two options:

Option 1: The parties understand that the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act will, on request or consent of the parties to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process to resolve any dispute between the parties respecting the interpretation or application of a term and condition of this contract and their consent to bear the cost of such process, provide to the parties a proposal for an alternative dispute resolution process to resolve their dispute. The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca.

Option 2: Each party hereby:

- a) consents to fully participate in and bear the cost of any dispute resolution process proposed by the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act to resolve a dispute between the parties respecting the interpretation or application of a term or condition this contract; and
- agrees that this provision shall, for purposes of section 23 of the Procurement Ombudsman Regulations, constitute such party's agreement to participate in and bear the cost of such process.

The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at boa.opo.@boa.opo.gc.ca.

4.4.2 Values and Ethics Code

In carrying out the Work under the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Contractor shall adhere to the provisions and practices of the Values and Ethics Code for the Public service (2003), namely, but not restricted to, the provisions pertaining to Respect for Diversity, Human Dignity and People Values. The following link provides the policy reference. http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pubs_pol/hrpubs/tb_851/vec-cve-eng.asp

4.4.3 Closure of Government Offices

Contractor employees are personnel of the Contractor and are paid by the Contractor on the basis of services rendered. Where Contractor's employees are providing services on government premises pursuant to this contract and the said premises become non-accessible due to evacuation or closure of government offices and consequently no work is being performed as a result of the closure, Canada will not be liable for payment to the Contractor for the period of the closure.

5. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement associated with this solicitation.

6. AUTHORITIES

6.1 Contracting Authority (To be completed at contract award)

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name:	
Title:	_
Organization:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
F-mail address:	

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

6.2 Project Authority (To be completed at contract award)

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The	Project Autho	rity for the Contract is:
Title:	e:	
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out u the C has r	inder the Con Contract. Tec no authority to	rity is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried tract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under hnical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority; however, the Project Authority a authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.
7.	PAYMENT	
7.1	Basis of Pa	ayment (To be completed at contract award)
Limi	tation of Exp	enditure
1.		tal liability to the Contractor under the Contract must not exceed \$, Goods and x or Harmonized Sales Tax is extra, if applicable.
2.	changes, me these design Contracting work or prov the written a	in the total liability of Canada or in the price of the Work resulting from any design odifications or interpretations of the Work, will be authorized or paid to the Contractor unless a changes, modifications or interpretations have been approved, in writing, by the Authority before their incorporation into the Work. The Contractor must not perform any vide any service that would result in Canada's total liability being exceeded before obtaining approval of the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority in the adequacy of this sum:
	(a)	when it is 75 percent committed, or
	(b)	four (4) months before the contract expiry date, or

whichever comes first.

the completion of the Work,

3. If the notification is for inadequate contract funds, the Contractor must provide to the Contracting Authority a written estimate for the additional funds required. Provision of such information by the Contractor does not increase Canada's liability.

(c) as soon as the Contractor considers that the contract funds provided are inadequate for

7.2 Method of Payment

Against invoices submitted monthly for charges incurred and in accordance with the Basis of Payment and certification by the Project Authority that work performance was satisfactory and acceptable.

Payment by Her Majesty, to the contractor, for the work shall be made within thirty (30) days following the delivery and acceptance of all deliverables specified in the contract or the date of receipt of a duly completed invoice, whichever date is the later.

Payment by Canada for the Work will be made following delivery, inspection and acceptance of the Work, and upon presentation of invoices and any other substantiating documentation as Canada requires.

7.3 Time Verification

Time charged and the accuracy of the Contractor's time recording system are subject to verification by Canada, before or after payment is made to the Contractor. If verification is done after payment, the Contractor must repay any overpayment, at Canada's request.

7.4 Firm Per Diem Rate(s) (also known as daily rate)

The Firm Per Diem Rate(s) is based on 7.5 hours (seven hours and 30 minutes) exclusive of meal breaks with no provision for annual leave, statutory holidays and sick leave. For work performed for a duration of more or less than one (1) day, the daily rate will be prorated accordingly to cover actual time worked.

The Per Diem Rate(s) is 'all inclusive' except for travel expenses on project business outside the National Capital Region (that is pre-approved by the NRCan Project Authority), and GST. Charges for expenses which are normally incurred in the provision of services, such as labour for conducting negotiations and providing estimates, resolving contract disputes, tracking time sheets, monthly invoicing, facsimile, copying/printing charges, office supplies, computer hardware and software charges, courier, long distance telephone charges, travel from a personal residence to the NRCan site in the National Capital Region, local travel and the like, must be included in the rates and will not be permitted as additional charges to the contract.

7.5 Pre-Authorized Travel and Living Expenses

The Contractor will be paid for pre-authorized reasonable and proper travel and living expenses incurred by personnel directly engaged in the performance of the work, supported by appropriate receipts and calculated in accordance with the then current National Joint Council Directive on Travel and Living Expenses, (website: http://www.njc-cnm.gc.ca/directive/travel-voyage/index-eng.php) without allowance thereon for overhead or profit. All payments are subject to government audit. **All travel must have prior authorization of the Project Authority.**

7.6 Miscellaneous Expenses

The Contractor will be paid for pre-authorized reasonable and proper miscellaneous expenses supported by appropriate receipts at actual cost without allowance thereon for overhead or profit. All miscellaneous expenses must have prior authorization of the Project Authority.

8. Invoicing Instructions

Invoices shall be submitted using one of the following methods:

E-mail: OR Fax:

Invoicing@NRCan.gc.ca Local NCR region: 613-947-0987

Toll-free: 1-877-947-0987

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Note:
Use highest quality settings available.

Please do not submit invoices using more than one method as this will not expedite payment.

Invoices and all documents relating to a contract must be submitted on the Contractor's own form and shall bear the following reference numbers:

Contract number:	
Contract number.	

9. CERTIFICATIONS

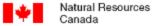
Compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the term of the Contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification or it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

10. APPLICABLE LAWS

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in ______. (To be completed at contract award)

11. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

The parties understand that the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act will review a complaint filed by [the supplier or the contractor or the name of the entity awarded this contract] respecting administration of this contract if the requirements of Subsection 22.2(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act and Sections 15 and 16 of the Procurement Ombudsman Regulations have been met, and the interpretation and application of the terms and conditions and the scope of the work of this contract are not in dispute. The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca.



ANNEX A - STATEMENT OF WORK

SW1 Background

In April 2014, the Surveyor General Branch (SGB) initiated a project to implement the ESRI Parcel Editor Product within the existing Integrated Cadastral Management (ICM) system environment to allow collection and management of measurement information and modifying business processes to perform systematic adjustments of the datasets to improve relative and absolute accuracy.

The project scope includes:

- o The development of a new ICM Parcel Editor data structure for the
 - Collection and management of original measurement and coordinate information;
 - o Management of quality information for parcels, boundaries and monuments;
 - Management of spatial corrections to apply to various layers associated to the parcel fabric; and
 - Redesigning SGB custom applications which are directly impacted by the new data structure.
- Conversion of ICM datasets to the new Parcel Editor environment
 - Assignment of initial measurements to each and every parcel boundary;
 - Review and correction of boundary data types and topological relationships between parcels, boundaries and monuments;
 - Collection of control points and connection lines; and
 - Alignment of features from various layers with the main parcel fabric.
- o Implementation of improved dataset updating and adjustment processes
 - New process to integrate and preserve original measurement directly from digital spatial file submitted by surveyors;
 - New standardized and systematic approach to perform least square adjustment and analyse results of dataset adjustments.

SGB's Parcel Editor Project is scheduled to be completed by March 2016.

SGB requires an ESRI Parcel Editor Expert to provide technical support, advice and consultation in completing the implementation of Parcel Editor Product within SGB over the next 15 months.

SW2 Objective

The goal of this contract is to provide ESRI Parcel Editor technical support, advice and consultation in the areas of:

- o Parcel Editor Customized Application development;
- Parcel Editor Data Editing Business Processes;
- o Parcel Editor Data Adjustment Business Processes; and
- Parcel Editor Data Conversion.

The specific objectives of this contract are:

2.1 ESRI Parcel Editor Customized Application Development

- Support in properly formatting a Cadastral XML
- CAD to XML converter using the Cadastral XML
- Review information gaps between 2007 documentation and recent Parcel Editor versions (ArcGIS 10.2)
- o Formulate and better articulate recommendations to ESRI development team
- Review and improve the VB Classes generated from the schema file (.XSD) by the "xsd.exe" of the Microsoft SDK.
- Review and improve the XML writer and/or serialize and de-serialize process.
- o Etc.

2.2 Parcel Editor Data Editing Business Processes

- Evaluate and recommend business process from the local government model into SGB business processes
- Management of historical parcels
- Parcel Joining process
- Management (uploading, collecting (digitize), editing, copying) of line strings (natural boundary)
- Understanding Parcel Editor editing parameters
- o Etc.

2.3 Parcel Editor Data Adjustment

- Management of accuracy values
- Controlling the adjustment process
- o Analysing least-square adjustment results
- Understanding Parcel Editor adjustment parameters
- o Etc.

2.4 Parcel Editor Data Conversion

- Addressing specific conversion issues
- Finding and fixing conversion problems
- o Etc.

SW3 Scope of Work

The contractor is to provide advice, consultation, guidance and technical support on issues specifically identified by SGB staff in the course of implementing the ESRI Parcel Editor **on an "as and when requested" basis**. Issues may include topics such as the development and implementation of the new data structure, development of custom applications, conversion of existing data to the Parcel Fabric and designing and implementing data editing and data adjustment business processes.

This project must be carried out in collaboration with SGB staff in order to stimulate Parcel Editor Knowledge transfer as much as possible. To that end, SGB staff will actively participate to all activities required to complete the implementation of Parcel Editor.

The contractor is expected to work off-site except for specific meetings where the contractor will be expected to come to SGB Ottawa office.

For each issue raised the contractor must do the following activities:

3.1 Review and Information Gathering

The contractor must review the technical issue raised and must identify factors and gather pertinent information to be considered by the team during the course of resolving the issue. The review will include, but is not limited to, understanding the issue, replicating the issue using sample data and reviewing existing ESRI documentation. The contractor must present to SGB an assessment of complexity and effort required to address the issue before initiating any extensive research work.

3.2 Analysis and Recommendation

Upon approval by the Project Authority to proceed with issue, the contractor must research, analyse and consult with ESRI technical experts to identify solutions and/or options to resolve the issue at hand and must present to the SGB team a summary for discussion. Contractor must highlight concerns of proposed solutions and recommend alternative solutions where appropriate.

The contractor must test and validate, in collaboration with SGB staff, that all proposed Parcel Editor Solutions or options are functional within SGB's Parcel Editor environment (ArcGIS version) and conform to SGB Parcel Editor project requirements.

3.3 Document to produce and deliver

The contractor must prepare a brief document describing the accepted or recommended solution for each issue raised.

All documentation must be produced in the English language.

3.4 Communication

Most project issues will be discussed and address using email and phone call communication.

Where group meetings and discussions are required, they will be held using conference calls and/or video-conferencing capabilities. No travel expenses will be paid for attending these conference calls or video-conferences.

3.5 Working group meetings

The Contractor must attend 2 working group meetings (up to 3 days each) that will be held in Ottawa (specific dates to be determined) to review overall project objectives, identify main technical issues and dedicate focus time at addressing key technical project issues.

SW4 **DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES**

- 4.1 For each issue raised, the contractor must complete and deliver in electronic format the following.
 - Brief explanation of the issue and an assessment of complexity and effort required to research and address the issue (within 2 days of being identified).
 - Summary of proposed solutions, options and concerns for considerations (as per agreed timelines)
 - Brief documentation describing accepted recommendation and solution (within 2 days of accepting the resolution of an issue).
- 4.2 Specific deliverables and expected schedule are as follows.
 - Weekly status update including
 - list of issues identified
 - Status of issue (pending, in-progress or completed)
 - Timesheets (time dedicated to each issue for specified week)

SW5 **WORKING MATERIALS AND CONTACTS**

- 5.1 The following working materials will be supplied to the contractor to perform the work:
 - "Parcel Editor Evaluation" report, version 1.0 (March 2012)
 - "Parcel Editor Prototyping Questions-Bugs-Performance Enhancers Show Stoppers"

ANNEX B – TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

B1 MANDATORY TECHNICAL CRITERIA

The Mandatory Criteria listed below will be evaluated on a simple pass/fail basis. Proposals which fail to meet the mandatory criteria will be deemed non-responsive.

Bidders are advised to address each criterion in sufficient depth to permit a complete requisite analysis and assessment by the evaluation team. Proposals failing to adequately respond to the mandatory criteria may be excluded from further considerations. The technical proposal should address each of the criteria in the order in which they appear.

Bidders are advised that only listing experience without providing any supporting data to describe responsibilities, duties and relevance to the criteria will not be considered demonstrated for the purpose of this evaluation.

The Bidder should provide complete details as to where, when (month and year) and how (through which activities/ responsibilities) the stated qualifications/experience were obtained. Experience gained during formal education shall not be considered work experience. All criteria for work experience shall be obtained in a legitimate work environment as opposed to an educational setting. Co-op terms are considered work experience provided they are related to the required services.

Bidders are also advised that the month(s) of experience listed for a project whose time frame overlaps that of another referenced project will only be counted once. For example: project one time frame is July 2001 to December 2001; project two time frame is October 2001 to January 2002; the total months of experience for these two project references is seven (7) months.

Criterion ID	Mandatory Criteria	Proposal Page #	Pass/Fail
M1	The Bidder MUST provide curriculum vitae (CV) for each proposed resource(s) including work experience.		
M2	At least one of the Bidder proposed resource(s) MUST have twelve (12) months experience in developing custom applications for ESRI Parcel Editor.		
М3	At least one of the Bidder proposed resource(s) MUST have twelve (12) months experience in performing data editing using ESRI Parcel Editor.		
M4	At least one of the Bidder proposed resource(s) MUST have twelve (12) months experience in performing data adjustment using ESRI Parcel Editor.		
M5	At least one of the Bidder proposed resource(s) MUST have twelve (12) months experience in converting data to ESRI Parcel Editor		



Criterion Mandatory Criteria	Proposal Page #	Pass/Fail
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For each experience above, Bidder MUST provide the following:

- Name of the proposed resource;
- Related project summary, period and tasks undertaken by the proposed resource;
- Cross-reference to the CV.

B2 POINT RATED TECHNICAL CRITERIA

The criteria contained herein will be used by NRCan to evaluate each proposal that has met all of the mandatory criteria. Bidders are advised to address these criteria in the following order and in sufficient depth in their proposals to enable a thorough assessment. NRCan's assessment will be based solely on the information contained within the proposal. NRCan may confirm information or seek clarification from bidders.

Only those proposals which are responsive (compliant) with all of the mandatory criteria will be further considered for award of a contract.

Criterion ID	Point Rated Technical Criteria	Maximum Points	Proposal Page #
R1	The Bidder proposed resource experience in creating and manipulating Cadastral XML files (Experience only in saving in Cadastral XML using out of the box functions is not acceptable). 1 point will be awarded for each month of experience.	25	
R2	The Bidder proposed resource experience in applying theories and principles of least-square survey adjustments, including weighting measurements and performing statistical analysis and review of adjustment results. 3 points will be awarded for each month of experience above and beyond the 12 months experience in performing data adjustment using ESRI Parcel Editor (M4 above).	75	

For each experience above, bidder MUST provide the following:

- Name of the proposed resource;
- Related project summary, period and tasks undertaken by the proposed resource;
- Cross-reference to the CV.

Total points	100	N/A



ANNEX C - FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

C1 TAXES AS RELATED TO BIDS RECEIVED

For Canadian-based bidders, prices/rates, as applicable, are requested to be firm (in Canadian funds) with Canadian customs duties and excise taxes as applicable **included**, and Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) as applicable, **excluded**;

For foreign-based bidders, prices/rates, as applicable, are requested to be firm (in Canadian funds) and **exclude** Canadian customs duties, excise taxes and GST or HST, as applicable. Canadian customs duties and excise taxes payable by the consignee will be added, for evaluation purposes only, to the prices submitted by foreign-based bidders. If the prices submitted in the financial proposal are not in Canadian Funds the exchange rate in effect on the date of bid closing will be applied for evaluation purposes only.

C2 PRICING DETAILS TO BE PROVIDED IN FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

The Bidder hereby offers to NRCan, as requested by the Minister, to furnish all necessary expertise, supervision, materials, equipment and other items necessary to performing the work as described in the statement of work of this Request for Proposal and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal, to the satisfaction of the Minister, or his or her authorized representative, for the following price(s).

Bidders must provide financial details as requested in the table below. Proposals which do not contain pricing details as requested below may be considered incomplete and non-responsive.

A. Per Diem Rate(s)	B. Level of Effort (maximum number of days)	C. Total Costs for Professional Fees
\$	50	\$

D. Travel & Living and Miscellaneous Expenses	Estimated Travel Costs
First working group meetings (up to 3 days) in Ottawa	\$
Second working group meetings (up to 3 days) in Ottawa	\$

E. Bidder total tendered price to perform the work (C+D)	\$

Note: the level of effort (B) and the total tendered price (E) are for evaluation purpose only.

Firm Per Diem Rate(s) (also know as daily rate) - The Firm Per Diem Rate(s) is based on 7.5 hours (seven hours and 30 minutes) exclusive of meal breaks with no provision for annual leave, statutory holidays and sick leave. For work performed for a duration of more or less than one (1) day, the daily rate will be prorated accordingly to cover actual time worked.

The Per Diem Rate(s) is 'all inclusive' except for travel expenses on project business outside the National Capital Region (that is pre-approved by the NRCan Project Authority), and GST. Charges for expenses which are normally incurred in the provision of services, such as labour for conducting negotiations and providing estimates, resolving contract disputes, tracking time sheets, monthly invoicing, facsimile, copying/printing charges, office supplies, computer hardware and software charges, courier, long distance telephone charges, travel from a personal residence to the NRCan site in the National Capital Region, local travel and the like, must be included in the rates and will not be permitted as additional charges to the contract.

Pre-Authorized Travel and Living Expenses - The Contractor will be paid for pre-authorized reasonable and proper travel and living expenses incurred by personnel directly engaged in the performance of the work, supported by appropriate receipts and calculated in accordance with the then current National Joint Council Directive on Travel and Living Expenses, (website: http://www.njc-cnm.gc.ca/directive/travel-voyage/index-eng.php) without allowance thereon for overhead or profit. All payments are subject to government audit. All travel must have prior authorization of the Project Authority.

Miscellaneous Expenses -The Contractor will be paid for pre-authorized reasonable and proper miscellaneous expenses supported by appropriate receipts at actual cost without allowance thereon for overhead or profit. All miscellaneous expenses must have prior authorization of the Project Authority.

ANNEX D - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must provide the required certifications to be awarded a contract. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive if the required certifications are not completed and submitted as requested.

Compliance with the certifications bidders provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the bid evaluation period (before award of a contract) and after award of a contract. The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify bidders' compliance with the certifications before award of a contract. The bid will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the Bidder is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications or to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

The certifications listed below should be completed and submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will so inform the Bidder and provide the Bidder with a time frame within which to meet the requirement. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and meet the requirement within that time period will render the bid non-responsive.

1. Federal Contractors Program – Certification

Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - over \$25,000 and below \$200,000

Suppliers who are subject to the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) and have been declared ineligible contractors by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) are no longer eligible to receive federal government contracts over the threshold for solicitation of bids as set out in the *Government Contracts Regulations*. Suppliers may be declared ineligible contractors either as a result of a finding of non-compliance by HRSDC, or following their voluntary withdrawal from the FCP for a reason other than the reduction of their workforce to less than 100 employees. Any bids from ineligible contractors, including a bid from a joint venture that has a member who is an ineligible contractor, will be declared non-responsive.

The Bidder, or, if the Bidder is a joint venture the member of the joint venture, certifies its status with the FCP, as follows:

The Bidder or the member of the joint venture

(a)	() is not subject to the FCP, having a workforce of less than 100 full-time or part-time permanent employees, and/or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada;
(b)	() is not subject to the FCP, being a regulated employer under the Employment Equity Act , S.C. 1995, c. 44;
(c)	() is subject to the requirements of the FCP, having a workforce of 100 or more full-time or part-time permanent employees, and/or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada, but has not previously obtained a certificate number from HRSDC, having not bid on requirements of \$200,000 or more;
(d)	() has not been declared an ineligible contractor by HRSDC, and has a valid certificate

Further information on the FCP is available on the HRSDC Web site.

Signature of Authorized Company Official	Date	

2. Former Public Servant Certification

Contracts with former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny and reflect fairness in spending public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts with FPS, bidders must provide the information required below.

Definitions

For the purposes of this clause,

"Former public servant" means a former member of a department as defined in the *Financial Administration Act*, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and includes:

- (a) An individual:
- (b) An individual who has incorporated;
- (c) A partnership made up of former public servants; or
- (d) Sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"Lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the Public Service.

"pension" means, in the context of the fee abatement formula, a pension or annual allowance paid under the *Public Service Superannuation Act* (PSSA), R.

S., 1985, c. P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the *Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act*, R.S., 1985, c. S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the *Canadian Forces Superannuation Act*, R.S., 1985, c. C-17, the *Defence Services Pension Continuation Act*, 1970, c. D-3, the *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act*, 1970, c. R-10, and the *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act*, R.S., 1985, c. R-11, the *Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act*, R.S., 1985, c. M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the *Canada Pension Plan Act*, R.S., 1985, c. C-8.

Former Public Servant (FPS) in Receipt of a Pension

Is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension as defined above	? YES ()	NO()
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If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (a) Name of former public servant;
- (b) Date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

By providing this information, Bidders agree that the successful Bidder's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2 and the Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts.

Work Force Reduction Program

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of a work force reduction program? **YES () NO ()**

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (a) Name of former public servant;
- (b) Conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- (c) Date of termination of employment;
- (d) Amount of lump sum payment;
- (e) Rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
- (f) Period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
- (g) Number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force reduction program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fee that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including the Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax.

Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the information submitted by the Bidder in response to the above requirements is accurate and complete.

3. STATUS AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

The Bidder certifies that, should it be awarded a contract as a result of the bid solicitation, every individual proposed in its bid will be available to perform the Work as required by Canada's representatives and at the time specified in the bid solicitation or agreed to with Canada's representatives. If for reasons beyond its control, the Bidder is unable to provide the services of an individual named in its bid, the Bidder may propose a substitute with similar qualifications and experience. The Bidder must advise the Contracting Authority of the reason for the substitution and provide the name, qualifications and experience of the proposed replacement. For the purposes of this clause, only the following reasons will be considered as beyond the control of the Bidder: death, sickness, maternity and parental leave, retirement, resignation, dismissal for cause or termination of an agreement for default.

If the Bidder has proposed any individual who is not an employee of the Bidder, the Bidder certifies that it has the permission from that individual to propose his/her services in relation to the Work to be performed and to submit his/her résumé to Canada. The Bidder must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide a written confirmation, signed by the individual, of the permission given to the Bidder and of his/her availability. Failure to comply with the request may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

Sign	nature of Authorized Company Official	Date
4.	EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE	
bid, veri prop	particularly the information pertaining to educ fied by the Bidder to be true and accurate. Ful	ed in the résumés and supporting material submitted with its ation, achievements, experience and work history, has been thermore, the Bidder warrants that every individual able of performing the Work described in the resulting
Sign	nature of Authorized Company Official	Date

5. CONTRACTUAL CAPACITY AND JOINT VENTURE CONTRACTUAL CAPACITY

The Bidder shall have the legal capacity to contract. If the Bidder is a sole proprietorship, a partnership or a corporate body, the Bidder shall provide a statement indicating the laws under which it is registered or incorporated together with the registered or corporate name and place of business.

<u>Joint Venture</u> - a joint venture is an association of two or more parties who temporarily combine their money, property, knowledge, or other resources in a joint business enterprise. There are two types of joint ventures, the incorporated joint venture and the contractual joint venture, i.e., formed through a contractual agreement between the parties. The following information should be provided with the proposal: type of joint venture (incorporated or contractual), the names and addresses of the members of the joint venture.

If a Contract is awarded to a contractual joint venture all members of the joint venture shall be jointly and severally or solidarily liable for the performance of the contract.

Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the information submitted by the Bidder in response to the above requirements is accurate and complete.