

FP802-140343 - Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN)

TITLE: North Coast of British Columbia Glider Mission – Winter 2015

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An ACAN is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that a department or agency intends to award a contract for goods, services or construction to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a statement of capabilities. If no supplier submits a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in the ACAN, the contracting officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

Definition of the requirement

Fisheries and Oceans Canada has a requirement to acquire high resolution temperature and salinity profiles in the north coast of BC between Kitimat and the open ocean (referred to here as Douglas Channel) and then in Hecate Strait. This project will deploy an ocean glider in the upper Douglas Channel and have the glider transit the channel system to Principe Channel and then to Browning Entrance. The goal is to collect water property data and assess the capabilities and operating requirement of using ocean gliders for oceanographic monitoring in remote restricted channels with fresher water in the upper 20 metres of the water column.

Criteria for assessment of the Statement of Capabilities (Minimum Essential Requirements)

Any interested supplier must demonstrate by way of a statement of capabilities that it meets the following requirements:

1. Has a glider capable of operations to at least 200 m depth with sensors measuring pressure, temperature, salinity, dissolved oxygen, chlorophyll fluorescence, turbidity and coloured dissolved organic material.
2. The organization has completed at least 3 missions measuring the following water properties: pressure, temperature, salinity, dissolved oxygen, chlorophyll fluorescence, turbidity and coloured dissolved organic material.
3. The organization has completed at least 3 missions for paying clients outside the supplier's organization.
4. The organization has completed at least 2 missions in British Columbia coastal waters: e.g. Strait of Georgia, Douglas Channel, etc. This criterion reflects the need for experience operating in restricted waters like Douglas Channel, rather than on the open ocean or continental shelf.
5. The organization has completed at least 3 missions of 5 days or more.

Applicability of the trade agreement(s) to the procurement

This procurement is subject to the following trade agreement(s):

World Trade Organization - Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP)

Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier

The Canadian Centre for Ocean Gliders has a Slocum 200 m glider available in BC and has carried out 10+ glider missions in Pat Bay, Strait of Georgia, West Coast Vancouver Island, and West Coast Haida Gwaii from remote locations and from vessels of opportunity. It also has the communications infrastructure and experience personnel to carry out the project.

Government Contracts Regulations Exception(s)

The following exception to the Government Contracts Regulations is invoked for this procurement under subsection 6(d) - "only one person is capable of performing the work".

Ownership of Intellectual Property

Canada intends to retain ownership of any Foreground Intellectual Property arising out of the proposed contract on the basis that the main purpose of the contract is to generate knowledge and information for public dissemination.

Period of the proposed contract or delivery date

All work is to be done from 10 January 2015 to 31 March 2015.

Cost estimate of the proposed contract

The estimated value of the contract is \$ 49,950 (GST/HST extra).

Name and address of the pre-identified supplier

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10986 Heather Road, North Saanich, BC V8L5V3
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Suppliers' right to submit a statement of capabilities

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the goods, services or construction services described in the ACAN may submit a statement of capabilities in writing to the contact person identified in this notice on or before the closing date of this notice. The statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

Closing date for a submission of a statement of capabilities

The closing date and time for accepting statements of capabilities is 08 January 2015.

Inquiries and submission of statements of capabilities

Inquiries and statements of capabilities are to be directed to:

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