REQUEST FOR INTEREST (RFI):	NRCan- 126012
	Maintenance of Seismic Station Network located at Haida Gwaii
DATE OF SOLICITATION:	December 10 th , 2015 (Eastern Standard EST)
SOLICITATION CLOSING DATE AND TIME:	December 29 th , 2015 2:00 P.M. (Eastern Standard EST)
ADDRESS INQUIRIES TO CONTRACTING AUTHORITY:	Carli Grady Natural Resources Canada Procurement Officer PH: 343-292-8364 Email: Carli.Grady@Canada.ca
SECURITY:	There is no security requirement associated with this solicitation.
PERIOD OF REQUIREMENT:	Contract issuance – March 31 st , 2018
TRAVEL	Please note: No travel costs to and from the Haida Gwaii Island will be reimbursed by the Crown.
	The intent of this RFI is to develop a list of interested suppliers by date and time of closing. At which point a competitive RFP will be sent to those suppliers who expressed interest.

SCOPE OF REQUIREMENT:

The scope of the contract is for services in helping maintain the digital seismograph network on Haida Gwaii.

Contract Tasks

- 1. Station Maintenance
 - a. With the guidance of NRCan staff from Ottawa or Sydney, the contractor will perform troubleshooting tasks to determine the cause of the problems and report back the findings.
 - b. The contractor will implement procedures provided by technical staff in Ottawa or Sydney to repair seismograph stations in the region.
- 2. Transport Logistics
 - a. The contractor will initiate arrangements with the authorization of NRCan personnel for local helicopter charter transport to remote seismic stations, weather permitting. If the station has road access, the contractor will make arrangements for access to an off road vehicle to drive to the station such as a 4x4 pick-up truck or SUV.
- 3. Logistical Support
 - a. The contractor will act as an escort if necessary for maintenance contractors that are providing expertise for specific types of maintenance, such as: Telesat contractors.
- 4. Field personnel support
 - a. The contract will provide support if needed for NRCan personnel that are in the field in Haida Gwaii. Such as: Receiving shipments if tools and spare parts from courier services on behalf of the NRCan field personnel.

Essential Criteria for requirement:

1. Canadian Coast Guard Authorization

The contractor must have written authorization from the Canadian Coast Guard's Marine Communications and Traffic Services for access to Canadian Coast Guard communication facilities in Haida Gwaii since some of our seismograph stations and communication infrastructure are co-located at some of these Coast Guard facilities.

2. Park's Canada Permits

The contractor must have valid Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve permits from Park's Canada for access to the seismograph stations located within the reserve.

3. <u>Vehicle access</u>

The contractor must have access to an off road vehicle such as a pick-up truck or SUV for the stations that are accessible by road. NRCan will be responsible for acquiring helicopter charter services for access to the seismograph stations that are remotely located.

4. Contractor Experience

A technical background especially in electrical or electronics systems is required.

NOTE:

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