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**Bid Receiving  
PWGSC  
33 City Centre Drive  
Suite 480C  
Mississauga  
Ontario  
L5B 2N5  
Bid Fax: (905) 615-2095**

**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT  
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

**Comments - Commentaires**

**Vendor/Firm Name and Address  
Raison sociale et adresse du  
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

**Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution**  
Public Works and Government Services Canada  
Ontario Region  
33 City Centre Drive  
Suite 480  
Mississauga  
Ontario  
L5B 2N5

<b>Title - Sujet</b> Material Mechanical Testing System	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 01E91-160370/A	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 001
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> 01E91-160370	<b>Date</b> 2015-12-29
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$TOR-031-6976	
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> TOR-5-38124 (031)	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2016-01-11</b>	
<b>Time Zone</b> Fuseau horaire Eastern Standard Time EST	
<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Schmidt, Jeff	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> tor031
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (905) 615-2058 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> (905) 615-2060
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>	

**Instructions: See Herein**

**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b>	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
<b>Vendor/Firm Name and Address</b> <b>Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur</b>	
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> <b>Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur</b>	
<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

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**Amendment 001 has been issued to answer bidder questions and make changes to the solicitation.**

**Q1:** In the Request for Proposal there is no information about exchange fluctuations, can you advise as to whether Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) is willing to accept Exchange Rate Fluctuation Risk Mitigation measures?



**R1:** Due to the sourcing and fluctuation in currency markets, AAFC is willing to accept Exchange Rate Fluctuation measures for this requirement. Changes to the solicitation are noted below.

**Changes to the solicitation.**

**At Part 3, Bid Preparation Instructions**

**Insert:**

**3.1.1 Exchange Rate Fluctuation**

1. The Bidder may request Canada to assume the risks and benefits of exchange rate fluctuations. If the Bidder claims for an exchange rate adjustment, this request must be clearly indicated in the bid at time of bidding. The Bidder must submit form [PWGSC-TPSGC 450](#) , Claim for Exchange Rate Adjustments with its bid, indicating the Foreign Currency Component (FCC) in Canadian dollars for each line item for which an exchange rate adjustment is required.
2. The FCC is defined as the portion of the price or rate that will be directly affected by exchange rate fluctuations. The FCC should include all related taxes, duties and other costs paid by the Bidder and which are to be included in the adjustment amount.
3. The total price paid by Canada on each invoice will be adjusted at the time of payment, based on the FCC and the exchange rate fluctuation provision in the contract. The exchange rate adjustment will only be applied where the exchange rate fluctuation is greater than 2% (increase or decrease).
4. At time of bidding, the Bidder must complete columns (1) to (4) on form [PWGSC-TPSGC 450](#) , for each line item where they want to invoke the exchange rate fluctuation provision. Where bids are evaluated in Canadian dollars, the dollar values provided in column (3) should also be in Canadian dollars, so that the adjustment amount is in the same currency as the payment.
5. Alternate rates or calculations proposed by the Bidder will not be accepted for the purposes of this exchange rate fluctuation provision.

**At Part 6, Resulting Contract Clauses**

**Insert:**

**6.7.3 Exchange Rate Fluctuation Adjustment**

1. The foreign currency component (FCC) is defined as the portion of the price or rate that will be directly affected by exchange rate fluctuation. The FCC should include all related taxes, duties and other costs paid by the Bidder and which are to be included in the adjustment amount.
2. For each line item where a FCC is identified, Canada assumes the risks and benefits for exchange rate fluctuation, as shown in the Basis of Payment. For such items, the exchange rate fluctuation amount is determined in accordance with the provision of this clause.

3. The total price paid by Canada on each invoice will be adjusted at the time of payment, based on the FCC and the exchange rate fluctuation provisions in the contract. The exchange rate adjustment amount will be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Adjustment} = \text{FCC} \times \text{Qty} \times (i_1 - i_0) / i_0$$
  
where formula variables correspond to:

**FCC**

Foreign Currency Component (per unit)

$i_0$



Initial exchange rate (CAN\$ per unit of foreign currency [e.g. US\$1])

$i_1$

exchange rate for adjustments (CAN\$ per unit of foreign currency [e.g. US\$1])

**Qty**

quantity of units

4. The initial exchange rate is typically set as the noon rate as published by the Bank of Canada on the solicitation closing date.
5. For goods, the exchange rate for adjustment will be the noon rate as published by the Bank of Canada on the date the goods were delivered. For services, the exchange rate for adjustment will be the noon rate on the last business day of the month for which the services were performed. For advance payments, the exchange rate for adjustment will be the noon rate on the date the payment was due. The most recent noon rate will be used for non-business days.
6. The Contractor must indicate the total exchange rate adjustment amount (either upward, downward or no change) as a separate item on each invoice or claim for payment submitted under the Contract. Where an adjustment applies, the Contractor must submit with their invoice form [PWGSC-TPSGC 450](#) , Claim for Exchange Rate Adjustments.
7. The exchange rate adjustment will only be applied where the exchange rate fluctuation is greater than 2% (increase or decrease), calculated in accordance with column 8 of form [PWGSC-TPSGC 450](#)  (i.e.  $[i_1 - i_0] / i_0$ ).
8. Canada reserves the right to audit any revision to costs and prices under this clause.