

**FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR
THE DEFENCE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (DRMIS)
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE AND
FOR THE SIGMA SYSTEM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT
SERVICES CANADA**

**SOLICITATION NO. W8474-126279/F
AMENDMENT 005**

This amendment contains the following sections:

1. Questions and Answers (Set 4)
2. Modifications to Solicitation

Section 1: Questions and Answers (Set 4)

Note: Questions are numerically sequenced upon arrival at PWGSC. A question and its answer will be provided via BuyandSell as the response becomes available. Potential bidders are therefore advised that questions and answers may be issued via BuyandSell out of sequence. The following questions have been received. In accordance with Article 13 under 2003 Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements (2015-07-03) which has been incorporated into the RFP in accordance with Article 2.1 of Part 2 of the RFP, the questions and corresponding answers are provided to all potential bidders as set out below:

Q34. Regarding Section 7.10(e)/8.9(e) Discretionary Audit:

Canada reinforces throughout this bid that this RFP is a competitive tender (7.10(a) (vi)) and has re-issued this RFP to ensure that it receives fully compliant bids. Canada has included a mechanism in the financial evaluation method that penalize bidders who put in rates below 20% and above 30% of the median of all bidders. As a result, bidders must provide market relevant pricing that may not reflect lowest price or rate charged to anyone else. The most favoured customer clause in section 7.10 (e)/8.9(e) is in direct contradiction and may force bidders to put in rates that would cause them to lose points. Would Canada use the previous terms proposed by Canada (Page 41/202 Para 10 (f) and page 43/202 Section 13 –Price Protection of ABES PROD PW__XQ B008 E27724 ATTA001 dated Jun 12, 2014, see below) to replace 7.10(e)/8.9(e)?

A34. Canada has reviewed this request. Please see revised clause at article 7.10 (e) and 8.9 (e).

Q35. Regarding Section 7.10(e)/8.9(e) Discretionary Audit applicability with multiple bidders:

Canada responded to Q14 regarding the discretionary audit by indicating that “This would apply to all methods of payment when one responsive bid is received. It only applies to Additional Firm All-Inclusive Per Diem Rates when more than one responsive bid is received.” Section 7.15 – Priority of Documents – indicates that questions/answers are not listed and therefore additional clarifications would not be part of the resulting contract. Would Canada please update the document around Section 7.10 and 8.9 to reflect the answer provided to Question 14? (for example see page 70/90 of the RFP document ABES.PROD.PW__XT.B003.E29683.ATTA010).

A35. Please see A34.

Section 2: Modifications to Solicitation:

1. DELETE: Request For Proposal Part 1 to Part 8 revision 002.
 INSERT: Request For Proposal Part 1 to Part 8 revision 003, changes to the RFP are
 highlighted in yellow, attached.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED