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**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.

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Title - Sujet DIABETIC TEST STRIPS & GLUCOMETERS	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 21120-161512/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 002
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 21120-16-2291512	Date 2016-04-21
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$PV-941-70708	
File No. - N° de dossier pv941.21120-161512	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2016-05-09	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Martins, Christina	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur pv941
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (613) 355-1973 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (819) 956-3814
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

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

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Amendment 002 has been raised to answer the following questions and modify the technical requirement:

PART A:

- Q1. We would like to know whether the requirement is in private label or can it be in the manufacturer's name?
- A1. Once the test strips are received by the regional pharmacies they are sent to the institutions based on quantities requested (based on number of offenders with a glucose meters needing test strips) The strip boxes would be labeled by the regional pharmacy prior to dispensing. The label would contain the name of the test strip product provided.
- Q2. Page 15 of solicitation document - ANNEX A REQUIREMENT, please advise:
- By glucometer meter, do you mean calibration tools or the main glucometer unit?
- A2. The word "meter" was added in error. It should read "10. The glucometer must come with instructions regarding....." This refers to instructions regarding use of the main glucometer unit.
- Q3. Page 17 of solicitation document, ANNEX B REQUIREMENT/BASIS OF PAYMENT, the required quantity for glucometer units is missing. Please indicate required quantity for glucometer units, and in case of calibration tools, required quantity for such tools.

A3.

CSC Regions	Number of Glucometers over 1 year period (approx.)
Pacific	95
Prairie	200
Ontario	400
Quebec	270
Atlantic	170
TOTAL: 1135	

- Q4. For delivery to the 5 regional pharmacy locations (Pacific, Prairie, Ontario, Quebec, and Atlantic), what is the preferred shipping method (Ground or Air)?
- A4. Delivery method can be the choice of the successful bidder however CSC expects reasonable turnaround times for delivery (i.e. next day or on Monday for orders sent on a Friday).
- Q5. As the ordering schedule is on an "as and when requested basis", what range of quantities can we expect with each order?
- A5. This is variable as it is based on the individual requests from the nursing sites which may vary from day to day and week to week. Regional pharmacy does not distribute based on a specific request per patient. The estimates per year are based on the amounts purchased per year during the current contract. Estimates can be provided using a shorter time period (e.g. per month over a

3 or 4 month period) if requested to give a sense of the number of orders expected in a shorter time period than one year.

- Q6. Does this RFP require lancets as well? If so, are they to be included for free or are they included in the test strip price?
- A6. There was no requirement to include lancets as part of this contract RFP. However, CSC does order lancets on a regular basis and would be interested in inclusion of lancets at no cost. This however will not impact the final decision of the successful bidder.
- Q7. What is the expiration requirement for the control solutions, (lancets), and any other applicable items? I understand the test strips must have a minimum of 1 year expiration after delivery.
- A7. Same expiration requirement for the control solutions at a minimum (1 year).
- Q8. Please clarify A7 in the Solicitation Amendment: "Yes, glucometers and control solutions must be provided free with the meters". Is the statement simply that control solutions must be provided free with the glucometers?
- A8. Yes. Both glucose meters and control solutions are to be provided free of charge.
- Q9. Can the price(s) from the past winning bid(s) be disclosed?
- A10. No
- Q11. Referring to the Technical Bid requirement, please describe the difference in what you are looking for between:
- (a) Problem reporting and response procedures
 - (b) Escalation procedures
- Is the latter (b) referring to topics addressing shortage in inventory or other problems that may arise along with the related proposed solutions with the escalation procedures?
- A11. Information is requested on the process available to report problems (e.g. inaccuracy of data) with glucose meters or the test strips.
- (a) would be for standard questions; and
 - (b) would be the procedures for more serious issues such as the one described below (shortage of stock).
- Q12. Would you be able to provide us with the estimated quantity of control solutions needed (per week/month)?
- A12. Yes. We would use 10 control solution bottles per month
- Q13. What does "the manufacturing point" refer to on page 4 of the tender, listed in Part 3 – Bid Preparation instructions (Section 3.1 (Technical Bid))?
- A13. The RFP asks where the test strips are currently manufactured (location and postal code).
- Q14. Does "Delivered Duty Paid" mean that all shipping and delivery charges are the bidder's responsibility?
- A14. Yes

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PART B:

Delete:

Page 15 of 20 – Annex A, Requirement

10. The glucometer meters must come with instructions regarding proper handling, recommended cleaning and maintenance and meter storage when not in use.

Replace with:

Page 15 of 20 – Annex A, Requirement

10. The glucometer must come with instructions regarding proper handling, recommended cleaning and maintenance and meter storage when not in use.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS WITHIN THE RFP REMAIN UNCHANGED.