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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
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Comments - Commentaires

Title - Sujet LIFE VEST & EUBA	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation F7013-160012/A	Date 2016-06-23
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client F7013-160012	
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File No. - N° de dossier 008cag.F7013-160012	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2016-08-08	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: McCabe, Todd	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur 008cag
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (819) 956-1557 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (819) 956-9110
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction: Specified Herein Précisé dans les présentes	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

**Raison sociale et adresse du
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution

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Delivery Required - Livraison exigée See Herein	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
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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



Destination Code - Code destinataire	Destination Address - Adresse de la destination	Invoice Code - Code bur.-comptable	Invoice Address - Adresse de facturation
D-1	Canadian Coast Guard Fisheries & Oceans Canada 200 KENT ST. OTTAWA ON K1A 0E6	I-1	see herein



Item Article	Description	Dest. Code Dest.	Inv. Code Fact.	Qty Qté	U. of I. U. de D.	Unit Price/Prix unitaire FOB/FAM Destination	Plant/Usine	Delivery Req. Livraison Req.	Del. Offered Liv. offerte
1	Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBA)	D - 1	I - 1	60	Each	\$		See Herein	
2	Life Vests	D - 1	I - 1	250	Each	\$		See Herein	

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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Security Requirements

There is no security for this requirement.

1.2 Statement of Requirement

Attached as Annex A – SOR Life vests and Annex B - EUBA

1.3 Comprehensive Land Claims Agreement(s)

Not Applicable

1.4 Set-aside under the Federal Government Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB)

Not Applicable

1.5 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

1.6 National Security Exception

Not Applicable

1.7 Trade Agreements

"The requirement is subject to the provisions of the World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP), the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT)."

1.8 Canadian Content

Not Applicable

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual* (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The 2003 (2016-04-04) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1/2003/active>

2.2 Submission of Bids

Bids must be submitted only to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to PWGSC will not be accepted.

Please see specific instructions in Statement of Requirements (ANNEX – A&B) on where to send the Life vests /EUBAs for evaluation purposes.

2.3 Former Public Servant

Not applicable

2.4 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than *five (5)* calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

2.5 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Bidders.

PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Canada requests that Bidders provide their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (3 hard copies) (and 1 soft copies on USB)

Section II: Financial Bid (1 hard copies) (and 1 soft copies on USB)

Section III: Certifications (1 hard copies)

Section IV: Additional Information (1 hard copies)

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the soft copy and the hard copy, the wording of the hard copy will have priority over the wording of the soft copy.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that Bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process [Policy on Green Procurement](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html) (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, Bidders should:

- 1) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and containing minimum 30% recycled content; and
- 2) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, Bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Table below. The total amount of Applicable Taxes must be shown separately. **All bids are to be submitted in Canadian Funds.**

Description	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total Amount
Life Vests		250	
EUBA		60	

Additional Pricing request			
EUBA refilling unit			

3.1.1 SACC Manual Clauses

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

The 2003 (2016-04-04) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1/2003/active>

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical/operational and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

See Annex's A and B., bidders are to submit matrix showing how Mandatory's are met.

4.1.1.2 Point Rated Technical Criteria

See Annex C

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

SACC Manual Clause [A0220T](#) (2014-06-26), Evaluation of Price

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/A/A0220T>

4.2 Basis of Selection – SACC Manual Clause A0027T (2012-07-16)

4.2.1 Highest Combined Rating of Technical Merit

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/A/A0027T/2>

1. To be declared responsive, a bid must:
 - a. comply with all the requirements of the bid solicitation;
 - b. meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria; and
 - c. obtain the highest Combined Rating of Technical Merit (70%) and Price (30%)
2. Bids not meeting (a) or (b) or (c) will be declared non responsive. The responsive bid with the highest number of points will be recommended for award of a contract, provided that the total evaluated price does not exceed the budget available for this requirement.
3. The selection will be based on the highest responsive combined rating of technical merit and price. The ratio will be 70% for the technical merit and 30% for the price.
4. To establish the technical merit score, the overall technical score for each responsive bid will be determined as follows: total number of points obtained / maximum number of points available multiplied by the ratio of 70%.
5. To establish the pricing score, each responsive bid will be prorated against the lowest evaluated price and the ratio of 30%.
6. For each responsive bid, the technical merit score and the pricing score will be added to determine its combined rating.
7. Neither the responsive bid obtaining the highest technical score nor the one with the lowest evaluated price will necessarily be accepted. The responsive bid with the highest combined rating of technical merit and price will be recommended for award of a contract.

EXAMPLE

The table below illustrates an example where all three bids are responsive and the selection of the contractor is determined by a 60/40 ratio of technical merit and price, respectively. The total available points equals 135 and the lowest evaluated price is \$45,000 (45).

Basis of Selection - Highest Combined Rating Technical Merit (60%) and Price (40%)

	Bidder 1	Bidder 2	Bidder 3
Overall Technical Score	115/135	89/135	92/135
Bid Evaluated Price	\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00
Calculations – Technical Merit Score	115/135 x 60 = 51.11	89/135 x 60 = 39.56	92/135 x 60 = 40.89
Calculations – Pricing Score	45/55 x 40 = 32.73	45/50 x 40 = 36.00	45/45 x 40 = 40.00
Combined Rating	83.84	75.56	80.89
Overall Rating	1st	3rd	2nd

4.3 Evaluation of Price – Canadian / Foreign Bidders

1. The price of the bid will be evaluated as follows:
 - a. Canadian-based bidders must submit firm prices, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded.
 - b. foreign-based bidders must submit firm prices, Canadian customs duties, excise taxes and Applicable Taxes excluded. Canadian customs duties and excise taxes payable by Canada will be added, for evaluation purposes only, to the prices submitted by foreign-based bidders.
2. Unless the bid solicitation specifically requires bids to be submitted in Canadian currency, bids submitted in foreign currency will be converted to Canadian currency for evaluation purposes. The rate given by the Bank of Canada in effect on the bid solicitation closing date, or on another date specified in the bid solicitation, will be applied as a conversion factor to the bids submitted in foreign currency.
3. Although Canada reserves the right to award the Contract either on an FOB plant or FOB destination, Canada requests that bidders provide prices FOB their plant or shipping point and FOB destination. Bids will be assessed on an FOB destination basis.
4. For the purpose of the bid solicitation, bidders with an address in Canada are considered Canadian-based bidders and bidders with an address outside of Canada are considered foreign-based bidders.

PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Required with the Bid

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their bid.

5.1.1 Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences

In accordance with the *Ineligibility and Suspension Policy* (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Bidder must provide with its bid the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the bid non-responsive.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation

In accordance with the *Ineligibility and Suspension Policy* (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Bidder must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list available at the bottom of the page of the [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\) - Labour's](http://www.esdc.gc.ca/en/jobs/workplace/human_rights/employment_equity/federal_contractor_program.page?&_ga=1.229006812.1158694905.1413548969) website (http://www.esdc.gc.ca/en/jobs/workplace/human_rights/employment_equity/federal_contractor_program.page?&_ga=1.229006812.1158694905.1413548969).

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

6.1 Security Requirements

6.1.1 There is no security requirement applicable to the Contract.

6.2 Statement of Requirement

Annex A & B

6.3 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the [Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

6.3.1 General Conditions

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[2010A](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/3/2010A/17) (2016-04-04), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/3/2010A/17>

6.4 Term of Contract

6.4.1 Period of the Contract

The Work is to be performed during the period of _____ to _____.

6.4.2 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received on or before _____ (*insert the date*).

6.4.3 Delivery Points

Delivery of the requirement will be made to delivery point specified at Annex "A" of the Contract.

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6.5 Authorities

6.5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name: Todd McCabe
Title: Supply Specialist
Public Works and Government Services Canada
Acquisitions Branch
Directorate: Aerospace Equipment Program
Address: 11 Laurier Street, Gatineau QC K1A 0S5

Telephone: (873) 469-3839
E-mail address: todd.mccabe@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

6.5.2 Project Authority

The Project Authority for the Contract is:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-mail address: _____

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority, however the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

6.5.3 Contractor's Representative

TBD

6.6 Payment

6.6.1 Basis of Payment – C0207C (2013-04-25) Option #1

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a *firm unit price(s)*, as specified in *Annex D – Basis of Payment*. Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/C/C0207C/13>

6.6.2 Limitation of Price

SACC *Manual* clause [C6000C](#) (2011-05-16) Limitation of Price

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.6.3 Terms of Payment - [H4012C \(2010-01-11\)](#)

The schedule of milestones for which payments will be made in accordance with the Contract is as follows:

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/H/H4012C/2>

6.7 Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:
 - a) One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

6.8 Certifications and Additional Information

6.8.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of the Contract and failure to comply will constitute the Contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract.

6.9 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

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6.10 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) the general conditions 2010A (2016-04-04);
- (c) Annex A & B, Statement of Requirement;
- (d) Annex D, Basis of Payment
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated _____ (*insert date of bid*)

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ANNEX "A"

STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENT – LIFE VESTS

(attached as separate document for RFP)

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STATEMENT OF REQUIRMENT – EUBA
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ANNEX "C"

Combined LIFE VESTS and EUBA evaluation form

(attached as separate document for RFP)

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ANNEX "D"

BASIS OF PAYMENT

Contract Line Item Number (CLIN)	Description	Lot Price	Quantity	Amount (CAD)
001				
002				
003				

Aviation Life Vests Statement of Requirements

1. Background

- 1.1 Transport Canada – Aircraft Services Directorate (TC-ASD) is operating a number of aircraft (rotorcraft and fixed wing) over water for extended periods of time, and sometimes at a great distance from shore. Life vests are necessary for the crew and passengers for safety and survivability, and are required as per Canadian Aviation Regulations (CARs).
- 1.2 TC-ASD operates different models of helicopters and crews are carrying out very demanding tasks on board helicopters. For example, vertical reference operations (VRO) are being conducted from either side, depending on the helicopter type. These tasks require deep concentration, and extreme freedom for body and head movement while flying. Life vests are being worn by the TC ASD crew and passengers for extended periods of time.

2. Objective

- 2.1 Given the above, TC-ASD is looking to acquire 250 life vests to replace the current life vests used by the crew and passengers on board TC-ASD operated aircraft.
- 2.2 Note: TC ASD is concurrently looking to acquire 60 Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBAs) to use in conjunctions with these life vests. The evaluation for both the life vests and EUBAs will be conducted concurrently in accordance with ANNEX C.

3. Mandatory Requirements

- 3.1 The mandatory TC-ASD requirements for life vests are as follows:
 - 3.1.1 Must be certified in Canada for aviation purposes;
 - 3.1.2 Must have separate dual inflation chambers of a color that is highly visible when inflated;
 - 3.1.3 Must be equipped with dual CO2 bottles;
 - 3.1.4 Must be capable of manual (oral) inflation;
 - 3.1.5 Must be equipped with optional leg straps;
 - 3.1.6 Must have integrated light and whistle
 - 3.1.7 Must be able to provide storage for a Personal Locator Beacon (ResQLink+ PLB-375), a laser flare, and a cellular phone (already owned by TC);
 - 3.1.8 Must be provided with a splash hood (integrated or stowed);
 - 3.1.9 Must have an available provision to carry an Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBA) that does not interfere with normal flight operations actions or emergency egress.
 - 3.1.10 The provision for the EUBA carrier attachment must be adjustable (movable) to carry on either side of the life vest;
 - 3.1.11 Must be equipped with reflective material in the back;
 - 3.1.12 Must be equipped with a grab handle in the back;
 - 3.1.13 Must be a dark color that does not show dirt;
 - 3.1.14 Must be available in a variety of different sizes or be one-size-fits-all;

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3.1.15 Must be provided with the maintenance/inspection program documentation; and

3.1.16 Must provide clear guidance material on the use and limitations of the unit.

4. Rated Requirements

4.1 The rated TC-ASD requirements for life vests are as follows:

4.1.1 Provides easy access to inflation mechanism (ex. with loop style handle);

4.1.2 Provides ergonomic comfort while wearing standard equipment, and during normal and specialty operations, such as those defined in 1.2. Note: standard equipment includes helmet, PLB, laser flare, cell phone, EUBA, and immersion suit.

4.1.3 Easy to don and doff.

5. Evaluation Process

5.1 Bidders must submit written proof of compliance with all mandatory requirements (3.1.1-3.1.16).

5.2 Only those Bidders meeting ALL of the mandatory requirements will advance to the rated portion of the evaluation.

5.3 For the evaluation, Bidders must provide 9 life vests for TC ASD personnel to test out the life vest during the course of everyday work. If the proposed solution is 'one size fits all', 9 of the same life vest are required. If the proposed solution is available in different sizes, 3 each of 3 different sizes would be required.

Life Vests are to be submitted to the following prior to bid closing for evaluation purposes:

Eric Côté – Transport Canada, Flight Operations

200 Comet Private
Ottawa, Ontario K1V 9B2
Canada
Mail Stop DAFH-Q
Building T-58 Macdonald-Cartier
Room A216

6. Evaluation Methodology

6.1 The Evaluation of the rated criteria will consist of two sets of criteria:

6.1.1 Evaluation of the life vests independently in accordance with the criteria defined in section 4.

6.1.2 Evaluation of the life vests in conjunction with the compatible EUBA(s) proposed by Bidders in response to F7013-160012

6.2 Each proposed life vest and EUBA proposed to this RFP will be subject to an evaluation period. The evaluation period will take effect once all equipment from all bidders (life vests and EUBAs) have been received by TC-ASD.

6.3 Every possible combination of EUBAs and life vests proposed by Bidders in response to the RFP will be tested.

6.4 The evaluation form that will be completed by each member of the evaluation team is presented in ANNEX C.

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- 6.5 TC-ASD will select a number of individuals in its different bases across Canada (minimum of 10, mainly pilots) to evaluate each possible combination of life vest and EUBA as presented by the bidders.
- 6.6 To preserve open and fair competition, evaluators will conduct the evaluations independently and will not be permitted to discuss their evaluation responses throughout the evaluation period.
- 6.7 Once all trials are completed, the results will be collated and the average score will be taken for each proposed solution.
- 6.8 The Bidder with the best combined technical score and bid price will be recommended for contract award.

Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBA) Statement of Requirement

1. Background

- 1.1 Transport Canada – Aircraft Services Directorate (TC-ASD) is operating a number of aircraft (rotorcraft and fixed wing) over water for extended periods of time, and sometimes at a great distance from shore. Life vests are necessary for the crew and passengers for safety and survivability, and are required as per Canadian Aviation Regulations (CARs).
- 1.2 TC-ASD operates different models of helicopters and crews are carrying out very demanding tasks on board helicopters. For example, vertical reference operations (VRO) are being conducted from either side, depending on the helicopter type. These tasks require deep concentration, and extreme freedom for body and head movement while flying. Life vests are being worn by the TC ASD crew and passengers for extended periods of time.
- 1.3 In addition to aviation life vests, EUBAs are required for safety of personnel.

2. Objective

- 2.1 Given the above, TC-ASD is looking to acquire 60 Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBAs) to be used by the pilots on board TC-ASD operated aircraft.
- 2.2 Note: TC ASD is concurrently looking to acquire 250 aviation life vests to use in conjunctions with these EUBAs. The evaluation for both the life vests and EUBAs will be conducted concurrently in accordance with ANNEX C.

3. Mandatory Requirements

- 3.1 The mandatory TC-ASD requirements for the EUBAs are the following:
 - 3.1.1 Must be CARs 602.66 compliant;
 - 3.1.2 Must be compatible with an aviation life vest/vests certified in Canada;
 - 3.1.3 Must have a cylinder with the pressure capacity of at least 3000 psi;
 - 3.1.4 Must be equipped with a separate second stage regulator and mouthpiece;
 - 3.1.5 Must be equipped with a pressure gauge;
 - 3.1.6 Must be provided with the maintenance/inspection program documentation;
 - 3.1.7 Must provide clear guidance material on the use and limitations of the unit; and
 - 3.1.8 Must provide ten (10) adapters for the refilling unit.

4. Rated Requirements

- 4.1 The rated TC-ASD requirements for the EUBAs are the following:
- 4.1.1 Provides the ability to wear the equipment with minimal interference with regular flight crew duties and equipment (helmet and immersion suit), including specialty operations such as vertical reference;
 - 4.1.2 Allows normal cockpit ingress and egress with minimal snag hazards and interference;
 - 4.1.3 Provides a hose long enough for easy access and usage from the bottle stowing location on the life vest; and
 - 4.1.4 Comfortably light in weight.

5. Evaluation Process

- 5.1 Bidders must submit written proof of compliance with all mandatory requirements (3.1.1-3.1.7).
- 5.2 Only those Bidders meeting ALL of the mandatory requirements will advance to the rated portion of the evaluation.
- 5.3 For the evaluation, Bidders must provide 3 EUBAs for TC ASD personnel to test out the life vest during the course of everyday work.

EUBAS are to be submitted to the following prior to bid closing for evaluation purposes:

Eric Côté – Transport Canada, Flight Operations

200 Comet Private
Ottawa, Ontario K1V 9B2
Canada
Mail Stop DAFH-Q
Building T-58 Macdonald-Cartier
Room A216

6. Evaluation Methodology

- 6.1 EUBAs will be rated in conjunction with the aviation life vests proposed in response to RFP. The Evaluation of the rated criteria will consist of two sets of criteria:
 - 6.1.1 Evaluation of the life vests independently, in accordance with the criteria defined in section 4.
 - 6.1.2 Evaluation of the life vests in conjunction with the compatible EUBA(s).
- 6.2 Each life vest and EUBA proposed to this RFP will be subject to an evaluation period. The evaluation period will take effect once all equipment from all bidders (life vests and EUBAs) have been received by TC-ASD.
- 6.3 Every possible combination of EUBAs and life vests proposed by Bidders will be tested.

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- 6.4 The evaluation form that will be completed by each member of the evaluation team is presented in ANNEX C.
- 6.5 TC-ASD will select a number of individuals in its different bases across Canada (minimum of 10, mainly pilots) to evaluate each possible combination of life vest and EUBA as presented by the bidders.
- 6.6 To preserve open and fair competition, evaluators will conduct the evaluations independently and will not be permitted to discuss their evaluation responses throughout the evaluation period.
- 6.7 Once all trials are completed, the results will be collated and the average score will be taken for each proposed solution.
- 6.8 The Bidder with the best combined technical score and bid price will be recommended for contract award.

ANNEX C - Combined Life Vest and Emergency Underwater Breathing Apparatus (EUBA) evaluation form

Notes:

1. Life vest and EUBA testing should be done wearing immersion suit and helmet.
2. This form is a combined ground (G) and flight (F) form. For each criteria place a **G** and/or **F** in the appropriate box. Some steps may only apply to ground (e.g. 3f).
3. The rating may differ between ground and flight or be the same.

Evaluator's Name							
Base							
Date							
Life Vest Model							
EUBA Model							
Model of Immersion Suit worn (info only)							
Please rate each item on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being the lowest rating and 5 the highest.							
Life Vest Only	1. Provides easy access to inflation mechanism (Req LV 4.1.1)	Poor	Fair	Average	Good	Excellent	Rationale/ Additional Comments
		1	2	3	4	5	

	<p>2. Provides ergonomic comfort while wearing standard equipment, and during normal and specialty operations (Req. LV 4.1.2).</p>							
	<p>3. Easy to don and doff (Req. LV 4.1.3)</p> <p>4. Provides the ability to wear the equipment with minimal interference with regular flight crew duties and equipment (helmet, PLB, laser flare, cell phone, EUBA and immersion suit) including specialty operations such as vertical reference (LV 3.1.9 and EUBA 4.1.1)</p> <p>a. Ease of movement of whole body with helmet, EUBA, PLB, laser flare and cell phone.</p> <p>b. Ease of movement of shoulders, head and neck with helmet, EUBA, PLB, laser flare and cell phone.</p> <p>c. Ability to reach flight controls and switches, etc. with helmet, EUBA, PLB, laser flare and cell phone.</p> <p>d. Range of motion of head and upper body to scan as if you were flying with helmet, EUBA, PLB, laser flare and cell phone.</p> <p>e. Relative comfort with helmet, EUBA, PLB, laser flare and cell phone.</p> <p>5. Allows normal cockpit ingress and egress with minimal snag hazards and interference (Req. EUBA 4.1.2). (1=definite snag hazard(s), 5=no snag</p>							

Life vest and EUBA combined

