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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.

Comments - Commentaires

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

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Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EN869-161257/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 004
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 20161257	Date 2016-07-19
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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

This Solicitation amendment is raised to answer questions received from Bidders and to modify the Solicitation.

QUESTION 1

Please advise if there are currently, or recently, contractors working in these, or related positions? If so, what is the contracting company name, contract duration and value?

ANSWER 1

The incumbents are:

SISystems : EN869-111390/001/EL : \$4,672,244.44. Contract closing date: November 28, 2016.

CGI : EN869-111390/002/EL : \$4,491,045.46. Contract closing date: November 28, 2016.

IT/Net : EN869-111390/003/EL : \$4,647,058.22. Contract closing date: November 28, 2016.

QUESTION 2

Appendix B, att B requests vendors to provide "Name of Resource" along with the resource category and level. Given the requirement is for bidders to demonstrate that they have provided a significant amount of billed days in the resource categories, not who they have provided, asking bidders to include the actual names of resources (which could be a significant number) is, in our opinion, not relevant to the requirement. Additionally, given that contracts are allowed to go back 5 years, and some resources may have only provided several weeks worth of work 5 years ago, contacting all of these resources in order to indicate and receive permission for their names to be used in this vehicle (for privacy reasons) is an onerous process that does not add value to this procurement.

Overall, demonstrating 50% of the SoW tasks will likely be the same for almost all of the resources, and it would be redundant and lengthy to list the tasks for each individual resource named. Therefore we would respectfully request that similar to recent RFPs including RFP #EN912-152457/A from PWGSC. the appendix B attachment B be amended so that vendors need only provide:

- Resource Category and Level
- Demonstrated tasks delivered under this project
- Cross-reference to associated tasks listed in the Statement of Work

ANSWER 2

2.1 Canada has reviewed the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.

QUESTION 3

We have a question regarding the C.M1 criterion, which states:

The front pages of our informatics professional services client contracts do not always have a dollar value stated, and our clients are not always able/willing to share details of their spend in the form of a letter of reference.

However, we can provide the specific PO numbers associated with that contract, and the amount billed to each.

3.1. Would this satisfy the requirement to demonstrate (a) contract awarded, and (b) amount billed to/value of each?

*If necessary, in addition to providing the specific PO numbers associated with each particular contract, we can also offer either of the below alternative approaches:

- i. we can also provide a letter from our independent auditors attesting to the amount billed for each client in the period specified; OR
- ii. another alternative approach which has been used on other TBIPS Tier 2 bids is listing all the amounts billed and having it signed off by our Chief Financial Officer.

3.2. Would the crown consider either of the above alternatives to be satisfactory in addition to providing the specific PO numbers associated with each particular contract?

ANSWER 3

3.1. Canada has reviewed the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.

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QUESTION 4

Would Canada please confirm that the following clause will apply to demonstrate that our firm has provided equivalent billable days for all categories and requirements:

“A project will be considered “similar” to the Work to be performed under any resulting contract if the project was for the performance of work that closely matches the TBIPS descriptions of the Resource Categories. Work will be considered to “closely match” if the work in the provided project is described in at least 50% of the points of responsibility listed in the description of the given Resource Category.”

This is to say that any category and level can be used to demonstrate experience as long as 50% of the TBIPS description for that category and level is met.

ANSWER 4

Bidders are to refer to article (a)(iii) of section 3.2 – Section I: Technical Bid of the RFP.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED