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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 JOINT CBRN GEN. SERVICE RESPIRATOR	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation W8476-155141/C	Amendment No. - N° modif. 011
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client W8476-155141	Date 2016-08-10
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$\$PV-867-71135	
File No. - N° de dossier pv867.W8476-155141	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2016-10-31	
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"/>	
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Signature	Date

PWGSC
Joint CBRN GSR – RFP, Amendment 011

This amendment is raised to update the JOINT CBRN GEN. SERVICE RESPIRATOR, Solicitation No. W8476-155141/C, dated 23 June 2016

QUESTION 003:

T&C
3.4.3.4

It is not reasonable to set exchange rates on the date of bid closing. We propose changing this to one week before the date of bid closing. Exchange rates have been highly volatile in the past few years and bids of this nature require management approvals and time to print and deliver bids, all of which would otherwise require bidders to guess the exchange rate on the day of bid closing. Please be aware that bid prices are set by bidders some days or weeks before bid closing.

ANSWER:

Canada will not change this provision.

QUESTION 62:

Annex F,
Ser 4.1.3

We respectfully request allowing a Bidder representative to witness the testing in the following phases of the bid evaluation. It should be noted that the imposition of the NSE removes all rights of bidders to any form of appeal.

ANSWER:

This request is denied, a Fairness Monitor was assigned to this project by PSPC to ensure independent assurance that the project conducts its activities in a fair, open and transparent way. The NSE removes all rights of bidders to any form of appeal to the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) but it does not remove any other rights of the bidder.

QUESTION 66:

Appendix FI

What is the minimum number of Wearers/Users that will be used by Canada in the evaluation listed in Annex F, Appendix FI in order to ensure that the results are statistically valid?

ANSWER:

The statistical power of tests is always limited by the sample size of a given population. Canada is making an effort to maximise the sample of the CAF population to improve our ability to have the required discrimination to choose the right Joint CBRN GSR System for the right reasons (safety, technical, cost, schedule) and for the benefits of the CAF members (user's satisfaction). For the Bid Evaluation the down-selection process, as much as possible, will provide a representative male-female ratio, and a mix of different trades.

Canada will fit, train and use three (3) different groups of participants, 32 CAF members plus 4 spares for the UAPE, 24 CAF members plus 8 spares for the main UITPT and 24 CAF members plus 6 spares for the Intelligibility Evaluation. In all, Canada will fit, train and use more than 90 CAF members out of a larger pool of CAF members that will represent a CAF population thereby providing a cross-section of head shapes and sizes. Canada is making its best effort, taking into account the CAF population, their availability, and the cost and schedule of the project.

QUESTION 67:

Annex A,
SRS-4787

SRS-4787. The NIOSH standard call out in this SRS is not the most recent one. SRS calls out *revision 2.0 while current revision is 3.1* <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/stps/pdfs/TEB-APR-STP-0051.pdf>

Can you please confirm what revision should be used?

ANSWER:

The latest version is acceptable.

QUESTION 118:

JCG-SRS-4816

Nerve Agent Testing

The government has identified that DMMP can directly replace GB for this test requirement. However, due to physical saturation characteristics of DMMP, a direct replacement of GB with DMMP at 4,000 mg/m³ is not possible. For tests to be completed with DMMP, the maximum challenge concentration would be 3,000 mg/m³. We request that this change to test concentration should be incorporated into this requirement.

ANSWER:

Annex A, Acquisition Statement of Work, Appendix AA – System Requirements Specification, Page A-AA- 59/272, for JCG – SRS – 4816, in the column “Verification Criteria” the starting note need to be modified.

DELETE:

Note: that Dimethyl Methylphosphonate (DMMP) may replace GB for this test.

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Note: that Dimethyl Methylphosphonate (DMMP) may replace GB for this test. If the 4 000 mg/m³ concentration cannot be achieved with DMMP, using a concentration of 3000 + 150/-0 mg/m³ is acceptable but the 75 minutes protection time stated in the requirement is to be modified such that it is not less than 100 min.

QUESTION 127:

JCG – SRS - 154

In the Annex A SOW, Appendix AA, - System Requirements Specification, in the column "Verification Criteria » the maximum score is given at 60 (max = 60 points) while in the Compliance Matrix it is set at 250. The 250 score is correct. The same error appears in the Compliance Matrix titled "6 - Annex F - Appendix FF - Phase 2D - Demonstration and Test Evaluation Compliance Matrix" in the column G "Criteria", under "Scoring Scheme" for JCG – SRS – 154 the same (max = 60 points) is to be deleted.

Note that the same errors appears in the French language version of the SOW and the Compliance Matrix.

ANSWER:

Annex A, Acquisition Statement of Work, Appendix AA – System Requirements Specification, Page A-AA- 56/272, for JCG – SRS – 154, in the column "Verification Criteria" the maximum score given in parantheses (max = 60 points) in the last paragraph is to be deleted

DELETE:

"The combined weight (max = 60 points) is to be scored according to the following:"

INSERT:

"The combined weight is to be scored according to the following:"

In the Compliance matrix titled "6 - Annex F - Appendix FF - Phase 2D - Demonstration and Test Evaluation Compliance Matrix" in the column G titled "Criteria" under "Scoring Scheme" for JCG – SRS – 154 in the first sentence, the same (max = 60 points) is to be deleted.

DELETE:

"The combined weight (max = 60 points) is to be scored according to the following:"

INSERT:

"The combined weight is to be scored according to the following:"