



**Préavis d'adjudication de contrat (PAC)
Advanced Contract Award Notice (ACAN)**

SEL: 01B46-16-102

An Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) is a notification through the open bidding methodology of the intent to award a directed contract.

An Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) allows departments and agencies to post a notice, for no less than fifteen calendar days, indicating to the supplier community that it intends to award a good, service or construction contract to a pre-identified contractor. If no other supplier submits, on or before the closing date, a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the competitive requirements of the government's contracting policy have been met. Following notification to suppliers not successful in demonstrating that their statements of capabilities meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the contract may then be awarded using the Treasury Board's electronic bidding authorities.

If other potential suppliers submit Statements of Capabilities during the fifteen calendar day posting period, and meet the requirements set out in the ACAN, the department or agency must proceed to a full tendering process on either the government's electronic tendering service or through traditional means, in order to award the contract.

Applicability of trade agreements and other obligations

Not Applicable

Objective of the ACAN

Winter Nursery plot space, labour/materials and equipment for plot bed preparation, weeds and pest control, crop maintenance during winter season and equipment and labour for harvesting 200-300 F₂ or F₃ breeding lines derived from crossing specific parental materials to develop high yield, food quality soybean varieties with pest resistance for Canadian Soybean Industry.

Statement of Work

Puerto Rico Winter Farm Soybean Seed Advancement

250 long rows, each row are 9.5 m long with at least 60 cm row spacing. Two generations are grown. Single pods will be harvested at the end of the first generation and bulked. A reserve will be taken at the end of the first cycle and shipped to the Agriculture Canada Soybean Breeder. A bulk sample from the first generation will be planted in similar rows in the second generation. At the end of the second generation single pods are to be harvested from single plants, bulked and a bulk sample is to be shipped to the Agriculture Canada Soybean Breeder.

Estimated Value

The total value of the contract will be \$ 75 751.68 (taxes are not applicable).

Time Frame

The required activities will run from November 1st, 2016 to June 30, 2017 for the first year, with three option years of one year period.

Proposed Supplier



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Illinois Crop Improvement Association Inc
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SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

Puerto Rico Winter Farm has been advancing our soybean breeding materials for many years. The soil and weather conditions there are suitable for our breeding materials. They have excellent experience in weeds and pests control for advancing soybean breeding materials. The results from the past years proved that they are reliable to deliver what we need timely for the soybean breeding program.

Illinois Crop Improvement Association Inc., can provide the correct growing conditions for our seed. There are not many Nurseries in the world that can provide the correct growing conditions for our seed. The winter nursery in Puerto Rico has the correct soil conditions and climate to produce a fall and winter crop for our Soybean Advancement Program. We have experienced excellent results from this winter nursery, they have the experience and nursery management skills required, at this point we have not experienced a crop failure.

SUPPLIERS' RIGHT TO SUBMIT A STATEMENT OF CAPABILITIES

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the services described herein, may submit a statement of capabilities in writing to the contact person identified in this Notice on or before the closing date of this Notice. The statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the stated requirements.

Closing date for the submission of the Statement of Capabilities:

October 14, 2016 at 2:00PM (Eastern Daylight Time)

Inquiries and Submission of Statements of Capabilities: requests for information shall be submitted **IN WRITING** to the contracting authority:

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