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**Amendment #14  
REQUEST FOR  
PROPOSAL**

**Amendment n ° 14  
DEMANDE DE  
PROPOSITION**

Proposal to: Public Works and Government Services  
Canada

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in  
right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and  
conditions set out herein, referred or attached hereto,  
the supplies and services listed herein or on any  
attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefore.

Propositions aux: Travaux publics et Services  
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Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à sa Majesté la  
Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou  
incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes  
ci-jointes, les articles et les services énumérés ici et sur  
toute  
feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

**Comments - Commentaires**

Questions and answers/ Les questions  
et les réponses.

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Gatineau, Quebec

<b>Title-Sujet</b> Arctic Offshore Patrol Ship (AOPS) and Joint Support Ship (JSS) In-Service Support/Le soutien en service (SES) du navire de patrouille extracôtier et de l'Arctique (NPEA) et du navire de soutien interarmées (NSI)	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> W8476-133818/C/B	<b>Date</b> November, 1 2016/le 1 novembre 2016
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> W8482-156698	
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-16-00738522	
<b>Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin</b>  <b>November 8<sup>th</sup> 2016</b> at 14 :00 /le 8 novembre 2016	<b>Time Zone / Fuseau horaire</b> Eastern Standard Time (EST) / Heure avancé de l'est
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<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>



This Amendment #14 is being issued to make changes to the Arctic Offshore Patrol Ship (AOPS) and Joint Support Ship (JSS) In-Service Support RFP and to answer questions received against this solicitation.

## **Part 1 Amendments to the RFP**

NIL

## **Part 2 Questions and Answers**

Q202, Ref Annex K Attachment 5 Rated Criteria Certificate: Canada has included the Rated Criteria Certificate as Attachment 5 to Annex K in the AJISS proposal. The Certificate asks Bidders to include their commitment for each of the four pillars, including Identified Transactions under the areas of Defence Sector and Skills Development. The commitment value in the template indicates a percentage figure rather than dollar value for transactions. However, the RFP on page 60 and 61 states that "The Bidder with the highest dollar value...." will receive the total points. As the contract value is yet to be identified and transactions are calculated and evaluated as dollar values, can Canada confirm that Bidders should include these commitments as a total dollar value rather than as percentages against an unknown contract value? Also, where does this certificate belong? In the ITB Management Plan, or in Part 4, Certifications?

A202, Refer to Amendment 13 Part 1 #8 for confirmation on how to provide commitments. Refer to amendment 13 Part 1 #9 for estimated contract value and estimated value of spares. The Annex K Attachment 5 Rated Criteria Certificate should be submitted in Section II along with the other Value Proposition documents.

Q203, RFP: ITB / Value Proposition Plans: Bidders are required to submit a number of Value Proposition documents and certificates in addition to the four mandatory plans in their proposals. Can Bidder's submit all these documents, including the four mandatory plans, as one complete document with appropriate formatting and attachments? If so, can Canada confirm that this will not impact the 50 page limit which is associated only with the four mandatory plans?

A203, Bidders should submit all documents pertaining to their response to ITB and Value Proposition in Section II of their proposal as per RFP Part 3 Article 3.1 a). Regarding page limitations Refer Amendment 13 A187

Q204, RFP, Annex E, Para 7.28: Care, Custody & Control: With respect to Amendment #1 and the answer to Question #47, we note that the provisions set out in the RFP, Annex E, 1029 09 fall under the limitation of liability in Article 7.24 of Part 7, as do all the provisions of Appendices D and E, due to the order or precedence set out in Article 7.18 of Part 7. We would like to request two further clarifications in relation to Article 7.28 of Part 7 ("Care, Custody & Control"), please. Please confirm that: 1. the Contractor is only liable for damage it (or its subcontractors) directly causes and not damage to a vessel caused by a third party (even if this happens while the vessel is in the care, custody and control of the Contractor); and 2. Any liability under Article 7.28 is subject to the limitation of liability set out in Article 7.24.

A204, In response to the first part of this two part question; Refer to: 2035 24 (2008-05-12) Liability, 2035 23 (2008-05-12) Government Property, Article 2.

To answer part 2 of the question the Limitation of Liability established in 7.24 applies to all terms and conditions of the resulting contract.

Q205, Financial Evaluation Spreadsheet: The Direct Hourly Labour Rates for years 5 to 8 are adjusted for Economic Price Adjustments based on Year 4 labour rates. Will there be any provision for adjustments for government mandated increases in costs? For example, Canada and the provinces have agreed to increases in CPP rates that in their estimates will increase the maximum contributions by 67% between 2018 and 2025.



A205, There are no provisions for this situation in the contract. In this regard, the Bidder is referred to Part 7, 7.27 Changes to the Work and more specifically to 7.27.2 and 7.27.8.

Q206, RFP, Section 6.1 of Attachment 2 to Part 4: In this section, it describes how Bidders are awarded points for submitting transactions in relation to Skills Development. Such transactions could be made in a variety of ways, however, the Transaction Sheet template provided by Canada does not support some of the ways in which these transactions may occur, with the list of "Activity Types" available limited to Consortium, Investment Framework, General Investment, Post-secondary Investment, Purchase, Technology Transfer and Venture Capital Fund. A transaction example in this area where the full value could not be claimed would be in knowledge transfer. Will Canada consider adding an addition Activity Type to the list to accommodate this form of transaction, which clearly aligns with the provided ITB Objectives, or recommend how bidders should mark them on the Transaction Sheet?

A206, For transactions in relation to Skills Development, Bidders are asked to check off the Skills Development box and provide justification under Details of Transaction, VP Activity. In addition, it is recommended that knowledge/technology transfer be marked as a General Investment Activity Type on the transaction sheet.