

1. Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN)

An ACAN is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that a department or agency intends to award a contract for goods, services or construction to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a statement of capabilities. If no supplier submits a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in the ACAN, the contracting officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

2. Definition of the requirement

National Research Council Canada requires six tests based on the CAN/ULC-S134 standard to be conducted. The supplier must be accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 to conduct CAN/ULC-S134 tests.

A reusable steel support frame (design provided by NRC) will be constructed in front of the CAN/ULC-S134 test wall to support a set of window frame assemblies. For each test, 18 window assemblies (provided by NRC) will be installed on the support frame. Fire testing will then be conducted according to the CAN/ULC-S134 requirements. After the test, the windows will be removed from the support frame and disposed before proceeding with the next test.

A report meeting the CAN/ULC-S134 requirements must be provided for each test. All videos, photos and data must also be provided in electronic form.

3. Criteria for assessment of the Statement of Capabilities (Minimum Essential Requirements)

- (1) The supplier lab must have an existing test setup for conducting tests in accordance with CAN/ULC-S134.
- (2) The supplier lab must have the ability to conduct calibration tests, testing and reporting activities as per the latest version of CAN/ULC-S134.
- (3) The supplier lab must be accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 to conduct CAN/ULC-S134 tests.

4. Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier

Intertek is the only known lab that has an existing test setup for conducting full-scale fire tests in accordance with CAN/ULC-S134 and is accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 to conduct the CAN/ULC-S134 test.

- 5 This ACAN contract serves for the immediate contract of \$ 315,000.00 and for future requirements of similar size and scope for 2 additional years.
6. Suppliers' right to submit a statement of capabilities

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the goods, services or construction services described in the ACAN 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 advertised requirements.

7. Closing date for a submission of a statement of capabilities

The closing date and time for accepting statements of capabilities is Nov 26, 2016

8. Inquiries and submission of statements of capabilities

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