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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

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Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation F1686-150029/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 004
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Instructions: See Herein

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Signature	Date

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

QUESTIONS AND CORRESPONDENT ANSWERS:

QUESTION 1

Given the large amount of Tier 2 RFP's out right now and the upcoming holidays, would the Crown please grant an extension to January 4th, 2017.

ANSWER 1

Canada has revised the question and the RFP has been amended accordingly. See RFP modification below.

QUESTION 2

1. We understand that the purpose of this requirement is for vendors to demonstrate they have provided large volumes of IT professional resources consistently and effectively for a minimum of 6 consecutive months. Therefore, if a Bidder is able to demonstrate that 18 resources were delivered under the same Contract for the same six consecutive months would the Crown confirm that this would score 20 points for each group of six – or 60 points?
2. Since demonstrating the successful delivery of 18+ resources under the same contract for 6 consecutive months or greater, would be more aligned to the potential LOE under a resulting contract, would the Crown considering awarding bonus points to vendors that could meet this requirement with only one contract?

ANSWER 2

1. Each proposed contract (to a maximum of 3 contracts) that meets the subject rated criteria C.R2 will get 20 points. Bidders who wants to get a maximum score of 60 points must propose 3 contracts that meets C.R2.

For clarification purpose, if a Bidder propose a contract that has 18 resources (as mentioned in the example above) delivered under the same contract for the same six consecutive months, then the score for this contract will be 20 points.

Canada has revised the question and, for clarity purpose, the RFP has been amended accordingly. See RFP modification below.

2. Canada has revised the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.

QUESTION 3

Given the high amount of substantiation required for this bid and taking into consideration the time of both its release and submission deadline (the height of holiday season), we formally request to have this solicitation extended to Jan 6th of 2017.

ANSWER 3

Canada has revised the question and the RFP has been amended accordingly. See RFP modification below.

QUESTION 4

1. Many public sector clients have been engaging in smaller contracts for Java resources (e.g., up to \$500,000) or requesting Java resources as part of a larger contract for multiple roles, including developers. In consideration of typical buying patterns for Java resources and to encourage competition, will the Crown accept as meeting this mandatory requirement either an informatics professional services contract exclusively for Java developers with a minimum value of \$500,000 or an informatics professional services contract for IT development resources with a minimum value of \$1 million, which included Java resources?
2. Many clients are not in a position to provide signed letters as they carry legal implications. As such, would the Crown please amend requirement C.M1 to allow bidders to provide either a letter from its client (referencing a contract award date and a contract serial number or other unique contract identifier), or a signed contract (referencing a contract award date, the value of the contract and a contract serial number or other unique contract identifier), that shows that the Bidder is providing or has provided such services under a contract.
3. In relation to C.M2 *"The Bidder must have demonstrated contract experience in supplying all of the following resource categories*, for the required Minimum Billable Days per category, within the past 5 years prior to the solicitation closing date. The services provided must have been provided under a maximum of 5 contracts for all 8 categories."*
This requirement, as it stands, could limit the number of eligible bidders, as this 8 resource category configuration would be fairly rare in any single project. The current billable day requirements are extremely high and very few companies will be able to comply. We respectfully request that the Crown increase the number of contracts to 10.
4. The corporate requirements are extremely difficult for any one company to meet, (i.e., the number of billable days required to score full points for C.R1), which seriously restricts the respondents. Would the Crown please consider reducing the Programmer/Software Developer Level 1 days by half to 1430 days?
5. Given the high volume of RFP's that have been issued and that we are currently responding to, as well as winter holiday vacations, will the Crown please provide an extension for the new year, January 16th?

ANSWER 4

1. Canada has revised the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.
2. Canada has revised the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.
3. Canada has revised the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.
4. Canada has revised the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.
5. Canada has revised the question and the RFP has been amended accordingly. See RFP modification below.

RFP AMENDMENT:

1. At page 1 of the RFP

DELETE: Solicitation closes at 02:00 PM on 2016-12-19

INSERT: Solicitation closes at 02:00 PM on 2017-01-03

2. At Rated Criteria C.R2 of the Corporate Rated Requirement of the RFP

DELETE: C.R2 in its entirety; and

INSERT: C.R2; as follows:

C.R2	The Bidder should demonstrate its contract experience in supplying 6 resources within a period of six consecutive months. The experience must have occurred during the five years prior to the initial solicitation closing date. To obtain points, the Bidder is to demonstrate that each contracts* (to a maximum of three) meets the following: a. each contract is to have been awarded within the past 5 years of the Initial Solicitation Closing Date**; and b. each contract is to have a minimum value of \$1,000,000.00. Bidders must provide a completed Appendix C to Attachment B for each contract. * Contracts referenced for C.M1 and C.M2 can be used to meet this criteria. **Initial Solicitation Closing Date is December 19, 2016.	60	0 points if there are no contracts demonstrating this experience 20 points for each contract meeting this criterion, up to a maximum of 60 points.	
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ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED