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INVITATION TO TENDER

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SUPPORT THE USE OF APPRENTICES

The Government of Canada proposes to support the employment of apprentices in federal construction and maintenance projects. Refer to SI10.

INTEGRITY PROVISIONS - BID

Changes have been made to the Integrity Provisions - Bid as of 2016-04-04. See GI01, Integrity Provision-Bid of R2710T of the General Instructions for more information.

LISTING of SUBCONTRACTORS

As per GI07 of R2710T you should provide using Annex D at Bid closing a list of Subcontractors that have 20% or more of the tendered price value.

PWGSC UPDATE ON ASBESTOS USE

Effective April 1, 2016, all Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) contracts for new construction and major rehabilitation will prohibit the use of asbestos-containing materials. Further information can be found at <http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/comm/vedette-features/2016-04-19-00-eng.html>

ADDITION OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATION-CONTRACT

Take note of the additional paragraph to be included in clause R2810D identified in SC05.

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The following GI's are included by reference and are available at the following Web Site <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/R>

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (SI)

SI01 BID DOCUMENTS

1. The following are the bid documents:

- a. Invitation to Tender - Page 1;
- b. Special Instructions to Bidders;
- c. General Instructions - Construction Services - Bid Security Requirements R2710T (2016-04-04)
- d. Clauses & Conditions identified in "Contract Documents";
- e. Drawings and Specifications;
- f. Bid and Acceptance Form and related Appendix(s); and
- g. Any amendment issued prior to solicitation closing.

Submission of a bid constitutes acknowledgement that the Bidder has read and agrees to be bound by these documents.

2. General Instructions - Construction Services - Bid Security Requirements R2710T is incorporated by reference and is set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions (SACC) Manual, issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). The SACC Manual is available on the PWGSC Web site: <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/R>

SI02 ENQUIRIES DURING THE SOLICITATION PERIOD

1. Enquiries regarding this bid must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer named on the Invitation to Tender - Page 1 as early as possible within the solicitation period. Except for the approval of alternative materials as described in GI15 of R2710T, enquiries should be received no later than five (5) calendar days prior to the date set for solicitation closing to allow sufficient time to provide a response. Enquiries received after that time may not result in an answer being provided.
2. To ensure consistency and quality of the information provided to Bidders, the Contracting Officer shall examine the content of the enquiry and shall decide whether or not to issue an amendment.
3. All enquiries and other communications related to this bid sent throughout the solicitation period are to be directed ONLY to the Contracting Officer named on the Invitation to Tender - Page 1. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

SI03 OPTIONAL SITE VISIT

There will be a site visit on **FRIDAY DECEMBER 16, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m..** Interested bidders are to meet at **1 CHALLENGER DRIVE, DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA (BIO MAIN ENTRANCE).**

SI04 REVISION OF BID

A bid may be revised by facsimile in accordance with GI10 of R2710T. The facsimile number for receipt of revisions is **902.496.5016**

SI05 BID RESULTS

1. A public bid opening will be held in the office designated on the Front Page "Invitation to Tender" for the receipt of bids shortly after the time set for solicitation closing.
2. Following solicitation closing, bid results may be obtained by calling **902.496.5001**

SI06 INSUFFICIENT FUNDING

In the event that the lowest compliant bid exceeds the amount of funding allocated for the Work, Canada in its sole discretion may

- a. cancel the solicitation; or
- b. obtain additional funding and award the Contract to the Bidder submitting the lowest compliant bid; and/or
- c. negotiate a reduction in the bid price and/or scope of work of not more than 15% with the Bidder submitting the lowest compliant bid. Should an agreement satisfactory to Canada not be reached, Canada shall exercise option (a) or (b).

SI07 BID VALIDITY PERIOD

1. Canada reserves the right to seek an extension to the bid validity period prescribed in BA04 of the Bid and Acceptance Form. Upon notification in writing from Canada, Bidders shall have the option to either accept or reject the proposed extension.
2. If the extension referred to in paragraph 1. of SI07 is accepted, in writing, by all those who submitted bids, then Canada shall continue immediately with the evaluation of the bids and its approvals processes.
3. If the extension referred to in paragraph 1. of SI07 is not accepted in writing by all those who submitted bids then Canada shall, at its sole discretion, either
 - a. continue to evaluate the bids of those who have accepted the proposed extension and seek the necessary approvals; or
 - b. cancel the invitation to tender.
4. The provisions expressed herein do not in any manner limit Canada's rights in law or under GI11 of R2710T

SI08 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

The successful Contractor will be provided with one paper copy of the sealed and signed drawings, the specifications and the amendments upon acceptance of the offer. Obtaining more copies shall be the responsibility of the Contractor including costs.

SI09 PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES CANADA APPRENTICE PROCUREMENT INITIATIVE

1. To encourage employers to participate in apprenticeship training, Contractors bidding on construction and maintenance contracts by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) are being asked to sign a voluntary certification, signaling their commitment to hire and train apprentices.
2. Canada is facing skills shortages across various sectors and regions, especially in the skilled trades. Equipping Canadians with skills and training is a shared responsibility. The Government of Canada made a commitment to support the use of apprentices in federal construction and maintenance contracts. Contractors have an important role in supporting apprentices through hiring and training and are encouraged to certify that they are providing opportunities to apprentices as part of doing business with the Government of Canada.
3. The Government of Canada is encouraging apprenticeships and careers in the skilled trades. In addition, the government offers a tax credit to employers to encourage them to hire apprentices. Information on this tax measure administered by the Canada Revenue Agency can be found at: www.cra-arc.gc.ca. Employers are also encouraged to find out what additional information and supports are available from their respective provincial or territorial jurisdiction.
4. Signed certifications (Appendix 3) will be used to better understand contractor use of apprentices on Government of Canada maintenance and construction contracts and may inform future policy and program development.
5. The Contractor hereby certifies the following:

In order to help meet demand for skilled trades people, the Contractor agrees to use, and require its subcontractors to use, reasonable commercial efforts to hire and train registered apprentices, to strive to fully utilize allowable apprenticeship ratios * and to respect any hiring requirements prescribed by provincial or territorial statutes

The Contractor hereby consents to this information being collected and held by PWGSC, and Employment and Social Development Canada to support work to gather data on the hiring and training of apprentices in federal construction and maintenance contracts.

To support this initiative, a voluntary certification signaling the Contractor's commitment to hire and train apprentices is available at Appendix 3.

If you accept fill out and sign Appendix 3.

** The journey person-apprentice ratio is defined as the number of qualified/certified journeypersons that an employer must employ in a designated trade or occupation in order to be eligible to register an apprentice as determined by provincial/territorial (P/T) legislation, regulation, policy directive or by law issued by the responsible authority or agency.*

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SI11 WEB SITES

The connection to some of the Web sites in the solicitation documents is established by the use of hyperlinks. The following is a list of the addresses of the Web sites:

Treasury Board Appendix L, Acceptable Bonding Companies

<http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=14494§ion=text#appl>

Buy and Sell

<https://www.achatsetventes-buyandsell.gc.ca>

Canadian economic sanctions <http://www.international.gc.ca/sanctions/index.aspx?lang=eng>

Contractor Performance Evaluation Report (Form PWGSC-TPSGC 2913)

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/documents/2913.pdf>

Bid Bond (form PWGSC-TPSGC 504)

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/documents/504.pdf>

Performance Bond (form PWGSC-TPSGC 505)

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/documents/505.pdf>

Labour and Material Payment Bond (form PWGWSC-TPSGC 506)

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/documents/506.pdf>

Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions (SACC) Manual

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/R>

PWGSC, Industrial Security Services

<http://ssi-iss.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/index-eng.html>

PWGSC, Code of Conduct and Certifications

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/cndt-cndct/contexte-context-eng.html>

Construction and Consultant Services Contract Administration Forms Real Property Contracting

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/formulaires-forms-eng.html>

Declaration Form

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/formulaire-form-eng.html>

SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS (SC)

SC01 INDUSTRIAL SECURITY RELATED REQUIREMENTS, DOCUMENT SAFEGUARDING

There is no document security requirement applicable to this Contract.

SC02 INSURANCE TERMS

1) Insurance Contracts

- (a) The Contractor must, at the Contractor's expense, obtain and maintain insurance contracts in accordance with the requirements of the Certificate of Insurance. Coverage must be placed with an Insurer licensed to carry out business in Canada.
- (b) Compliance with the insurance requirements does not release the Contractor from or reduce its liability under the Contract. The Contractor is responsible for deciding if additional insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the Contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any additional insurance coverage is at the Contractor's expense, and for its own benefit and protection.

2) Period of Insurance

- (a) The policies required in the Certificate of Insurance must be in force from the date of contract award and be maintained throughout the duration of the Contract.
- (b) The Contractor must be responsible to provide and maintain coverage for Products/Completed Operations hazards on its Commercial General Liability insurance policy, for a period of six (6) years beyond the date of the Certificate of Substantial Performance.

3) Proof of Insurance

- (a) Before commencement of the Work, and no later than thirty (30) days after acceptance of its bid, the Contractor must deposit with Canada a Certificate of Insurance on the form attached herein.
- (b) Upon request by Canada, the Contractor must provide originals or certified true copies of all contracts of insurance maintained by the Contractor pursuant to the Certificate of Insurance.

4) Insurance Proceeds

In the event of a claim, the Contractor must, without delay, do such things and execute such documents as are necessary to effect payment of the proceeds.

5) Deductible

The payment of monies up to the deductible amount made in satisfaction of a claim must be borne by the Contractor.

SC03 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION-CONTRACT

R2810D General Condition is modified to include the following GC1.22.

1. Contractors shall take note that the performance of the Contractor during and upon completion of the services shall be evaluated by Canada. The evaluation includes all or some of the following criteria:
 - a. quality of workmanship
 - b. time
 - c. project management
 - d. contract management
 - e. health and safety
2. A weighting factor of 20 points will be assigned to each of the five criteria as follows:
 - a. unacceptable: 0 to 5 points
 - b. not satisfactory: 6 to 10 points
 - c. satisfactory: 11 to 16 points
 - d. superior: 17 to 20 points
3. The consequences resulting from the performance evaluation are as follows:
 - a. For an overall rating of 85% or higher, a congratulation letter is sent to the Contractor.
 - b. For an overall rating of between 51% and 84%, a standard, meets expectations letter, is sent to the Contractor.
 - c. For an overall rating of between 30% and 50%, a warning letter is sent to the Contractor indicating that if, within the next two (2) years, they receive 50% or less on another evaluation, the firm may be suspended from any new PWGSC solicitations for construction services, architectural and engineering services or facility maintenance services, of real property projects, for a period of one year.
 - d. For an overall rating of less than 30%, a suspension letter is sent to the Contractor indicating that the firm is suspended from any new PWGSC solicitations for construction services, architectural and engineering services or facility maintenance services, of real property projects, for a period of one year.
 - e. For a rating of 5 points or less on any one criterion, a suspension letter is sent to the Contractor indicating that the firm is suspended from any new PWGSC solicitations for construction services, architectural and engineering services or facility maintenance services, of real property projects, for a period of one year.

The form PWGSC-TPSGC 2913, Select - Contractor Performance Evaluation Report (CPERF), is used to record the performance.

SC04 INTERPRETATION

R2810D General Condition GC1.1.2 Terminology is modified to include the following,

“Architectural and Engineering Services”: means services to provide a range of investigation and recommendation reports, planning, design, preparation, or supervision of the construction, repair, renovation or restoration of a work and includes contract administration services, for real property projects.

“Construction Services”: means construction, repair, renovation or restoration of any work except a vessel and includes; the supply and erection of a prefabricated structure; dredging; demolition; environmental services related to a real property; or, the hire of equipment to be used in or incidentally to the execution of any construction services referred to above.

“Facility Maintenance Services”: means services related to activities normally associated with the maintenance of a facility and keeping spaces, structures and infrastructure in proper operating condition in a routine, scheduled, or anticipated fashion to prevent failure and/or degradation including inspection, testing, servicing, classification as to serviceability, repairs, rebuilding and reclamation, as well as cleaning, waste removal, snow removal, lawn care, replacement of flooring, lighting or plumbing fixtures, painting and other minor works.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS (CD)

1. The following are the contract documents:
 - a. Contract Page when signed by Canada;
 - b. Duly completed Bid and Acceptance Form and any Appendices attached thereto;
 - c. Drawings and Specifications;
 - d. General Conditions and clauses

GC1	General Provisions – Construction Services	R2810D	(2016-04-04);
GC2	Administration of the Contract-	R2820D	(2016-01-28);
GC3	Execution and Control of the Work	R2830D	(2015-02-25);
GC4	Protective Measures	R2840D	(2008-05-12);
GC5	Terms of Payment	R2850D	(2016-01-28);
GC6	Delays and Changes in the Work	R2860D	(2016-01-28);
GC7	Default, Suspension or Termination of Contract	R2870D	(2008-05-12);
GC8	Dispute Resolution	R2882D	(2016-01-28);
GC9	Contract Security	R2890D	(2014-06-26);
GC10	Insurance	R2900D	(2008-05-12);
	Allowable Costs for Contract Changes Under GC6.4.1	R2950D	(2015-02-25);
	Supplementary Conditions		
 - e. Any amendment issued or any allowable bid revision received before the date and time set for solicitation closing;
 - f. Any amendment incorporated by mutual agreement between Canada and the Contractor before acceptance of the bid; and
 - g. Any amendment or variation of the contract documents that is made in accordance with the General Conditions.
2. The documents identified by title, number and date above are incorporated by reference and are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions (SACC) Manual, issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). The SACC Manual is available on the PWGSC Web site: <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>
3. The language of the contract documents is the language of the Bid and Acceptance Form submitted.

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BID AND ACCEPTANCE FORM (BA)

BA01 IDENTIFICATION

EB144-172238 BEDFORD INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY - SEAWATER COOLING SYSTEM
PROJECT #: R.082149.001

BA02 BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS OF BIDDER

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ PBN: _____

E-mail address: _____

Industrial Security Program Organisation Number (ISP ORG#) _____
(when required)

BA03 THE OFFER

The Bidder offers to Canada to perform and complete the Work for the above named project in accordance with the Bid Documents for the Total Bid Amount of

\$ _____ excluding applicable tax(es).
(amount in numbers)

BA04 BID VALIDITY PERIOD

The bid shall not be withdrawn for a period of **THIRTY (30)** days following the date of solicitation closing.

BA05 ACCEPTANCE AND CONTRACT

Upon acceptance of the Contractor's offer by Canada, a binding Contract shall be formed between Canada and the Contractor. The documents forming the Contract shall be the contract documents identified in Contract Documents (CD).

BA06 CONSTRUCTION TIME

The Contractor shall perform and complete the Work by **MARCH 31, 2017**

BA07 BID SECURITY

The Bidder is enclosing bid security with its bid in accordance with GI08 - Bid Security Requirements of R2710T - General Instructions - Construction Services - Bid Security Requirements.

BA08 SIGNATURE

Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Bidder

Signature

Date

APPENDIX 1 - INTEGRITY PROVISIONS

(Text copied from the Ineligibility and Suspension Policy <http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html> dated 2016-04-04)

List of names: All bidders, regardless of their status under the Policy, must submit the following information when participating in a procurement process or real property transaction:

- bidders that are corporate entities, including those bidding as joint ventures, must provide a complete list of the names of all current directors or, for a privately owned corporation, the names of the owners of the corporation;
- bidders bidding as sole proprietors, including sole proprietors bidding as joint ventures, must provide a complete list of the names of all owners; or
- bidders that are a partnership do not need to provide a list of names.

If the list of names has not been received in a procurement process or real property transaction by the time the evaluation of bids or offers is completed, or has not been received in a procurement process or real property transaction where no bid/offer will be submitted, the contracting authority will inform the bidder of a time within which to provide the information. Providing the required names is a mandatory requirement for award of a contract or real property agreement. Failure to provide the list of names within the time specified will render a bid or offer non-responsive, or the bidder otherwise disqualified for award of a contract or real property agreement.

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APPENDIX 2 - VOLUNTARY CERTIFICATION TO SUPPORT THE USE OF APPRENTICES

Note; The contractor will be asked to fill out a report every six months or at project completion as per sample "Voluntary Reports for Apprentices Employed during the Contract" provided at Annex C

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Legal Name: _____

Solicitation Number: _____

Number of company employees: _____

Number of apprentices planned to be working on this contract: _____

Trades of those apprentices:

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APPENDIX 5 – DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE'S AUTHORITY

TO BE PROVIDED AT CONTRACT AWARD.

Contracting Authority is :

Name : JACQUELYN STEVENSON
Title : SUPPLY OFFICER
Department : PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES CANADA
Division : ACQUISITIONS
Telephone : 902.403.3520
e-mail : Jacquelyn.stevenson@pwgsc.gc.ca

Technical Authority is :

Name : _____
Title : _____
Department : _____
Division : _____
Telephone : ____ - ____ - ____
e-mail : _____

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ANNEX A - CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (Not required at solicitation closing)

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

Description and Location of Work					Contract No. EB144-172238	
BEDFORD INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY - SEAWATER COOLING SYSTEM					Project No. R.082149.001	
Name of Insurer, Broker or Agent		Address (No., Street)		City	Province	Postal Code
Name of Insured (Contractor)		Address (No., Street)		City	Province	Postal Code
Additional Insured <i>Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Public Works and Government Services</i>						
Type of Insurance	Insurer Name and Policy Number	Inception Date D / M / Y	Expiry Date D / M / Y	Limits of Liability		
Commercial General Liability Umbrella/Excess Liability				Per Occurrence	Annual General Aggregate	Complete Operations Aggregate
				\$	\$	\$
I certify that the above policies were issued by insurers in the course of their Insurance business in Canada, are currently in force and include the applicable insurance coverage's stated on page 2 of this Certificate of Insurance, including advance notice of cancellation / reduction in coverage.						
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Name of person authorized to sign on behalf of Insurer(s) (Officer, Agent, Broker)				Telephone number		
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Signature				Date D / M / Y		

General

The insurance policies required on page 1 of the Certificate of Insurance must be in force and must include the insurance coverage listed under the corresponding type of insurance on this page.

The policies must insure the Contractor and must include Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Public Works and Government Services as an additional Insured. The insurance policies must be endorsed to provide Canada with not less than thirty (30) days notice in writing in advance of a cancellation of insurance or any reduction in coverage.

Without increasing the limit of liability, the policies must protect all insured parties to the full extent of coverage provided. Further, the policies must apply to each Insured in the same manner and to the same extent as if a separate policy had been issued to each.

Commercial General Liability

The insurance coverage provided must not be substantially less than that provided by the latest edition of IBC Form 2100.

The policy must either include or be endorsed to include coverage for the following exposures or hazards if the Work is subject thereto:

- (a) Blasting.
- (b) Pile driving and caisson work.
- (c) Underpinning.
- (d) Removal or weakening of support of any structure or land whether such support be natural or otherwise if the work is performed by the insured contractor.

The policy must have the following minimum limits:

- (a) **\$5,000,000** Each Occurrence Limit;
- (b) **\$10,000,000** General Aggregate Limit per policy year if the policy contains a General Aggregate; and
- (c) **\$5,000,000** Products/Completed Operations Aggregate Limit.

Umbrella or excess liability insurance may be used to achieve the required limits.

ANNEX B - VOLUNTARY REPORT FOR APPRENTICES EMPLOYED DURING THE CONTRACT

(This report is not required at bid deposit)

The Contractor should compile and maintain records on the number of apprentices and their trade that were hired to work on the contract.

The Contractor should provide this data in accordance with the format below. If no apprentices were hired during the contract period, the Contractor should still provide a "nil" report.

The data should be submitted six months after the Contract award or at the end of the Contract, whichever comes first to the Contracting Authority.

Number of apprentices hired	Trade

ANNEX C - LISTING OF SUBCONTRACTORS

- 1) In accordance with GI07 - Listing of Subcontractors and Suppliers of R2710T- General Instructions - Construction Services - Bid Security Requirements, the Bidder should provide a list of Subcontractors with his Bid.
- 2) The Bidder should submit the list of Subcontractors and for any portion of the Work valued at 20% or greater of the submitted Bid Price.

	Subcontractor	Division	Estimated value of work
1			
2			
3			
4			
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10			
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12			
13			
14			
15			