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Public Works and Government Services Canada
ATB Place North Tower
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Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer

Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes

Departmental Individual Standing Offer (DISO)
Offre à commandes individuelle du département(OCID)

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Offer remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'offre demeurent les mêmes.

Comments - Commentaires

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

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Northern Contaminated Site Program
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Title - Sujet Environmental Consulting Services	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EW699-170520/A	Date 2016-12-20
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client PWGSC EW699-170520	Amendment No. - N° modif. 001
File No. - N° de dossier NCS-6-39137 (012)	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$NCS-012-10916	
Date of Original Request for Standing Offer Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale	
2016-12-02	
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2017-01-19	
Time Zone Fuseau horaire Central Standard Time CST	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Sarna (NCS), Crystal	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur ncs012
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (204) 298-2742 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (204) 983-7796
Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	
Security - Sécurité This revision does not change the security requirements of the Offer. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de la présente offre.	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Acknowledgement copy required	Yes - Oui	No - Non
Accusé de réception requis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Offeror hereby acknowledges this revision to its Offer. Le proposant constate, par la présente, cette révision à son offre.		
Signature	Date	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of offeror. (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du proposant. (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
For the Minister - Pour le Ministre		

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This solicitation amendment #001 is raised to modify solicitation EW699-170520/A dated 2016-12-01 as follows:

1) REVISED CLOSING DATE OF: 2:00 PM CST on January 19, 2017

If your bid has already been forwarded and you wish to revise the same, this revision should be mailed in a sealed envelope and reach the Bid Receiving Unit identified on Page 1 before the closing date. The bid number and closing date are to be shown on the sealed envelope.

2) Refer to "Return Bids to:" section on the solicitation cover page:

DELETE: Public Works and Government Services Canada
ATB Place North Tower 10025 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton
Alberta
T5J 1S6
Bid Fax: (780) 497-3510

INSERT: Public Works and Government Services Canada
Room 100-167 Lombard Avenue
Winnipeg
Manitoba
R3B 0T6
Bid Fax: (204) 983-0338

3) Refer to "Appendix B" under "Instructions":

DELETE: "4. The hourly rate provided must be equal to or greater than the hourly rate provided for the position listed below it. For example, if the firm does not have an Intermediate Personnel, the hourly rate provided must be equal to or greater than the hourly rate provided for the Junior Personnel."

4) Refer to "Appendix B- Price Proposal":

DELETE: "G Summary of Estimated Costs
Sub-Total Evaluated Rates for Professional Fees (A + B + C)"

INSERT: "F Summary of Estimated Costs
Sub-Total Evaluated Rates for Professional Fees (A + B)"

- 5) Refer to “3.2 Rated Requirements” delete and replace with the following (**modifications have been highlighted**):

3.2 RATED REQUIREMENTS

Proposals meeting the mandatory requirements will be evaluated in accordance with the following criteria. The clarity of the proposal writing will form part of the evaluation (use of language, document structure, conciseness and completeness of the response):

<p>1.0 Technical and Management - <u>Point Rated Criteria</u></p> <p>Discussions on corporate experience, knowledge and methodology, and team experience for each task are to be clearly demonstrated for all bullets (sub tasks) identified within the scope of work.</p> <p>The technical bid should address clearly and in sufficient depth the points that are subject to the evaluation criteria against which the bid will be evaluated. Simply repeating the statement contained in the bid solicitation will not be sufficient.</p>		
<p>1.1 Technical</p>		
Task	Criteria	Total Pts Available
<p><u>i) Corporate Experience:</u></p> <p>The bidder must demonstrate:</p> <p>a) the firm’s specific depth and breadth of relevant experience within the past 5 years in completing the tasks including associated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • experience in working with First Nations; • experience in working with various levels of government; • experience in working in remote locations; and, • experience working in locations north of 60. <p><u>ii) Knowledge /Methodology:</u></p> <p>The bidder must demonstrate:</p> <p>a) knowledge of each task and associated sub-tasks that would be identified in a Call-up for each task (discipline);</p>		

- b) a methodology in approaching each task;
- c) typical challenges when completing and delivering tasks for each discipline, along with related mitigative measures; and
- d) proposed approaches to logistical planning for the tasks as appropriate, including those related to northern* remote** locations.

* "Northern" is defined as north of 60 degrees latitude (Yukon, NWT, Nunavut)

** "Remote" is defined as having no all-season road access connected to major centres.

iii) Team Experience:

The bidder must provide:

- a) a CV for each of 2 core team members plus one core alternate for each of the Tasks 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3 and 1.1.4:
 - one core team member will be a Senior Professional and the other core team member will be an Intermediate Professional;
- b) a CV for 1 core team member plus one core alternate for each of Tasks 1.1.5 up to and including 1.1.10:
 - the core team member can be either a Senior Professional or an Intermediate Professional;
- c) each CV will demonstrate relevant and specific training and experience and certifications to a maximum of 3 pages with font size no less than 10 point;
- d) the core alternate team member can be either a Senior Professional or an Intermediate Professional;
- e) it is expected that core team members will be identified on each call-up.
- f) Senior Professionals must possess a minimum of 15 years of relevant experience
Intermediate Professionals must possess a minimum of 8 years of relevant experience.

NOTE: Substitution of key individuals identified as core team members or core alternates is subject to approval by Canada as per GI 28 Status and Availability of Resources and GC 23 Changes in the Consultant team.

The points awarded under the "Team Experience" section are a composite reflection of the entire team strength and all team members are equally considered for evaluation purposes.

6) Refer to "SRE 5 TOTAL SCORE":

INSERT:

The table below illustrates an example where all three bids are responsive and the selection of the contractor is determined by a 70/30 ratio of technical merit and price, respectively. The total available points equals 135 and the lowest evaluated price is \$45,000 (45).

Basis of Selection – Highest Combined Rating Technical Merit (70%) and Price (30%)

		Bidder 1	Bidder 2	Bidder 3
Overall Technical Score		115/135	89/135	92/135
Bid Evaluated Price		\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00
Calculations	Technical Merit Score	115/135 x 70 = 59.63	89/135 x 70 = 46.15	92/135 x 70 = 47.70
	Pricing Score	45/55 x 30 = 24.55	45/50 x 30 = 27.00	45/45 x 30 = 47.70
Combined Rating		84.18	73.15	77.70
Overall Rating		1 st	3 rd	2 nd

7) Questions & Answers:

Q1) Corporate Experience – Can PWGSC confirm that the Corporate Experience for a sub-consultant can be included in the proposal and that it will be evaluated as part of the rated requirements?

A1) Yes sub-consultants can be included in the proposal. Refer to revisions of "3.2 Rated Requirements".

Q2) Team Experience – Can PWGSC confirm that team members can include both consultant (prime contractor) and sub-consultant team member experience can be included in the proposal and evaluated as part of the rated requirements?

A2) Yes sub-consultants can be included in the proposal. Refer to revisions of "3.2 Rated Requirements".

Q3) The pricing form states at item "G" on the form, that the "**Sub-Total Evaluated Rates for Professional Fees**" will be based on a total of (A+B+C). Should this instead be based on a total of (A+B), or is there a calculation for value C? Also, Item F appears to be absent from the form. (pages 94-96 of RFP)

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A3) Please refer to revision of Appendix B – Price Proposal.

Q4) EW699-170521/A Question: Is there a definition that should be used regarding Remote and Northern?

- Typically, northern is defined as North of 60. In this case, is it referring instead to areas where winter seasonal temperatures occur?
- Is remote defined as a location where no all-weather roads exist for access, or is there another definition, such as distance from a major centre?

A4) Refer to revisions to “3.2 Rated Requirements” which further clarifies the definitions.

Q5) For Section 3.2 Rated Requirements iii) Team Experience (page 72) of the RFP, can an individual be proposed as a Core Team Member for more than one Task? For example, can we propose the same Senior Professional as a Core Team member for Task 1.1.1 (Phase I/II/III ESAs including Geophysical and Geotechnical) and Task 1.1.2 (Remedial Options Reviews and Remedial Action Plans)?

A5) Yes a core member can be proposed for more than one task.

Q6) For Section 3.2 Rated Requirements iii) Team Experience (page 72) of the RFP, if an individual can be proposed as a Core Team Member for more than one Task is there a limit to the number of Tasks that that individual can be proposed as a Core Team Member?

A6) No there is no limit.

Q7) On page 72 of the RFP, 3.2 Rated Requirements iii) Team Experience it indicates that “ The bidder must provide a CV for each of 2 core team members plus one core alternate for each of the Tasks 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3 and 1.1.4...”. The CVs are worth a total of 30 points for each Task (1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3 and 1.1.4). Are the points divided evenly for all CVs, i.e. is each CV worth 10 points or are the Core Team Member CVs worth more points than the core alternate?

A7) Refer to the revisions made to 3.2 Rated Requirements.

Q8) On page 72 of the RFP, 3.2 Rated Requirements iii) Team Experience it indicates that “each CV will demonstrate relevant and specific training and experience and certifications” Can you please provide a further breakdown of the how the points will be allocated for each CV? For example, are there a specific number of points allocated for certifications?

A8) there is no specific allocation of points per certificate, points will be based on the Generic Evaluation Table.

Q9) In the Instructions for Appendix B, point 4 requires that the rate for each position must be “equal to or greater than the hourly rate for the position listed below it.” However, that would require that the rate for the Jr Professional must be greater than the rate for the Resident Engineer, the rate for the Resident Engineer must be greater than the rate for the Sr Technologist, and the rate for the Jr Technologist must be greater than the rate for the CADD/Draftsperson. I don’t believe that this is the intent of the requirement. Could you please clarify?

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A9) Refer to revisions made to Appendix B Instructions.

Q10) In section GI 2.2 Introduction it states that firms should be able to demonstrate successful delivery of services for a broad variety of project over the last five years. However, in section SRE 3.2 under the rated requirements corporate experience, it states relevant experience within the past 7 years. Can you please clarify if we can include projects within the last 5 or 7 years.

A10) Refer to the revisions of "3.2 Rated Requirements".

Q11) Please clarify a requirement in General Project Objectives – RS9.12 where it states that the cost estimates in tender documents must be prepared by a certified professional estimator such as a Designated Quantity Surveyor or a Construction Estimator Certified or by an estimator with equivalent credentials or extensive experience in providing estimating services. What will be considered by PWGSC as equivalent? Would a professional engineer who provides tendering services for provincial environmental and transportation projects be considered equivalent?

A11) Please refer to the revisions in "3.2 Rated Requirements".

Q12) Please confirm there are only 10 tasks. The Rated requirements table suggests there are tasks up to 1.1.12.

A12) Please refer to the revisions in "3.2 Rated Requirements".

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS SHALL REMAIN THE SAME.