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# SOLICITATION CLOSES L'INVITATION PREND FIN

at - à 14:00

on - le 05 July 2017

TIME ZONE - FUSEAU HORAIRE

Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

# 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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**Mortuary Services** 

Solicitation No. - N° de

Amendment No. - N° de la modification

l'invitation W6369-17-A039

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Date of Solicitation - Date de l'invitation

23 May 2017

## RETURN BIDS TO: RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À :

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See herein.

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#### AMENDMENT 001 TO SOLICITATION NUMBER W6369-17-A039 IS RAISED TO:

1. Provide clarification and answers to questions from potential suppliers;

### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

#### Question 2

The requirement for the Forensic Archaeology resource [Section MA4.2 in the Mandatory Technical Criteria] requests the following:

For each proposed summary in MA4.2, the Bidder must demonstrate how the forensic archaeologist recovered, exhumed and documented human remains:

- 1. Recovery:
- a) Type of recovery (archaeological academic, archaeological contract, crime scene, war dead, cemetery exhumation);
- b) Description of mapping and charting methods;
- c) Documentation of exhumation of skeletal remains.
- 2. Documentation: Evidence of site photography marked with scale and direction.
- 3. Reports: Written laboratory, academic or police reports outlining methods used, results and conclusions.

After extensive discussion with numerous practising forensic archaeologists in North America, it has been identified that the requirement to submit photographs and police reports as part of this bid is, in most cases, a breach of confidentiality with the organisation that contracted their services to recover human remains. I know DND understands the importance of confidentiality. Hence, I seek advice on how to address this requirement within the limits of their professional ethics as the current requirements cannot be met for criminal investigations which comprise the majority of the forensic archaeologist's recent cases.

## Answer 2

DND needs to know how the Bidders photographed their work demonstrating proper archaeological techniques. They can blur the confidential portions (remains, context numbers, names, etc.) of the provided example; however, DND needs to be able to see a photograph that has something archaeologically relevant (animal bone, stratigraphy, grave cut, feature thought to be important during the excavation, etc.) being photographed with a scale and an arrow pointing north clearly visible in the photograph. These are standard archaeological practices for the proper documentation of an excavation.

As for the reports, DND requires an example of how they have written reports in the past in order to confirm there will not be any issues with the work they may be asked to submit. Confidential information (names, specific locations, contracting body, photographs, etc.) should of course be redacted. Even with the redacted information, the process (introduction, methodology, results and conclusion) will be clearly evident and will allow DND to evaluate the work of the Bidders.

### ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

