

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 30 tests based on the UL162 standard to be conducted. The supplier must be accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 to conduct UL162 tests.

The tests must be conducted in two concurrent weeks and at two different nozzle elevations :8 feet and 42 feet. One set of 15 tests will be conducted during the first week and it will be repeated during the second week.

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 UL162

(2) The supplier lab must have the ability to run tests at 8 foot and 42 foot nozzle heights.

(3) The supplier lab must be accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 to conduct UL162 tests.

(4) The supplier lab must have pollution abatement for hydrocarbon fires and water containment facilities. The lab must also have a means to dispose of hazardous goods.

(5) The supplier lab must have lifting equipment in-house to allow access to 46 foot heights

4. Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier

SouthWest Research Institute is the only ISO/IEC 17025 accredited laboratory that has a system to control air pollutants for the large hydrocarbon fires produced by UL162 testing. The lab also incorporates a full water containment system negating environmental impact.

5 This ACAN contract serves for the immediate contract of \$ 114,892.00 USD 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 July 19, 2017.

8. Inquiries and submission of statements of capabilities

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