

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION AMENDMENT NO. 002**Request for Quotation Amendment no. 001 is raised for the following reasons:**

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NOTE: Bidders' questions are numerically sequenced upon arrival at SSC. Bidders are hereby advised that questions and answers for this solicitation may be issued via BuyandSell.gc.ca out of sequence.

Question 1:

There are other rugged notebooks qualified and available on the NMSO and in the commercial marketplace. Why is SSC going to RFQ and not procuring from the NMSO? Why is SSC limiting the RFQ to a single vendor/product? Can vendors propose an alternate vendor/product for this requirement?

Answer 1:

The Department of National Defence requires the specific Panasonic CF-31s in order to replace existing CF-30 laptops. Currently DND has these deployed within their fleet of vehicles with a specific PMT docking station and mounting hardware. Also, due to the deployment of these CF-31s and the timeline, they need to be compatible with the existing docking stations. Also, the CF-31 has the 5th gen processor, which is required by DND to meet their requirement. DND is currently in the process of testing other ruggedized computers so in the future the specifications should be genericized. SSC has gone with an RFQ because it is above the NMSO threshold and due to the specific requirements it had to be run outside of the NMSO.

Question 2:

Will the Crown accept a system with 530 Nits Direct-View outdoor-readable display with resistive touchscreen?

Answer 2:

No, must meet mandatory specifications listed in Annex A – List of Deliverables and Prices.

Question 3:

In lieu of a 500GB SATA HDD Hard Disk Drive, will the Crown accept an upgrade to a faster and more reliable 512GB SSD Solid State Drive that does not require heating to function?

Answer 3:

No, must meet mandatory specifications listed in Annex A – List of Deliverables and Prices.

Question 4:

The RFQ was issued on July 17 and closes on July 21. This is too short a timeframe for us with resources required for the response being on away on vacation. Will the Crown please extend the closing date to July 26?

Answer 4:

No, due to the deployment of these devices an extension cannot be granted.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) REMAIN UNCHANGED.