



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

QUESTION #1: Would a company in the United States of America be able to bid on this solicitation?

ANSWER #1: This procurement is set aside under the federal government's Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business.

Eligibility for the Aboriginal Set-Aside

An eligible bidder is a business in which Aboriginal persons have at least 51 per cent ownership and control, or a joint venture in which an Aboriginal business or businesses have at least 51 per cent of the ownership and control. In addition, if the Aboriginal business has six or more full-time employees, at least 33 per cent of the employees must be Aboriginal persons.

"Aboriginal person" means, for the purpose of this directive, a Canadian citizen who is ordinarily resident in Canada and who is:

1. registered under the Indian Act; or
2. included on a Band List pursuant to the Indian Act; or
3. a member of an affiliate of the Métis National Council or the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples; or
4. enrolled under a comprehensive land claims agreement; or
5. a member of an Aboriginal group with a comprehensive land claim that has been accepted by the Government of Canada; or
6. acknowledged by an established Aboriginal community in Canada as having Aboriginal ancestry.

Please refer to the Amendment #1 of the Solicitation document for more information.