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**Revision to a Request for a
Standing Offer**

**Révision à une demande d'offre à
commandes**

National Individual Standing Offer (NISO)
Offre à commandes individuelle et nationale
(OCIN)

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

There are no security requirements associated
with this solicitation.

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Title-Sujet Microbiology Testing of Food	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 39903-180172/A	Date 2018-03-27
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 39903-180172	Amendment no. – No modif. 004
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-18-00819560	
File No. – N° de dossier 066ss.39903-180172	CCC No./N° CC – FMS NO. / N° VME
Date of Original Request for Standing Offer - Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale 2018-03-08	
Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin at – à 2:00 PM on – le 2018-04-10	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Heather Wilson	Buyer Id – Id de l'acheteur 066ss
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Delivery Required - Livraison exigée See Herein.	
Destination of Goods, Services and Construction: Destinations des biens, services et construction : Specified Herein Précisé dans les présentes	
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

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)	

TITLE: Microbiology Testing of Food

The purpose of this amendment is to revise Attachment 3 to respond to questions received from Offerors.

1. At page 113 of 113, Attachment 3 - RFSO Questions and Answers:

INSERT: Q11. In M4^{PB} (pg. 21) and MO-2 (pg. 25), the requirement states "...for each mandatory method required for each organism for which they are submitting an Offer, the Offeror must submit a verification package following the guidelines outlined in Part 5". Please confirm that this statement applies to subsection (iii) only and does not apply if the methods are already on scope as per subsection (i) or if a letter can be provided from SCC or CALA as per subsection (ii).

A11. Correct. The verification package must only be provided if the method is not on the laboratory's scope of accreditation and if a letter cannot be provided from SCC or CALA.

Q12. Given that ISO 21528-1:2017 and MFLP-25 have not been listed as part of the 2018 Survey Sample Plans (Appendix IX to Annex A), can the verification package (for the aforementioned methods) required in M4^{PB} section (iii) and/or evidence of accreditation (i) be provided to Standing Offer Authority within the 6 month period described in Section 6.3 (pg.41), Method Verification?

A12. The 2018 Survey Sample Plans are strictly informal and do not affect in any way the requirements of the RFSO. All methods for organisms for which the Offeror is submitting an offer must meet one of the acceptable evidence listed on mandatory requirement M4^{PB}

(i) The method listed on the scope of accreditation from SCC or CALA;

OR

(ii) A letter from the SCC or CALA confirming the request for scope extension has been approved;

OR

(iii) (iii) A verification package following the guidance as specified in Part 5: Guidelines to Verify Standard Food Microbiological Methods for Implementation in Routine Testing, April 2015 (Health Canada Compendium of Analytical Methods, Volume 1: <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/foodnutrition/research-programs-analytical-methods/analyticalmethods/compendium-methods/official-methods-microbiologicalanalysis-foods-compendium-analytical-methods.html>), to be reviewed by the CFIA.

Q13. ISO 21528-1:2017 and MFLP-25 have not been listed as part of the 2018 Survey Sample Plans (Appendix IX to Annex A); please provide an estimate for the number of surveys that will require these tests over the course of contract.

A13. At this time it is not possible to provide an estimate on the number of surveys that will require methods ISO 21528-1:2017 and MFLP-25 to be performed.

Q14. What is the sampling frequency (weekly, monthly, quarterly, etc.)?

A14. Sampling schedules are based on samples being taken each week. Therefore, the frequency is weekly.

Q15. Is the frequency determined by the Offeror?

A15. The frequency is determined by the CFIA.

Q16. Should the frequency be the same for all cities?

A16. Yes, the frequency is the same for all cities.

THERE ARE NO OTHER CHANGES TO THIS SOLICITATION