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## 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 - Commentaries

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A SECURITY REQUIREMENT

| Title - Sujet <br> Radio Frequency (RF) Engineering Professional Services |  |  |  | Amendment No. $\mathrm{N}^{\circ}$ de la modification 004 |
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| Solicitat $20160199$ | No. | $\mathrm{N}^{\circ}$ de l'invitation |  | Date <br> April 25, 2018 |
| Client Reference No. - No. De Référence du Client 201601996 |  |  |  |  |
| Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin |  |  |  |  |
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| On / le : | May | 2018 |  |  |
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## Questions and Answers - Series 4

Q1. On page 24 , an estimated cost of $\$ 45,000$ is provided. Does the estimated cost relate to the travel and living expense? Or is it an estimate for the entire scope of work?

A1. The estimated cost of $\$ 45,000$ relates to the travel and living expenses only. This is not an estimate for the entire scope of work.

Q2. If the answer to question \#1 is the estimated cost only for travel and living expenses, is there a budget for the entire scope of work? If so, what is it?

A2. Please see above. An estimated budget for the entire scope of work will not be provided.

Q3. Our firm has the benefit of having several staff members meeting the requirements to fulfil the scope of work. Given this would provide greater resource depth and geographic coverage, is the RCMP willing to accept a submission that would include multiple people? If so, we could (a) submit individual rates, or (b) a single blended rate to cover all staff. Please advise if either would be appropriate.

A3. The requirement is for a single resource.

Q4. If a company is a reseller of various OEM equipment (Motorola, Harris, Tait, Hytera, Kenwood, ICOM) suppliers are they considered vendor agnostic?

A4. If the company resells equipment of all RF vendors, then the RCMP will consider that company vendor agnostic.

Q5. Annex E. Available engineers possessing in-depth experience and qualifications on all the technologies mentioned are rare, but they can be found. However, the criteria M4, M6 and M8 refer specifically to the « design » aspect, whereas criteria M5, M7 and M9 refer to « support » of the aforementioned technologies. These are two very different aspects. One is found in consultants, the other in dealers or manufacturers. If the spelling of the Mandatory Requirements is maintained as it is, the absolute number of LMR Engineers that can qualify drop down to a very few individuals at best. Which does not mean that they or he is available for a part-time three-year commitment.
If the RCMP wishes to obtain a reasonable number of bidders, could it be considered to combine "design" and "support" with a unifying term? For example, the resulting Requirements could read "The proposed resource must have a minimum of <number> years' demonstrated technical achievements/accomplishments on <technology>". RCMP would then have the latitude to evaluate, judge and score from the project descriptions while not ruling out many potential bidders.

A5. The RCMP understands that design and support are different aspect and functions within radio system(s). However, both of these aspects are important to the RCMP. The RCMP understands that persons with both type of experience may be limited and this is the reason why the minimum years of experience has been set at a reasonable level to ensure a suitable number of candidates.

Q6. Annex E, requirement M10. "... 5 years demonstrated experience using Public Safety P25 radio systems" seems to request for a former police or fire agent. Combined with the other requirements, this restricts considerably the individuals who may qualify for evaluation. Would RCMP consider describing or
modify the expression "using" while keeping in consideration the cumulative effect of all Mandatory Requirements on the possibilities of finding a suitable individual?

A6. Please see amendment below.

## Amendment

1. At Page 33, Mandatory Criteria, M10, please DELETE and INSERT the following:

| Item \# | Criterion | Met/Not Met | Substantiation |
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| M10 | The proposed resource must have a <br> minimum of 5 years' demonstrated <br> experience with Public Safety P25 <br> radio systems. |  |  |

