

Question 1:

Part 2, Section 1, third paragraph, first sentence. “The 2006 (2010-01-11) Standard instructions...”, please confirm that “2006” refers to the ID number, as per the following website, <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1>.

Answer 1:

Confirmed.

Question 2:

Also, please confirm the date of this document as 2017-04-27.

Answer 2:

Confirmed.

Question 3:

Part 2, Section 1.1, I could not find any reference to “Public Service and Procurement Canada (PSPC)”. Please confirm the intent was to replace “Public Works and Government Service Canada (PWGSC)” with “Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)”.

Answer 3:

Confirmed.

Question 4:

Part 2, Section 1.2, Can you please confirm the wording of the entire first paragraph under “General Conditions”.

Answer 5:

“One method of supply used by Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) is to arrange with suppliers to submit an offer to qualify for a Standing Offer to provide goods and services or both during a specified period, during which time internal clients within ECCC can then make call-ups against the Standing Offer(s) detailing the exact quantities of goods or level of services they wish to order at a particular time, during the effective period of the Standing Offer in accordance with the predetermined conditions.” The wording is correct in its’ entirety.

Question 5:

Part 2, Section 1.5, Please confirm that this sentence is referring to Article 03 and not Article 02.

Answer 5:

Confirmed.

Question 6:

Part 2, Section 1.6, Please confirm that this sentence is referring to Article 05 and not Article 04.

Answer 6:

Confirmed.

Question 7:

Part 2, Section 1.7, Please confirm that this sentence is referring to Article 08 and not Article 07.

Answer 7:

Confirmed.

Question 7:

Part 2, Section 1.8, Please confirm that this sentence is referring to Article 20 and not Article 19.

Answer 7:

Confirmed.

Question 8:

Part 6A, Section 3.1, Please confirm the active date of the “General Conditions” document as 2017-06-21.

Answer 8:

Confirmed.

Question 9:

Part 6A, Section 3.1.3, Please confirm that the entire Article 2005 05 is to be deleted and replaced with “Call-up procedures and payment for the Call-Ups will be detailed in the ECCC Standing Offer document”.

Answer 9:

Confirmed.

Question 10:

Part 6B, Section 2.1, Document 2035 02 (General Conditions), is the “Department of Public Works and Government Services Act” applicable for this RFSO?

Answer 10:

Confirmed.

Question 11:

Annex A, will ECCC be Prime Contractor (as defined by provincial legislation) for all engineering related site activities (surveying and geotechnical investigation)?

Answer 11:

ECCC will be the Owner as defined by provincial legislation and the consultant shall be the Prime Contractor for all engineering related activities.

Question 12:

Annex A, Section 1.3, Please confirm that ECCC be considering galvanized steel plate anchors for some situations?

Answer 12:

ECCC will consider galvanized steel plate anchors, rock anchors, and mass anchors as viable options for manned cableways depending on the site characteristics.

Question 13:

Annex A, Section 2.4, will survey need to be completed with global coordinates or local?

Answer 13:

Local coordinates are appropriate for most sites; however when the site is next to a road or within a city where other infrastructures exists in the vicinity, global coordinates will be used.

Question 14:

Annex A, There is no mention of Environmental assessments. Please confirm that ECCC will be completing all environmental assessments and regulatory permitting.

Answer 14:

ECCC will be completing environmental assessments separate from the Standing Offer; however the proponent shall be responsible to consider the recommendation from the Environmental Assessment in their design and specifications package.

Question 15:

Annex B, Item B1, the first (and last) sentence references hourly rates for the “... the four positions listed...” Please confirm if this wording is correct.

Answer 15:

All positions listed in the table shall be considered for evaluation purposes using the associated blended rates. Please replace "...four (4)..." with "...ten (10)..." in the first and last sentence in Annex B, Item B1.

Question 16:

Annex B, How is the escalation of rates handled for year 2 (3, 4 & 5, if applicable) of the contract?

Answer 16:

As per Table B-1, Note 1, the price shall remain fixed over the course of the Standing Offer.

Question 17:

On page 7/38 could item M3 in the Mandatory Criteria be confirmed and clarified. We are inquiring if a professional surveyor is required to be a part of our project team and if so, please confirm why is one needed for the cableway upgrades?

Answer 17:

A Professional Surveyor is required as part of the project team. The surveyor may be required to survey the existing site for relative distances, prepare site drawings for tender if "as-built" drawings are not available, tie-in new benchmarks to existing benchmarks.

Question 18:

Can you please provide a copy of the RFSO agreement that the successful firm(s) would be signing?

Answer 18:

Sample Standing Offer cover sheets attached.

Question 19:

Annex B, Can you please confirm if there is any instructions/directive around disbursements.

Answer 19:

See SACC clause R1230D at GC5.12 Disbursements (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/5/R/R1230D/5#disbursements>). It is in our RFSO Section 6A para 11 item f.

Question 20

Should the hourly rates for the "surveyor field work" as shown on Table B-1 include the entire field crew (BCLS, technologist, vehicle and equipment) or just the land surveyor's hourly rates? Will the extra field equipment, as required, for the land survey be reimbursed separately?

Answer 20

Item 9 "Surveyor (Field Work)" under Table B-1 is to include the necessary equipment to perform a topographic land survey in accordance with Annex A, Section 2.4 *Topographic Survey*, as well as the hourly rate for the person designated as the BCLS. Item 10 "Surveyor (Office Work)" under Table B-1 which includes the hourly rate to bring in the field data into a drawing of the current site conditions suitable to be included as part of a tender package. The cost of software shall not be paid separate to office work hourly rate as per SACC clause R1230D (see Section 6A Para 11 Item f).

The hourly rate for the field technologist should be listed as Additional Personnel in Table B-1.

The cost of the vehicle shall be reimbursed in accordance with the Nation Joint Council Travel Directive (<https://www.njc-cnm.gc.ca/directive/d10/en>).

Question 21

Can you please confirm the value as stated on the Federal Consultants Program for Employment Equity form (Item C5, page 30 of the RFSO). Value on form states \$200,000. However, form LAB 1168 has a value of \$1,000,000 to it.

Answer 21

On page 30, please remove the amount of \$200,000.00 with regards to the Federal Consultants Program for Employment Equity form and replace it with the current threshold of \$1,000,000.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS WILL REMAIN THE SAME