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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.

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<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

**This Solicitation Amendment 006 includes answers to questions received from potential Bidders and an amendment.**

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Question 49:**

**Re: Attachment 4.1 – Bid Evaluation Criteria; 3.5 Platform Analyst (Data Power) – Level 2; Rated Criteria R.3.5.3**

R.3.5.3 is requesting experience integrating both Multi-protocol adapters **and** IBM Transformation Extenders. As it is quite rare for the same resource to have experience on, or responsibility for, both on the same project, would the Crown consider modifying this requirement slightly to ensure CBSA candidates receive credit for experience on either of these tools independently.

**Answer 49:**

Agreed. See amendment below.

**Question 50:**

For M.1.2 Corporate Capability, please confirm if a client contact, email address, contract number and a description of the information technology services provided must be included to assess Corporate Capability.

**Answer 50:**

No, that is not necessary. Bidders must complete the Bidder's response Table provided in the RFP document to demonstrate this mandatory corporate capability.

**Question 51:**

The recent environment crisis in Ottawa resulted in many power outages throughout the city which has delayed Bidders in receiving information from consultants being presented for this opportunity. In addition, many consultants will be unavailable to assist in providing information for final grid preparation during the Thanksgiving long weekend. We respectfully request a week extension to the October 9<sup>th</sup> due date.

**Answer 51:**

See amendment below.

**Question 52:**

Due to the recent circumstances that have impacted resource availability, including: tornado damage, extended power outages across the city, and the upcoming Thanksgiving long weekend, we respectfully request an extension to the closing date of one week.

**Answer 52:**

See amendment below.

**Question 53:**

With regard to the clarification issued in Amendment 05, specifically Q&A 46, it is unclear from the answer provided whether the Bidder Response table for M1.1 is to be included in the signed reference letter or not, as both require a description of the information technology services provided. Can the Crown please confirm in either direction?

**Answer 53:**

Please refer to Question 46 of Amendment 005. The reference signed letter is separate from the M.1.1 Bidder Response Table. To be compliant, the response must include the following two items:

- 1) The reference signed letter
- 2) The M.1.1 Bidder Response Table. If more space is required to describe the information technology services, a limit of one additional page can be provided.

**Question 54:**

As another option will the Crown allow an appendix to be included which will include the signed reference letter as well as a one page description of information technology services provided? This appendix will be referenced in the bidder response table for M1.1 thus negating the issues with fitting the description within the table provided. Please see our suggested example below:

<b>Bidder Response Table</b> <b>M1.1 Mandatory Corporate Experience</b> <i>Bidder to replicate table for each of the two (2) Corporate Reference Contracts</i>		
<b>Corporate Reference Contract Description</b>		(Bidder to Insert Data)
<b>Client Particulars</b>	Client Organization Name	
	Address	
	Contract or Purchase Order Number	
	Project Title	
	Client Name and Title	
	Client Telephone Number	
	Client eMail Address	

<p>1. Provide a brief description of the Bidder's contract to provide Information Technology resources responsible for the analysis and design, development, implementation and ongoing operational support of large-scale* web-based applications.</p> <p>*Large-scale is defined as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scope spans multiple functional areas and locations (Headquarters, regions, points of entry, program areas, branches/directorates/divisions, etc.)</li> <li>• Serving 250 concurrent users or more at any given time</li> </ul> <p>Note: the description of the information technology services be limited to one page.</p>	<p>Please see Appendix 'X' for the signed reference letter as well as description of information technology services provided.</p>
<p>2. Specify contract start and end date (mm/yyyy to mm/yyyy)</p>	
<p>3. Specify total amount billed value (Canadian, including taxes) within the last five (5) years of the issuance date of this RFP.</p>	
<p>4. Include a list of Resource Categories provided under the Contract.</p>	

**Answer 54:** The reference signed letter, the M.1.1 Bidder Response Table and, if applicable, the additional page describing the information technology services are the two elements required to satisfy this requirement and should be grouped together.

**Question 55:**

In the case where the answer to Question 53 or 54 requires or disallows a specific format, will the Crown offer a 1 week extension, which would allow vendors to reformat, distribute, and collect signed client reference letters in the specific format requested, once clarification is received?

**Answer 55:**

See amendment below

**Question 56:**

We have the following question for the Crown for further clarification regarding the Programmer Analyst (UI):

The Crown has issued a few amendments regarding this criterion already, which we have read through in detail and consulted a technical expert on these technologies to ensure accuracy. To be as clear as possible we are going to include the most recent criteria amended by the Crown to ensure we are all clear:

From Amendment 003 these were the most recent and updated criterion:

**Mandatory requirement M.1.8.4 A.7 Programmer/Analyst (UI) - Level 3 M.1.8.4 The Contractor must demonstrate that the proposed resource has a minimum of 2 years of experience developing applications using React and a minimum of 6 months of experience using Redux JavaScript**

**R.2.8.4 The Contractor should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience over and above the minimum 2 years required in M.1.8.4 developing applications using React JavaScript libraries.**

**2+ to 3 years = 2 points**

**3+ to 4 years = 4 points**

**4+ years = 6 points**

For reference purposes Redux Javascript library was released in June 2015 and to date has been available for a total of two years and 3 months. React Javascript library was released in March 2013 and has been available for a total of 5 years and 7 months. R2.8.4 is still asking for a total of 4+ years of experience with React, over and above the 2 years of experience required in M1.8.4 which makes for a total of 6 years required for maximum points. This is not possible as the technology has only been available for 5 years and 7 months. Will the Crown please amend R.2.8.4 to state:

**R.2.8.4 The Contractor should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience over and above the minimum 2 years required in M.1.8.4 developing applications using React JavaScript libraries.**

**1+ years = 2 points**

**2+ years = 4 points**

**3+ years = 6 points**

This in no way would prejudice the quality of candidates the Crown will receive and will only serve to ensure the Crown receives accurate and qualified resources.

**Answer 56:**

Canada has reviewed the request, however the requirement remains unchanged. Please refer to Question 19 of Amendment 003.

**Question 57:**

Due to the recent power outages affecting our ability to communicate with resources, and the ability to work on their resume, would the Crown please grant a 1 week extension?

**Answer 57:**

See amendment below.

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**AMENDMENT:**

**At Page 1:**

**DELETE:**

The Solicitation closes at 2:00 p.m. EDT on 09-10-2018

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The Solicitation closes at 2:00 p.m. EDT on 12-10-2018

**At ATTACHMENT 4.1 - BID EVALUATION CRITERIA**

**DELETE:**

**Rated requirement R.3.5.3    I.7 Platform Analyst (Data Power) – Level 2**

<b>R.3.5.3</b>	The bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience integrating IBM Data Power Business Processes using Multi-protocol Adapters and IBM Transformation Extender.	1+ to 3 years = 2 points 3+ to 5 years = 4 points 5+ years = 6 points	6	
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**INSERT:****Rated requirement R.3.3.3 I.7 Platform Analyst (Data Power) – Level 2**

<b>R.3.5.3</b>	The bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience integrating IBM Data Power Business Processes using Multi-protocol Adapters or IBM Transformation Extender.	1+ to 3 years = 2 points 3+ to 5 years = 4 points 5+ years = 6 points	6	
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**AT APPENDIX C TO ANNEX A: RESOURCE ASSESSMENT CRITERIA AND RESPONSE TABLE****DELETE:****Rated requirement R.2.12.4 I.7 Platform Analyst (Data Power) – Level 2**

<b>R.2.12.4</b>	The Contractor should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience integrating IBM Data Power Business Processes using Multi-protocol Adapters and IBM Transformation Extender.	1+ to 3 years = 2 points 3+ to 5 years = 4 points 5+ years = 6 points	6	
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**INSERT:****Rated requirement R.2.12.4 I.7 Platform Analyst (Data Power) – Level 2**

<b>R.2.12.4</b>	The Contractor should demonstrate that the proposed resource has experience integrating IBM Data Power Business Processes using Multi-protocol Adapters or IBM Transformation Extender.	1+ to 3 years = 2 points 3+ to 5 years = 4 points 5+ years = 6 points	6	
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**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.**