



**RETURN BIDS TO:**

**RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À:**

Bid Receiving - PWGSC / Réception des  
soumissions - TPSGC

11 Laurier St. / 11, rue Laurier

Place du Portage, Phase III

Core 0B2 / Noyau 0B2

Gatineau

Quebec

K1A 0S5

Bid Fax: (819) 997-9776

**LETTER OF INTEREST**

**LETTRE D'INTÉRÊT**

Comments - Commentaires

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

Raison sociale et adresse du

fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution

Frigate Life Extension (FELEX) Project / Bureau de projet  
de prolongation de la vie des frégates (BP FELEX)

455 Blvd de la Carrière

Gatineau

Quebec

K1A 0K2

<b>Title - Sujet</b> RFRE - LM2500 ISSC	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> W8482-183029/A	<b>Date</b> 2018-11-08
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> W8482-183029	<b>GETS Ref. No. - N° de réf. de SEAG</b> PW-\$\$FX-008-27053
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> 008fx.W8482-183029	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2018-12-07</b>	
<b>Time Zone</b> <b>Fuseau horaire</b> Eastern Standard Time EST	
<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Fortin, Marie-Andrée	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> 008fx
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (819) 939-3234 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> ( ) -
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>  Specified Herein Précisé dans les présentes	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b> See Herein	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
<b>Vendor/Firm Name and Address</b> <b>Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur</b>    <b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> <b>Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur</b>	
<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>   <b>Signature</b>   <b>Date</b>	

---

## Request for Responses for Evaluation (RFRE) for the In-Service Support of the LM2500 Gas Turbine Engines on Canada's Halifax Class Frigates

### 1. Introduction

1.1 The Department of National Defence (DND) has a requirement to maintain its LM2500 gas turbine engine propulsion system on board Canada's Halifax class frigates, inclusive of gas generator, power turbine, high speed coupling shaft, lube oil storage and conditioning assembly, enclosure assembly as well as support to the LM2500 ancillary systems. These services are required until End of Life (EOL) of the frigates currently estimated to be a minimum of 20 years.

1.2 This Request for Responses for Evaluation (RFRE) phase will qualify potential bidders who demonstrate that they have the necessary capabilities and past experience required to deliver a solution for DND's gas turbine In-Service Support requirement.

1.3 The qualified RFRE suppliers will review the draft Request for Proposal (RFP) documentation through a series of review sessions with Canada. The Review and Refine Requirements (RRR) phase will provide the qualified RFRE suppliers with the opportunity to provide feedback and to obtain a clear understanding of the business and technical requirements; this will allow the qualified RFRE suppliers to be in a position to prepare informed responses to the RFP. The resulting RFP will then be issued directly to the qualified RFRE suppliers only, in order to solicit their bids.

1.4 Below are the intended phases of the solicitation process for the Requirement:

- a) **Request for Responses for Evaluation (RFRE):** Qualification Phase
- b) **Review and Refine Requirements (RRR):** Only qualified RFRE suppliers will be permitted to participate in the RRR process. It is anticipated that the qualified RFRE suppliers participating in the RRR process will be engaged to review preliminary RFP documents, provide feedback electronically, as well as attend one-on-one meetings, and/ or working groups to discuss specific issues relating to the content of the preliminary RFP documents.
- c) **Anticipated Request for Proposal (RFP):** Only qualified RFRE suppliers can submit a bid

1.5 Because the RFRE is not a request for proposal, qualified RFRE suppliers can choose not to bid on the subsequent bid solicitation. The RFRE and any subsequent solicitation instrument may also be cancelled at any time in accordance with the 2003 (2016-04-04) Standard Instructions – Goods or Services – Competitive Requirements.

1.6 All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the RFRE by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-andconditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

1.7 No payment will be made for any costs incurred in the preparation, submission, evaluation and participation in any part of this procurement process. Costs associated with preparing, submitting, evaluating and participating in this procurement process that are incurred by the supplier are the sole responsibility of the supplier.

## 2. Background

2.1 Each of Canada's twelve Halifax class frigates, commissioned between 1992 and 1996, are fitted with two GE LM2500 gas turbine systems which have been maintained under an in-service support contract since 2001.

2.2 It is anticipated that the work described in the RFP will include the in-service support for the existing LM2500 gas turbines (including spares) from first level ongoing maintenance to complete assembly overhaul, maintenance and warehousing of the spare inventory and the provision of Field Service Representatives (FSRs) to support military operations at all times.

## 3. Confidentiality

3.1 Suppliers are advised that any information submitted to Canada in response to this RFRE may be used by Canada in the development of a subsequent competitive RFP. As such, suppliers responding to this RFRE and participating in the follow-on RRR phase should identify any submitted information that is to be considered as either company confidential or proprietary.

## 4. Security Requirement

4.1 The anticipated Security Requirement Check List (SRCL) will have a secret clearance requirements to facilitate work in HMC Ships and facilities. The SRCL will be released with the RFP.

## 5. Legislation, Trade Agreements and Government Policies

5.1 The following is indicative of some of the legislation, trade agreements and government policies that could impact any follow-on solicitation(s):

- a) The requirement is subject to a National Security Exception and, as a result, none of the trade agreements apply to this procurement;
- b) Comprehensive Land Claim Agreements (CLCA): (if applicable)  
The provisions of the Comprehensive Land Claims Agreements will not apply to this procurement unless work is performed and / or goods are delivered within a land claim settlement area.
- c) Industrial and Technological Benefits and Value Proposition (ITBs):  
The ITB policy will apply to this procurement. The ITB Policy is administered by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) with assistance from the Regional Development Agencies. To obtain information about Canada's ITB Policy, visit:  
<http://www.ic.gc.ca/irb>;
- d) Controlled Goods Program (CGP):  
This procurement will be subject to the Controlled Goods Program. For further information on the CGP, visit: <http://ssi-iss.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/dmc-cgd/index-eng.html>;
- e) Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity (FCP-EE): (if applicable)  
The Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity will apply to this procurement. For further information on the Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity, visit:  
<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/supply-manual/annex/5/1>; and

## f) Fairness Monitor:

A Fairness Monitor will act as a formal oversight mechanism for obtaining independent validation on the fairness of the process for selecting an ISS contractor.

## 6. Estimated Project Schedule

- |   |              |
|---|--------------|
| • Request for Responses for Evaluation  | Nov 2018     |
| • Review and Refine Requirements, Industry Engagement Activities, Draft Request for Proposal (RFP) Review | Jan-Dec 2019 |
| • Request for Proposal Released   | Jan 2020     |
| • Contract Award  | Jun 2020     |

## 7. Qualification Criteria

### 7.1 To pre-qualify under this RFRE:

- a. Suppliers must be licensed by the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) to perform work on marine LM2500 gas turbines including onboard periodic preventative maintenance to complete assembly removal and overhaul;
- b. Suppliers must have recent experience (within past 5 years) providing global/worldwide support and maintenance to marine LM2500 gas turbines that are currently in service;
- c. Suppliers must be from a NATO or allied country; and
- d. Suppliers must commit to the application of the Industrial and Technological Benefits requirements

## 8. RFRE Evaluation Process

### 8.1 Suppliers must submit the following information for evaluation of the above criteria:

- a. A letter from the OEM or copy of the license agreement authorizing them to perform work on marine LM2500 gas turbines including onboard periodic preventative maintenance to complete assembly removal and overhaul;
- b. A description of LM2500 services provided to an existing customer, including global/worldwide support services on at least two different continents. Reports to include: name of customer(s), description of the requirement, support locations, contract period and dollar value of the contract;
- c. Details of the company structure, including all levels up to the parent company and locations; and
- d. By submitting information to prequalify, the supplier certifies commitment to the application of the Industrial and Technological Benefits requirements.

8.2 Submissions in response to the RFRE will be evaluated and criteria that have not been met may be subject to clarification. Where a clarification may be sought, conditions will apply when a submission is missing key mandatory information, such as omission of a certificate or linkages in the organization's business structure. Suppliers will have two (2) business days to provide the requested information from the date and time stamp of the email when it is sent from the Contracting Authority to the supplier. Failure to respect this deadline will result in the submission being deemed non responsive. Once requests for

clarification have been satisfied or clarification time limits have lapsed, the evaluation will be completed. To complete the evaluation, all submitted information including information gathered during clarification process will be evaluated as compliant or non-compliant having met or not met the criteria listed under article 7 above.

8.3 The customer references and all other information provided by the suppliers are subject to verification by Canada during the evaluation period and after qualification. The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to validate the references and information before qualifying a supplier. The response will be declared non-responsive if references or other information given by the supplier are untrue. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority for additional information will also render the supplier's response non-responsive.

8.4 Suppliers will be advised on the results of the evaluation upon completion. Suppliers deemed non-compliant will be offered a debrief. Non-compliant suppliers will not be invited to continue in the RRR process and will not receive the RFP. This RFP will not be made public and no other suppliers will be accepted into the process after the closing date of this RFRE.

## 9. Submission of Responses to the RFRE

9.1 Suppliers must submit three (3) hard copies of the required information to the Bid Receiving Unit at the address and by the closing date indicated on page one (1) of this RFRE.

## 10. Review Team

10.1 A review team composed of representatives of DND, ISED and PSPC will review the responses. Canada reserves the right to hire any independent consultant, or use any Government resources that it considers necessary to review any response.

## 11. Debriefings

11.1 Suppliers may request a debriefing on the results of the RFRE. Suppliers should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days of receipt of the results of the RFRE. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

## 12. Language for Future Communications

12.1 Suppliers are requested to identify, on **Form 1 - Submission Form**, which of Canada's two official languages will be used for future industry engagement activities.

## 13. Enquiries

13.1 All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority, at the email address identified below, no later than 7 business days before the RFRE closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

**Marie-Andrée Fortin**

N° de l'invitation - Solicitation No.

W8482-183029

N° de la modif - Amd. No.

File No. - N° du dossier

N° de réf. du client - Client Ref. No.

W8482-183029

008fx.W8482-183029

Id de l'acheteur - Buyer ID

008fx

N° CCC / CCC No./ N° VME - FMS

---

Supply Team Leader  
Public Services and Procurement Canada  
Acquisitions Branch  
[marie-andree.fortin@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:marie-andree.fortin@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Communication may be in either official language of Canada, in English or French.

N° de l'invitation - Solicitation No.

W8482-183029

N° de réf. du client - Client Ref. No.

W8482-183029

N° de la modif - Amd. No.

File No. - N° du dossier

008fx.W8482-183029

Id de l'acheteur - Buyer ID

008fx

N° CCC / CCC No./ N° VME - FMS

---

## Appendix 1 - Acronyms

CGP Controlled Goods Program

CLCA Comprehensive Land Claim Agreements

DND Department of National Defence

EOL End of Life

FCP-EE Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity

FSR Field Service Representative

GT Gas Turbine

ISED Science and Economic Development Canada

ISS In-Service Support

ITB Industrial and Technological Benefits

OEM Original Equipment Manufacturer

PSPC Public Services and Procurement Canada

RFP Request for Proposal

RFRE Request for Responses and Evaluation

RRR Review and Refine Requirements

SRCL Security Requirement Check List

N° de l'invitation - Solicitation No.  
**W8482-183029**  
N° de réf. du client - Client Ref. No.  
**W8482-183029**

N° de la modif - Amd. No.  
  
File No. - N° du dossier  
**008fx.W8482-183029**

Id de l'acheteur - Buyer ID  
**008fx**  
N° CCC / CCC No./ N° VME - FMS

## FORM 1 - RFRE SUBMISSION FORM

#	Response
	Supplier's full legal name
(a)	
	Supplier's Procurement Business Number
(b)	
	Authorized Representative of supplier for evaluation purposes (e.g. clarifications)
(c)	Name:  Title:  Address:  Telephone #:  Email:  
	<b>Official Language</b> Canada's Official Language in which the supplier will communicate with Canada regarding this RFRE and future industry engagement activities with the qualified RFRE suppliers - indicate either English or French
(d)	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> French
	<b>RFRE Submission Requirements</b> On behalf of the supplier, by signing below, I confirm that I have read the entire RFRE and I certify and agree that: 1. The supplier considers itself able to meet all the mandatory requirements described in the RFRE; and 2. All the information provided in the response is complete, true and accurate.
	<b>Signature of Authorized Representative of Supplier</b>
(e)	Name:  Address:  Email:  Signature of authorized representative of supplier  Phone:



N° de l'invitation - Solicitation No.

W8482-183029

N° de la modif - Amd. No.

File No. - N° du dossier

008fx.W8482-183029

Id de l'acheteur - Buyer ID

008fx

N° CCC / CCC No./ N° VME - FMS

N° de réf. du client - Client Ref. No.

W8482-183029

#	Response
	Date: