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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
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**Proposition aux: Travaux Publics et Services  
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**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

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## **PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **1.1 Requirement**

The requirement is detailed under Article 6.2 of the resulting contract clauses.

### **1.2 Debriefings**

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

### **1.3 Trade Agreements**

The requirement is subject to the provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA).

### **1.4 epost Connect service**

This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the epost Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled Bid Preparation Instructions, of the bid solicitation, for further information."

## **PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS**

### **2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions**

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation 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-and-conditions-manual) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The [2003](#) (2018-05-22) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

Subsection 5.4 of [2003](#), Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: 60 days  
Insert: 90 days

The 2003 standard instructions is amended as follows:

#### **2003 05 (2018-05-22) Submission of bids**

1. Canada requires that each bid, at solicitation closing date and time or upon request from the Contracting Authority, be signed by the Bidder or by an authorized representative of the Bidder. If a bid is submitted by a joint venture, it must be in accordance with section 17.
2. It is the Bidder's responsibility to:
  - a. obtain clarification of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation, if necessary, before submitting a bid;
  - b. prepare its bid in accordance with the instructions contained in the bid solicitation;
  - c. submit by solicitation closing date and time a complete bid;
  - d. send its bid only to the specified Bid Receiving Unit of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) specified in the bid solicitation or, to the address specified in the bid solicitation, as applicable;
  - e. ensure that the Bidder's name, return address, bid solicitation number, and solicitation closing date and time are clearly visible on the bid; and,
  - f. provide a comprehensible and sufficiently detailed bid, including all requested pricing details, that will permit a complete evaluation in accordance with the criteria set out in the bid solicitation.
3. Canada will make available Notices of Proposed Procurement (NPP), bid solicitations and related documents for download through the Government Electronic Tendering Service (GETS). Canada is not responsible and will not assume any liabilities whatsoever for the information found on websites of third parties. In the event that an NPP, bid solicitation or related documentation would be amended, Canada will not be sending notifications. Canada will post all amendments, including significant enquiries received and their replies, using GETS. It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to regularly consult GETS for the most up-to-date information. Canada will not be liable for any oversight on the Bidder's part nor for notification services offered by a third party.
4. Bids will remain open for acceptance for a period of not less than 60 days from the closing date of the bid solicitation, unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation. Canada reserves the right to seek an extension of the bid validity period from all responsive bidders in writing, within a minimum of 3 days before the end of the bid validity period. If the extension is accepted by all

- responsive bidders, Canada will continue with the evaluation of the bids. If the extension is not accepted by all responsive bidders, Canada will, at its sole discretion, either continue with the evaluation of the bids of those who have accepted the extension or cancel the solicitation.
5. Bid documents and supporting information may be submitted in either English or French.
  6. Bids received on or before the stipulated bid solicitation closing date and time will become the property of Canada and will not be returned. All bids will be treated as confidential, subject to the provisions of the [Access to Information Act](#) (R.S. 1985, c. A-1) and the [Privacy Act](#) (R.S., 1985, c. P-21).
  7. Unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation, Canada will evaluate only the documentation provided with a bidder's bid. Canada will not evaluate information such as references to Web site addresses where additional information can be found, or technical manuals or brochures not submitted with the bid.
  8. A bid cannot be assigned or transferred in whole or in part.

### **2003 06 (2018-05-22) Late bids**

PWGSC will return or delete bids delivered after the stipulated solicitation closing date and time, unless they qualify as a delayed bid as described in section 07.

For late bids submitted using means other than the Canada Post Corporation's epost Connect service, the physical bid will be returned.

For bids submitted electronically, the late bids will be deleted. As an example, bids submitted using Canada Post Corporation's epost Connect service, conversations initiated by the Bid Receiving Unit via the epost Connect service pertaining to a late bid, will be deleted. Records will be kept documenting the transaction history of all late bids submitted using epost Connect.

### **2003 07 (2018-05-22) Delayed bids**

1. A bid delivered to the specified Bid Receiving Unit after the solicitation closing date and time but before the contract award date may be considered, provided the bidder can prove the delay is due solely to a delay in delivery that can be attributed to the Canada Post Corporation (CPC) (or national equivalent of a foreign country). Private courier (Purolator Inc., Fedex Inc., etc.) is not considered to be part of CPC for the purposes of delayed bids.
  - a. The only pieces of evidence relating to a delay in the CPC system that are acceptable to PWGSC are:
    - i. a CPC cancellation date stamp;
    - ii. a CPC Priority Courier bill of lading;
    - iii. a CPC Xpresspost label;that clearly indicates that the bid was sent before the solicitation closing date.
  - b. The only piece of evidence relating to a delay in the epost Connect service provided by CPC system that is acceptable to PWGSC is a CPC epost Connect service date and time record indicated in the epost Connect conversation history that clearly indicates that the bid was sent before the solicitation closing date and time.
2. Misrouting, traffic volume, weather disturbances, labour disputes or any other causes for the late delivery of bids are not acceptable reasons for the bid to be accepted by PWGSC.
3. Postage meter imprints, whether imprinted by the Bidder, the CPC or the postal authority outside Canada, are not acceptable as proof of timely mailing.

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## 2003 08 (2018-05-22) Transmission by facsimile or by epost Connect

### 1. Facsimile

- a. Unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by facsimile.
  - i. PWGSC, National Capital Region: The only acceptable facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC headquarters is 819-997-9776 or, if applicable, the facsimile number identified in the bid solicitation.
  - ii. PWGSC regional offices: The facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC regional offices is identified in the bid solicitation.
- b. For bids transmitted by facsimile, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the faxed bid including, but not limited to, the following:
  - i. receipt of garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
  - ii. availability or condition of the receiving facsimile equipment;
  - iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
  - iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
  - v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
  - vi. illegibility of the bid; or
  - vii. security of bid data.
- c. A bid transmitted by facsimile constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.

### 2. epost Connect

- a. Unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by using the [epost Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation](#).
  - i. PWGSC, National Capital Region: The only acceptable email address to use with epost Connect for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC headquarters is: [TPSGC.DGAreceptiondessaoumissions-ABBidReceiving.PWGSC@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:TPSGC.DGAreceptiondessaoumissions-ABBidReceiving.PWGSC@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca), or, if applicable, the email address identified in the bid solicitation.
  - ii. PWGSC regional offices: The only acceptable email address to use with epost Connect for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC regional offices is identified in the bid solicitation.
- b. To submit a bid using epost Connect service, the Bidder must either:
  - i. send directly its bid only to the specified PWGSC Bid Receiving Unit, using its own licensing agreement for epost Connect provided by Canada Post Corporation; or
  - ii. send as early as possible, and in any case, at least six business days prior to the solicitation closing date and time, (in order to ensure a response), an email that includes the bid solicitation number to the specified PWGSC Bid Receiving Unit requesting to open an epost Connect conversation. Requests to open an epost Connect conversation received after that time may not be answered.
- c. If the Bidder sends an email requesting epost Connect service to the specified Bid Receiving Unit in the bid solicitation, an officer of the Bid Receiving Unit will then initiate an epost Connect conversation. The epost Connect conversation will create an email notification from Canada Post Corporation prompting the Bidder to access and action the message within the conversation. The Bidder will then be able to transmit its bid afterward at any time prior to the solicitation closing date and time.
- d. If the Bidder is using its own licensing agreement to send its bid, the Bidder must keep the epost Connect conversation open until at least 30 business days after the solicitation closing date and time.
- e. The bid solicitation number should be identified in the epost Connect message field of all electronic transfers.

- f. It should be noted that the use of epost Connect service requires a Canadian mailing address. Should a bidder not have a Canadian mailing address, they may use the Bid Receiving Unit address specified in the solicitation in order to register for the epost Connect service.
- g. For bids transmitted by epost Connect service, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the bid including, but not limited to, the following:
  - i. receipt of a garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
  - ii. availability or condition of the epost Connect service;
  - iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
  - iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
  - v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
  - vi. illegibility of the bid;
  - vii. security of bid data; or,
  - viii. inability to create an electronic conversation through the epost Connect service.
- h. A bid transmitted by epost Connect service constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.

## 2.2 Submission of Bids

Bids must be submitted only to the Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit specified below by the date and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation:

Bid Receiving Public Works and Government Services Canada  
Government of Canada Building  
101 – 22nd Street East, Suite 110  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 0E1

[ROReceptionSoumissions.WRBidReceiving@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:ROReceptionSoumissions.WRBidReceiving@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca) (Bids/Offers will not be accepted if emailed directly to this email address. This email is to initiate an ePost conversation, as detailed in the Standard Instructions at Article 2.1).

Facsimile: (306) 975-5397

## 2.3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than seven (7) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

## 2.4 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Saskatchewan.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory

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specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Bidders.

## **2.5 Best Delivery Date - Bid**

While delivery is requested by February 13, 2019, the best delivery that could be offered is \_\_\_\_\_

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## PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

- If the Bidder chooses to submit its bid electronically, Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in accordance with section 08 of the 2003 standard instructions. Bidders must provide their bid in a single transmission. The epost Connect service has the capacity to receive multiple documents, up to 1GB per individual attachment.

The bid must be gathered per section and separated as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid  
Section II: Financial Bid  
Section III: Certifications  
Section IV: Additional Information

- If the Bidder chooses to submit its bid in hard copies, Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (One (1) hard copy)

Section II: Financial Bid (One (1) hard copy)

Section III: Certifications (One (1) hard copy)

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the soft copy on electronic media and the hard copy, the wording of the hard copy will have priority over the wording of the soft copy.

- If the Bidder is simultaneously providing copies of its bid using multiple acceptable delivery methods, and if there is a discrepancy between the wording of any of these copies and the electronic copy provided through epost Connect service, the wording of the electronic copy provided through epost Connect service will have priority over the wording of the other copies.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of hard copy of their bid:

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process [Policy on Green Procurement](https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=32573) (<https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=32573>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders should:

- 1) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and containing minimum 30% recycled content; and
- 2) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

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**Section I: Technical Bid**

In their technical bid, Bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

**Section II: Financial Bid**

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment.

**3.1.1 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Bid**

If you are willing to accept payment of invoices by Electronic Payment Instruments, complete Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments, to identify which ones are accepted.

If Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments is not completed, it will be considered as if Electronic Payment Instruments are not being accepted for payment of invoices.

Acceptance of Electronic Payment Instruments will not be considered as an evaluation criterion.

**3.1.2 Exchange Rate Fluctuation**

C3011T (2013-11-06), Exchange Rate Fluctuation

**Section III: Certifications**

Bidders must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

## **PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION**

### **4.1 Evaluation Procedures**

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

#### **4.1.1 Technical Evaluation**

##### **4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria**

See Annex A, Requirement

#### **4.1.2 Financial Evaluation**

SACC Manual Clause [A0222T](#) (2014-06-26), Evaluation of Price

### **4.2 Basis of Selection**

#### **4.2.1 Basis of Selection - Mandatory Technical Criteria**

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated price will be recommended for award of a contract.

## **PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

### **5.1 Certifications Required with the Bid**

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their bid.

#### **5.1.1 Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences**

In accordance with the Integrity Provisions of the Standard Instructions, all bidders must provide with their bid, **if applicable**, the declaration form available on the [Forms for the Integrity Regime](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html) website (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html>), to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

### **5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information**

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the bid non-responsive.

#### **5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation**

In accordance with the section titled Information to be provided when bidding, contracting or entering into a real procurement agreement of the [Ineligibility and Suspension Policy](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html) (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Bidder must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

#### **5.2.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification**

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list available at the bottom of the page of the [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\) - Labour's](https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#) website (<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#>).

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

## **PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

### **6.1 Security Requirements**

**6.1.1** There is no security requirement applicable to the Contract.

### **6.2 Requirement**

The Contractor must provide the items detailed under the "Requirement" at Annex "A".

### **6.3 Standard Clauses and Conditions**

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract 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-and-conditions-manual) (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

#### **6.3.1 General Conditions**

[2010A](#) (2018-06-21), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

### **6.4 Term of Contract**

#### **6.4.1 Period of the Contract**

The period of the Contract is from date of Contract to **to be determined at time of award** inclusive

#### **6.4.2 Delivery Date**

All the deliverables must be received on or before **to be determined at time of award**.

#### **6.4.3 Delivery Points**

Delivery of the requirement will be made to delivery point(s) specified at Annex "A" of the Contract.

### **6.5 Authorities**

#### **6.5.1 Contracting Authority**

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Rina Marsland  
Procurement Specialist  
Public Works and Government Services Canada  
Procurement Branch – Western Region  
101 22<sup>nd</sup> St E, Suite 110  
Saskatoon, SK S7K 0E1

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The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

### 6.5.2 Project Authority

The Technical Authority for the Contract is:

- **To be determined**

The Technical Authority named above is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Technical Authority, however the Technical Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

### 6.5.3 Contractor's Representative

(Offeror to complete)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6.6 Payment

### 6.6.1 Basis of Payment

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price, as specified in Annex A" for a cost of \$ **to be determined**. Customs duties are included, and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

### 6.6.2 Single Payment

Canada will pay the Contractor upon completion and delivery of the Work in accordance with the payment provisions of the Contract if:

- a. an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the Contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided in the Contract;
- b. all such documents have been verified by Canada;
- c. the Work delivered has been accepted by Canada.

### 6.6.3 SACC Manual Clauses

[C2000C](#) (2007-11-30), Taxes - Foreign-based Contractor  
[C2605C](#) (2008-05-12), Canadian Customs Duties and Sales Tax - Foreign-based Contractor

### 6.6.4 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Contract

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

#### To be determined

- a. Visa Acquisition Card;
- b. MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- c. Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- d. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- e. Wire Transfer (International Only);
- f. Large Value Transfer System (LVTS) (Over \$25M)

### 6.7 Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:
  - a. The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the address shown on page 1 of the Contract for certification and payment.
  - b. One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

### 6.8 Certifications and Additional Information

#### 6.8.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of the Contract and failure to comply will constitute the Contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract.

#### 6.8.2 SACC Manual Clauses

[A3000C](#) (2014-11-27), Aboriginal business Certification

## 6.9 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Saskatchewan.

## 6.10 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) the general conditions 2010A (2018-06-21), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity);
- (d) Annex A, Requirement;
- (e) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (f) the Contractor's bid dated \_\_\_\_\_

## 6.11 SACC Manual Clauses

- A9068C (2010-01-11), Government Site Regulations
- B1501C (2018-06-21), Electrical Equipment
- B7500C (2006-06-16), Excess Goods
- G1005C (2016-01-28), Insurance – No Specific Requirement

## **ANNEX "A"**

### **REQUIREMENT**

The National Research Council of Canada (NRC), Research Centre (RC) in Saskatoon, SK, has the requirement to purchase an Edge Digital 3D Microscope to be able to create real-time 3D viewing of biological specimens in their RC which is focused on crop improvement through the study of plant development and the characterization of diverse and desirable phenotypes (observable traits), to be able to visualize structural features on a variety of plant species, which is a critical capability required to advance their scientific progress.

The current imaging technology available at NRC produces flat, two-dimensional images with extremely shallow depth of field, although microscope specimens are three dimensional objects. The Edge Digital 3D microscope addresses these challenges by digitally capturing and combining multiple images of specimens into a single high resolution 3D image.

The unique features of the Edge microscopes' extended depth of focus and proprietary software greatly enhance imaging of specimens encountered in applications such as marine and plant biology.

### **DELIVERY**

All the deliverables must be on or before **to be determined at time of award.**

## COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

A complete list of the minimum mandatory performance specifications are detailed below in the “Compliance Matrix”. Bidders are to clearly demonstrate compliance with each mandatory specification.

1. Bidders **must** show compliance by addressing each performance specification in the Compliance Matrix, whether the product offered “meets” or “doesn’t meet”.
2. Bidders are requested to indicate how they meet each performance specification by recording this information under the Performance Specification Offered column in the Compliance Matrix.
3. It is requested that supporting technical documentation, including but not limited to, specification sheets, technical brochures, photographs or illustrations be provided with the bid at solicitation close and be cross-referenced on the Compliance Matrix for each performance specification to outline where in the supporting technical documentation it demonstrates compliance. It is the Bidders responsibility to ensure that the submitted supporting technical documentation provides detail to prove that the proposed product(s) meet the requirements of the Performance Specification. If published supporting technical document is not available, the Bidder should prepare a written narrative complete with a detailed explanation of how its bid demonstrates technical compliance.
4. If the supporting documentation referenced above has not been provided at bid closing, the Contracting Authority will notify the Bidder that they must provide supporting documentation within two (2) business days following notification. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority within that time period, will deem the bid non-responsive and the bid will be given no further consideration.
5. Bidders must address any concerns with the performance specifications in written detail to the Contracting Authority before bid closing as outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document.
6. Failure to meet each mandatory performance specification will result in the bid being deemed non-responsive, and be given no further consideration.

**COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS:**

Requirement:	Manufacturer Offered:	Model number Offered#:
Digital 3D Microscope		

Item #	Performance Specification	Status (M) Mandatory	Performance Specification Met? Indicate either Yes/No	Performance Specification Offered: Bidder <u>should</u> indicate how they meet the performance specification by recording this information in this column	Cross Reference: In this column, Bidders should cross-reference where this performance specification is indicated in their supporting documents.
1	Fully automated 3D imaging	M			
2	Automated Z-focus stacking	M			
3	Brightfield, Darkfield of Oblique Illumination	M			
4	Transmitted Illumination and reflected illumination	M			
5	Phase Contrast Optics	M			
6	Polarization	M			
7	Edge Panfocal Software, including 3D software and 3D computer	M			
8	Compressed 2D image of a 3D object	M			
9	Real time stereo 3D with extended depth of field	M			
10	Real time motion 3D with extended depth of field and motion parallax 30 movies	M			

11	3D stereo and motion imaging that can be performed simultaneously	M			
12	Topography (Surface Profiling)	M			
13	Tomography	M			
14	3D measurement	M			
15	4D stereo movie loops	M			
16	Conventional transmitted and reflected light capabilities (including brightfield, darkfield, phase contrast, oblique illumination and polarization)	M			
17	Modular set-up that can be adapted to an enormous range of current and future needs, including compatibility with a fluorescence module and standard objectives ranging from 2X to 100X	M			
18	Includes all components required for operation, including Panfocal software package, condenser and objective lens, 3D computer control unit with Nvidia 3D graphics card, 3D display system with 24 inch monitor and active glasses, sophisticated DSLR camera and camera head	M			
19	Infinity Apochromat Obj. Lens 4X	M			
20	Infinity Apochromat Obj. Lens 10X	M			
21	Installation and Training provided	M			

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**ANNEX "B"**

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

1. Price is to be firm unit prices, FOB Destination, including any delivery costs.
2. GST, if applicable, is not to be included in the price. It will be shown on a separate line in the resulting invoice and is payable by Canada.

<b>Line item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Price</b>
1.	Edge 3D Digital Microscope as per specifications in Annex A, Requirement.	1	\$
2.	Infinity Achromat Obj. Lens 4X	1	\$
3.	Infinity Achromat Obj. Lens 10X	1	\$
4.	Installation and Training	1	\$
<b>Total Price</b>			<b>\$</b>

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Client Ref. No. - N° de réf. du client  
31029-199329

Amd. No. - N° de la modif.  
File No. - N° du dossier  
STN-8-41061

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STN201  
CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME

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## **ANNEX "C" to PART 3 OF THE BID SOLICITATION**

### **ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS**

The Bidder accepts any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- VISA Acquisition Card;
- MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- Wire Transfer (International Only);
- Large Value Transfer System (LVTS) (Over \$25M)