

ADVANCE CONTRACT AWARD NOTICE (ACAN)

An Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) allows departments and agencies to post a notice, for no less than fifteen calendar days, indicating to the supplier community that it intends to award a good, service or construction contract to a pre-identified contractor. If no other supplier submits, during the fifteen calendar day posting period, a statement of capabilities that meet the requirements set out in the ACAN, the competitive requirements of the government's contracting policy have been met. Following notification to suppliers not successful in demonstrating that their statement of capabilities meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the contract may then be awarded using the Treasury Board's electronic bidding authorities.

If other potential suppliers submit statements of capabilities during the fifteen-calendar day posting period, and meet the requirements set out in the ACAN, the department or agency must proceed to a full tendering process on either the government's electronic tendering service or through traditional means, in order to award the contract.

Contracting Officer Name:

Michelle Owens

Telephone Number: (780) 495-4217 Facsimile: (780) 495-8570

E-mail: michelle.owens@canada.ca

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:

Subscription Services

BACKGROUND

Oxford Economics is a recognized global leader in forecasting and quantitative analysis. They offer an extensive portfolio of economic databases, analytical tools, and publications. Headquartered in Oxford, UK, they have 35 years experience offering top of class modeling expertise. For example, they received the 2017 top forecaster award by Forecast Economics, and the Sunday Times determined that Oxford Economics was the top forecasting firm among its peers over the past several years.

REQUIREMENTS/RESULTS:

Access to Oxford Economics' Global Economic Model and extension, Global Economic Databank, and Global Trade Flow Service will enable the research and analytics team to evaluate and forecast market trends and economic impact, including for WD's priorities of innovation clusters and inclusive growth, as well as Government of Canada priorities.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR

Name of Contractor: Oxford Economics

Address: 5 Hanover Square, 8th Floor

City: New York, NY

Postal Code: 10004

REASON FOR AWARDING CONTRACT TO THIS CONTRACTOR

Oxford Economics offers proprietary services that are uniquely their own. While there are other sources of data and modeling, they are not equivalent to what Oxford Economics offers. The expertise and knowledge that Oxford Economics holds, coupled with their track record of forecasting excellence, sets them apart and makes their services distinct.

ESTIMATED COST

The period of the contract will be from January 30, 2019 to January 30, 2020 and the total amount of the contract is estimated to be \$ 95,000, including taxes.

(If applicable, indicate if it is an amendment to an existing contract or if amount includes optional years.)

CMM Shared Drive: Contract Unit: Templates - ACAN. Eng.doc

APPLICABLE TRADE AGREEMENTS AND APPLICABLE LIMITED TENDERING REASONS:

Sample wording should NAFTA & AIT be applicable

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) (T.B. 10.2.8(b)) are applicable. With the absence of competition for technical reasons and that the services can only be supplied by Company X and no reasonable alternative or substitute exists is the basis for the limited tendering.

**CLOSING DATE AND TIME FOR WRITTEN SUPPLIER RESPONSES
CHALLENGING THIS REQUIREMENT IS 2:00 P.M, EASTERN TIME, 01/28/2019.**

You are hereby notified that the government intends to solicit a bid and negotiate with the firm identified above.

If you wish to submit a written response showing that you are capable of meeting this requirement, it must be done not later than the closing date and time. As it is intended to proceed in a timely manner, responses received after the closing date will not be considered. The Crown reserves the right not to open this procurement to competition.

Responses received on or before the closing date will be considered solely for the purpose of deciding whether or not to conduct a competitive procurement. Information provided will be used by the Crown for technical evaluation purposes only and is not to be construed as a competitive solicitation. Your written response must provide sufficient evidence (e.g. specifications, technical data, drawings, or any other proof) that clearly demonstrates that your product or service is capable of fulfilling this requirement.

Suppliers that have submitted a response will be notified in writing of Industry Canada's decision to continue with the non-competitive procurement or to compete the requirement.

Should you have any questions concerning this requirement, contact the contracting officer identified above. The Industry file number, the contracting officer's name and the closing date of the ACAN must appear on the outside of the envelope in block letters or, in the case of a facsimile transmission, on the covering page.