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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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| Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation W7719-175382/A | Amendment No. - N° modif. 003 |
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| Signature | Date |

SOLICITATION AMENDMENT No. 003

This solicitation amendment No. 003 is raised to:

- 1) Publish questions and answers that have been received in relation to this solicitation; and
- 2) Amend the solicitation.

- 1) The following Questions and Answers have been provided:

QUESTION 1:

"For Mandatory Criteria 1.1 – Corporate. The requirement stipulates contracts must be a minimum of 1 year duration with a minimum value of \$750k per year. This is very substantial for small businesses and challenging especially when you must name two contracts for the mandatory that then cannot be used for technical rated criteria. Would the Crown consider accepting contracts with a minimum of one (1) year duration and a minimum value of \$750k over the duration of the contract instead of solely per contract year?"

ANSWER 1:

The Crown will accept the above and an amendment to reflect this change will be seen in solicitation amendment 003.

QUESTION 2:

"We did not see any Point Rated Technical Criteria for Understanding of the Requirements and/or Approach. Yet the proposal states that bidders are to provide such an understanding while being told that this understanding will not be taken into account in the review. If not being taken into account why is this information being requested and how will it be excluded from the review process? Please delete or provide clear rated assessment criteria. We believe that the latter is preferable. Otherwise scoring will only be based on resources having relevant academic publications and not their understanding or ability to perform the work tasks required within varying applied research contexts."

ANSWER 2:

The expectation is the bid will show that the bidder understands our requirement by proposing a team that can do the work. We will be evaluating the team that is proposed as the team will be executing the work that is needed.

- 2) Solicitation Amendment:

- 2a. At Attachment 4.1, of the solicitation, "**Bid Evaluation Criteria**",

Delete: Article 1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria - Corporate, M1 PB, in its entirety; and

Insert: Article 1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria - Corporate (Revision 1), M1 PB. See below.

- 2b. At Attachment 4.1, of the solicitation, "**Bid Evaluation Criteria**",

Delete: Article 2.1 Corporate Experience, R1, in its entirety; and

Insert: Article 2.1 Corporate Experience (Revision 1), R1. See below.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED

1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria - Corporate (Revision 1)

| # | Mandatory Criteria |
|-------------------------|---|
| M1 ^{PB} | <p>The Bidder must demonstrate that they have completed at least two (2) contracts* each managing a minimum of five (5) of the following social science tasks per year;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Literature reviews. ▪ Analysis (qualitative and quantitative). ▪ Data collection. ▪ Provision of subject matter expertise. ▪ Concept development. ▪ Research design ▪ Scenario development; ▪ Program or training evaluation. ▪ Program or training design. ▪ Tool or resource creation. ▪ Outputs and report writing. ▪ Field and lab studies. <p>*Each contract example must have been carried out within the last ten (10) years from date of bid closing, must be for a minimum of 1 year in duration and a minimum value of \$750K over the duration of the contract.</p> |

2.1 Corporate Experience (Revision 1)

| # | Rated Criteria | Max Points | Proposal Page # |
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| R1 | <p>The Bidder should demonstrate that they have completed contracts managing social science tasks per year, over and above the mandatory requirement outlined in M1, Article 1.1, including the same tasks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 points for each additional contract over and above M1, Article 1.1 up to a maximum of 20 points. <p><i>*In order to be awarded points, each contract example must have been carried out within the last 10 years from date of bid closing, must be for a minimum of 1 year in duration and a minimum value of \$750K over the duration of the contract.</i></p> | 20 | |
| Maximum Points: | | 20 | |