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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT

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The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT 006

This amendment is raised to:

- 1. Provide answers to Bidder’s questions in relation to this solicitation.**

QUESTIONS:

Question #53:

In order for a project manager to receive points (or to be compliant on the mandatories) vendors are to demonstrate that the Project Manager has 12 years of experience in the past 15 years where all projects stated are a minimum of 12 months long, have billed 240 days and meet the definition of a project as defined:

“Project” and “IT project” are defined as:

- complex endeavour that will result in an information system (application) deployed in the organization, typically developed from scratch or purchased commercial off-the-shelf (COTS);
- produces several deliverables;
- often with specific milestones and goals to be met during the development cycle;
- consists of multiple stages and in some case multiple phases through a formal system development life cycle;
- managed by a project manager directing a team of technical resources working together with the Client User according to a project with deadlines and milestones;
- overseen by the office of prime interest and in many cases by a steering committee and/or Project Management Office;
- has a budget stages and deliverables that require the approval of the PM or a committee;
- a project team consists of one or more IT and client resources and one or more contracted resources; and,
- objectives are set out in a statement of work (SOW) or Task authorization (TA). The particular piece of work might be part of a larger project.
- Note to Bidders: The minimum project duration for resources, for all levels of expertise, is 6 months full-time based on actual days worked within the definition of a project as noted in 11. Glossary and Acronyms to count towards meeting experience requirements.
- Project Manager level 3 must have at least twelve (12) months full-time, based on actual days worked, on each project to count towards meeting experience requirements
- Experience is in actual months based on 240 working days a year not a date range. Experience is counted from bid posting date unless otherwise specified.

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This requirement is very restrictive and very difficult for vendors to respond to in a verifiable manner. Most Project Manager consultants work through many vendors and have multiple contracts ongoing at some times. To define twelve years of experience on 12 month long projects means the project managers must have had no breaks in service of more than 4 weeks, which can easily occur in circumstances such as the birth of a child, illness, etc.

Additionally, consultant project managers work through multiple vendors and validating the effort worked on each contract is nearly impossible for the vendor community. We can validate the level of effort on contracts which were completed through our company but have no means of doing so for contracts completed through others. Additionally, consultants are very reticent to providing companies with the actual days billed on each contract as the effort required to track this is too burdensome on independent consultants.

We respectfully believe that the number of Project Managers who have worked twelve years, in the past fifteen years, on projects which were a minimum of 12 months long and on which they billed 240 days that meet this definition is very limited or not realistic.

We request that either the 12 month duration requirement, or for the experience to be within the past 15 years be removed from this requirement.

Answer #53:

At “Notes to Bidders” – All streams:

Delete:

Experience is in actual months based on 240 working days a year not a date range. Experience is counted from bid posting date unless otherwise specified.

Insert:

Experience is in actual months based on 220 working days a year not a date range. Experience is counted from bid posting date unless otherwise specified.

Under Stream B, Project Manager (P.9), Level 3 Evaluated Resource (Core) R1:

Delete:

The Bidder’s proposed resource should have experience as a project manager in the past 15 years leading multi-disciplinary project teams (ex. a team of web developers, database administrators, testers, etc.) of five or more resources reporting directly to the project manager.

Insert:

The Bidder’s proposed resource should have experience as a project manager in the past **20** years leading multi-disciplinary project teams (ex. a team of web developers, database administrators, testers, etc.) of five or more resources reporting directly to the project manager.

Under Stream B, Project Manager (P.9), Level 2 Non-evaluated Resource R1:

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Delete:

The Bidder’s proposed resource should have experience as a project manager in the past 12 years leading multi-disciplinary project teams (ex. a team of web developers, database administrators, testers, etc.) of 5 or more resources.

Insert:

The Bidder’s proposed resource should have experience as a project manager in the past **15** years leading multi-disciplinary project teams (ex. a team of web developers, database administrators, testers, etc.) of 5 or more resources.

Question #54:

Regarding Stream C requirement M3- Contract Summary Billable Days, the bidder is requested to provide a usage report. Can the Crown please confirm that the required information to be provided in the usage report is only for the five (5) resources identified to meet the requirement and not for all resources that performed work under the contract identified?

Answer #54:

For Stream C requirement M3- Contract Summary Billable Days, Canada confirms the usage report information is only for the five (5) resources identified to meet the requirement.

Question #55:

Regarding Stream C requirement M4- Billable Resource Days, the bidder is requested to provide a usage report. Can the Crown please confirm that the required information to be provided in the usage report is only for the resources demonstrating that the bidder meets the minimum number of billable days in each of the 3 resource categories and not for all resources that performed work under each contract utilized to meet the requirement?

Answer #55:

For Stream C requirement M4- Billable Resource Days Canada confirms the usage report information is only for the three (3) resources identified to meet the requirement.

Question #56:

RFP Attachment 4.1 Bid Evaluation – Mandatory Technical Criteria, Stream A – Database Administrator, L2 position, the M2 requirement reads:

“The Bidder’s proposed resource must have a minimum of 60 months of experience within the last five years (as of the bid posting date) writing and evaluating SQL scripts including writing and tuning SQL and PL/SQL code for stored procedures, functions and triggers in one or more of the following relational database management systems (RDBMS): Oracle version 10, 11, 12 and higher versions, Microsoft SQL 2008 and higher versions.”

Question: Would the Crown consider changing this requirement to read: “...a minimum of 60 months of experience within the last six years...”, to allow for small gaps in recent assignments?

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Answer #56:

Stream A – Database Administrator (1.2) level 2 Evaluated Resource (Core), M2,

The Crown will change this requirement to read:

The Bidder's proposed resource must have a minimum of 60 months of experience within the last six years (as of the bid posting date) writing and evaluating SQL scripts including writing and tuning SQL and PL/SQL code for stored procedures, functions and triggers in one or more of the following relational database management systems (RDBMS):

Oracle version 10, 11, 12 and higher versions

Microsoft SQL 2008 and higher versions.

Question # 57

Regarding Stream C, Tester Rated requirement R5, can the Crown please confirm that the following scenario would be deemed compliant:

- The resource worked as a Tester on a Web Application Development project, where he conducted system, integration and regression testing on the web application, which integrates with a COTS (corporate IT system)?

Answer # 57

This would not be compliant. The resource must have tested COTS implementations.

Question # 58

Would the Crown please extend the current closing date to May 20th 2019?

Answer # 58

Canada extend the closing date to 2019/05/17. After this date, Canada will not further extend the closing date.
