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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 NO. 002

This amendment is raised to:

1. Provide answers to Bidders questions in relation to the above mentioned solicitation; and
2. Amend the RFP as detailed in Appendix A-2 below.

Question 21:

As we submitted questions over a week ago and have yet to receive any answers (which we need to shape our response), we respectfully request a three (3) day extension to July 11, 2019.

Response 21:

The Crown agrees to a three (3) day extension. The RFP will now close on 11 Jul 2019. Please see Appendix A-2.

Question 22:

RE: M-38

As some resources may no longer have a copy of their degree / diploma, and receiving a copy from any institution will take many weeks, could the Crown please confirm that degree confirmation from the institution will be accepted as proof?

Response 22:

As per section 3.2 (iv) (B) of the RFP, with regards to educational requirements, a copy of the results should be included with the bid and, if it is not, it should be provided, during the evaluation period, upon request, within 2 working days. As such, a degree confirmation from the institution is not sufficient.

Question 23:

RE: R-21

As written, to score full points resources need 84 months of experience within the last 84 months. This is unreasonable, as it excludes any candidate that has ever gone on short-term disability, had to take leave for a personal or family emergency, or taken bereavement leave. Many of the most qualified resources in the NCR have had to deal with such tragedies in their 20+ year careers, and this does not make their experience any less relevant to what the Crown requires. As such, we respectfully request that the Crown amend the requirement to state:

"The proposed resource should demonstrate a minimum of 60 months of combined experience within the last 120 months, at the time of bid closing, in each of the following 7 categories..."

Response 23:

This question has already been addressed under question 13.

Question 24:

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RE: R-23

As written, to score full points resources need 84 months of experience within the last 84 months. This is unreasonable, as it excludes any candidate that has ever gone on short-term disability, had to take leave for a personal or family emergency, or taken bereavement leave. Many of the most qualified resources in the NCR have had to deal with such tragedies in their 20+ year careers, and this does not make their experience any less relevant to what the Crown requires. As such, we respectfully request that the Crown amend the requirement to state:

“The proposed Resource should clearly demonstrate having a minimum of 60 months within the past 120 months of work experience establishing software testing procedures, integration test and regression test with emphasis on making these tests automated using automation testing tools such as Selenium.”

Response 24:

This question has already been addressed under question 15.

Question 25:

RE: R-24

As written, to score full points resources need 60 months of experience within the last 60 months. This is unreasonable, as it excludes any candidate that has ever gone on short-term disability, had to take leave for a personal or family emergency, or taken bereavement leave. Many of the most qualified resources in the NCR have had to deal with such tragedies in their 20+ year careers, and this does not make their experience any less relevant to what the Crown requires. As such, we respectfully request that the Crown amend the requirement to state:

“The proposed Resource should clearly demonstrate having a minimum of 36 months within the last 84 months of work experience in testing Service-Oriented Architecture, Web services in a distributed architectural environment working asynchronously.”

Response 25:

This question has already been addressed under question 16.

Question 26:

RE: R-25

As written, to score full points resources need 60 months of experience within the last 60 months. This is unreasonable, as it excludes any candidate that has ever gone on short-term disability, had to take leave for a personal or family emergency, or taken bereavement leave. Many of the most qualified resources in the NCR have had to deal with such tragedies in their 20+ year careers, and this does not make their experience any less relevant to what the Crown requires. As such, we respectfully request that the Crown amend the requirement to state:

“The proposed Resource should clearly demonstrate having a minimum of 36 months within the last 84 months of work experience as a test lead coaching/mentoring junior team members.”

Response 26:

This question has already been addressed under question 17.

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Question 27:

RE: R-21

As written, to score full points, resources need 7 years (84 months) of experience with Visual Studio 2012. The official release of Visual Studio 2012 was September 2012 (there were unofficial releases earlier in the year), and therefore it is impossible to have 84 months of experience with the tool. As such, please amend R-21 to state:

(2) Visual Studio 2010 (or later version);

Response 27:

R-21 has been amended. Please see Appendix A-2.

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Appendix A-2:

1. Canada revises the solicitation end date from Monday, July 8th, 2019 at 2:00 pm to **Thursday, July 11th, 2019 at 2:00 pm.**

2. Canada has amended the RFP as follows:

At Attachment 4.1, Mandatory Evaluation Criteria, M-16 is revised as follows:

(2) Visual Studio **2010** (or later version);

3. Canada has amended the RFP as follows:

At Attachment 4.2, Point-Rated Evaluation Criteria, R-21 is revised as follows:

(2) Visual Studio **2010** (or later version);

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED