

## **ADVANCE CONTRACT AWARD NOTICE (ACAN)**

### **1. Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN)**

An ACAN is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that a department or agency intends to award a contract for goods, services or construction to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a statement of capabilities. If no supplier submits a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in the ACAN, the contracting officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

### **2. Definition of Requirements**

The department of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) is a member of and participates through representatives in various International Energy Agency Wind Energy Technology Collaboration Programme (IEA Wind) Task working groups and Technology Expert Meetings (TEM). Canada has an interest in participating in these activities in order to represent Canadian interests, learn and adopt best practices from other participating countries and members, and contribute Canadian knowledge to the discussions and research.

NRCan has a requirement for work in the following three IEA Wind Tasks:

- Task 19 – Wind Energy in Cold Climates - <https://community.ieawind.org/task19/home>
- Task 32 – Wind Lidar Systems for Wind Energy Deployment - <https://community.ieawind.org/task32/home>
- Task 41 – Enabling Wind to Contribute to a Distributed Energy Future - <https://community.ieawind.org/task41/home>

Work include:

#### Task 19:

- Attendance of at least one meeting per year.
- Representing Canada during Task meetings and discussions.
- Active engagement in cold climate topics related to wind energy and participation in relevant research program under Task 19 that is planned, underway or recently completed.
- Summarizing research from other countries that could be relevant in a Canadian context.
- Preparing annual Task 19 report(s) summarizing what information/research was presented and received; summary of best practices; summary of latest technological developments and how they relate to or can be leveraged by Canada; any other information deemed important to the Canadian wind industry.

#### Task 32:

- Attendance of at least one meeting per year.
- Representing Canada during Task meetings and discussions.
- Active engagement in LIDAR technology and system topics related to wind energy and participation in relevant research program under Task 32 that is planned, underway or recently completed.
- Summarizing research from other countries that could be relevant in a Canadian context.
- Preparing annual Task 32 report(s) summarizing what information/research was presented and received; summary of best practices; summary of latest technological developments and how they relate to or can be leveraged by Canada; any other information deemed important to the Canadian wind industry.

#### Task 41:

- Attendance of at least one meeting per year.
- Representing Canada during Task meetings and discussions.
- Active engagement in distributed generation topics related to wind energy and participation in relevant research program under Task 41 that is planned, underway or recently completed.
- Summarizing research from other countries that could be relevant in a Canadian context.
- Preparing a Task 41 report(s) summarizing what information/research was presented and received; summary of best practices; summary of latest technological developments and how they relate to or can be leveraged by Canada; any other information deemed important to the Canadian wind industry.

### **3. Criteria for Assessment of the Statement of Capabilities**

Any interested supplier must demonstrate by way of a statement of capabilities that it meets the following requirements:

- Be an existing IEA representative for Canada or be able to become one \*;
- Have at least 5 years of experience researching cold climate operations as they relate to wind industry (this includes resource assessment, forecasting, best practices in wind plant operations in cold climate).
- Have at least 5 years of experience researching LIDAR systems for deployment of wind technologies.
- Have at least 2 years of experience researching distributed energy systems.

\* The process by which an interested supplier becomes a representative is describe here:

<https://community.ieawind.org/about/membership>

### **4. Trade Agreements**

This procurement is not subject to trade agreement(s).

### **5. Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier**

The supplier mentioned in section 11 below is the only known supplier that meets the mandatory criteria set out in section 3 above.

Should Canada receive a statement of capabilities from a supplier that contains sufficient information to indicate that it meets the requirements set forth in this ACAN, a competitive process will be triggered with a technical and financial evaluation methodology of the bids proposed by the potential bidders

### **6. Exception to the Government Contracts Regulations**

The following exception(s) to the Government Contracts Regulations is (are) invoked for this procurement under subsection 6(d) – only one person is capable of performing the work.

The identified provider, Nergica, is the only one able to meet all of the criteria identified in paragraph 3 above.

## **7. Exclusions and/or Limited Tendering Reasons**

NA

## **8. Ownership of Intellectual Property**

Ownership of any Foreground Intellectual Property arising out of the proposed contract will vest in the Natural Resources Canada

## **9. Period of the Contract**

The period of the contract will be from December 16, 2019 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 + 2 optional years.

## **10. Estimated Cost**

The estimated maximum value of the contract is less than \$55,000.00 CAD inclusive taxes.

## **11. Name and Address of the Proposed Contractor**

Nergica  
70 rue Bolduc  
Gaspé, Quebec  
G4X 1G2

## **12. Suppliers' right to submit a statement of capabilities**

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the services/goods described herein, may submit a Statement of Capabilities in writing, preferably by e-mail, to the contact person identified in this Notice on or before the closing date and time of this Notice. The Statement of Capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

## **13. Closing Date**

The closing date for a submission of a Statement of Capabilities is November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 14:00 Eastern Standard Time (EST)

## **14. Contract Authority**

Caroline Demers  
1055, rue du P.E.P.S., Quebec (Quebec) G1V 4C7  
Telephone: 418-648-8308  
[caroline.demers3@canada.ca](mailto:caroline.demers3@canada.ca)