Question #1

Are all security requirements for this Standing Offer, need to be obtained and confirmed before the closing date of Feb. 4th?

Answer # 1

6.1 Security Requirements (1) refers to the Bid Closing Date of the Request for Standing Offer

6.1 Security Requirements

- 1. at the Request for Standing Offers closing date, the following conditions must be met:
 - (a) the Offeror must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 Standing Offer;

Question #2

Article 1.4: will a report be made after the acceptance or refusal of an offeror?

Answer #2

Regret letters and a standing offer award letter will be sent to Bidders after each submission has been evaluated.

Question #3

Article 3.1: Since the submission is sent by email, will we have to partially send each section?

Answer #3

Depending on the size of the PDF, you may be required to send in multiple emails. The Financial Proposal must be a separate document from the others.

Question #4

Can expenses related to the offer be part of an annex?

Answer #4

No, we do not pay any additional expenses. All expenses should be wrapped into the bid in the amount that is charged per vehicle/per hour.

Question #5

article 4.1.1.1; M2: Being a company based in Montreal, (outside of Ottawa) what are the mandatory permits for the Offeror?

Answer #5

All permits are mandatory.

Question #6

M6: is it possible to experience a motorcade outside of a police department?

Answer #6

No, experience in a motorcade with police service is necessary.

Question #7

article 4.1.1.2; PRC3; Would a minibus from a rental company, on a short term basis, with a fixed rate be considered?

Answer #7

Yes.

Question #8

article 5.2.: can the certificates be provided later? If so, which ones?

Answer #8

As per article 5.2. the certifications and additional information listed should be submitted with the offer, but may be submitted afterwards.

Question #9

article 7.2.1: Can a company lease, during the contract period, an office that will be assessed by Canada for the level: secret?

Answer #9

The security level of the supplier's office(s) is not assessed.

Question #10

article 7.5.2 et 7.5.3.: Do these items need to be completed and included in the submission?

Answer #10

No, this will be completed by the Contracting Authority.

Question #11

article 7.10 et 7.11: Are the ordering and financial limits annual limits? What are the restrictions or permissions on purchases? Will a card be provided?

Answer #11

- No, they are not annual limits. Article 7.10 refers to individual call-ups and 7.11 refers to the maximum amount that Canada may spend over the course of the initial contract period (two (2) years).
- We do not authorize any purchases made by the supplier.
- A credit card will not be necessary for the supplier.

Question #12

Does the age of the drivers influence your decision?

Answer #12

Age has no influence. Only the experience of the drivers will be evaluated.

Question #13

Article 3.0., page 27: what is a NCR?

Answer #13

NCR is the acronym for the National Capital Region.

Question #14

article 4.3. page 29: Will an RCMP order number be provided to allow for exemplary communication?

Answer #14

No, all communications are established by the Office of Protocol on the basis of each visit.

Question #15

article 5.0. page 29: depending on the event or activity, will the bidder be advised of the dress code or is it a strict dress code (suit, shirt, dressed shoes)?

Answer #15

The dress code is not dependant on the type of event. Business attire will always be required.

Question #16

Are the accommodation costs the responsibility of the contractor?

Answer #16

Yes.

Question #17

What types of expenses is Canada willing to reimburse to the supplier?

Answer #17

Canada does not pay the Supplier's expenses.