

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AMENDMENT NO. 001

Request for Proposal Amendment no. 001 is raised for the following reasons: Questions and answers.

QUESTION 1:

A2.1 Asks the bidder to provide three (3) production printing references with print engines of 120 page per minute or greater.

We would ask that this requirement is changed to reflect the speed of the equipment requirement in this solicitation which is 80 pages per minute.

ANSWER 1:

We can lower the printed pages per minute to 80 for the references.

QUESTION 2:

Annex I

A1. Monochrome Device Specifications

This should read Colour Device Specifications

ANSWER 2:

Correct. Changed to Colour Device Specifications.

QUESTION 3:

A1.32 The cost of preventative maintenance must be included in the base FMR and be performed in during the PPM in accordance with the OEM specifications.

Preventative maintenance is covered under under the cost per copy (CPC) maintenance agreement. Can we suggest a change so that this reads... **“The cost of preventative maintenance must be included in the cost per copy maintenance price and be performed in during the PPM in accordance with the OEM specifications.”**

This is stated in:B2.

Cost Per Copy/Print (CPC) The fixed (or firm) rate per print or copy including related supplies or consumables (i.e. toner, developer, etc.) and preventive and remedial maintenance.

ANSWER 3:

Yes.

QUESTION 4:

A1.8 Must have the ability to scan and forward jobs electronically to another device or queue.

Please clarify this requirement. Does the client want to scan documents to be saved in a certain file format so that they can then be sent to one or both of the proposed printers?

ANSWER 4:

Must have the ability to scan and forward jobs electronically to each colour printing devices or queue.

QUESTION 5:

A1.9 All colour printers must have the capacity to build and print jobs with 8 cut tab stock using the supplied print software.

Is there a requirement to print on the tab?

ANSWER 5:

Solution must ensure PCO can print and program jobs on 8 cut tabs.

QUESTION 6:

A1.9 Inline automatic document handler must have a minimum of 250 sheet capacity up to 11" x 17".
Please confirm the automatic document handler refers to the need for an Originals Document Feeder

ANSWER 6:

Yes. We are referring to the need for an Originals Document Feeder with the capacity to hold 250 sheets of up to 11" x17" paper.

QUESTION 7:

Annex I

A1.22 The equipment must be certified by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA).
We respectfully ask that an equivalent certification be accepted.
Security Standardization for Canada

The TÜV SÜD safety mark is recognized by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) and demonstrates mandatory compliance with Canadian electrical safety standards.

Electrical equipment covered by the Canadian Electrical Code must be certified to meet national product safety standards for Canada.

All certification bodies must be accredited by the Standards Council of Canada meeting the ISO / IEC 17065 standard; they must also be recognized as competent in product certification by the provincial regulatory bodies, as is the case for TÜV SÜD.

TÜV SÜD understands the importance of accessing the international market and the impact of delayed compliance on a project. For more than a century, companies around the world have trusted TÜV SÜD to help them achieve their certification goals.

<https://www.tuv-sud.ca/ca-en/services-by-activity/testing-services/safety-testing-and-product-certification/safety-testing-canada-scc>

ANSWER 7:

The equipment must be certified by the Canadian Standards Association or equivalent.

QUESTION 8:

Part 5 Certifications
Common Criteria Security Certification - The Common Criteria certification is typically for office multi-function devices and not relevant for production devices across the industry. Can you respectfully remove this requirement?

This requirement was removed from a recent RFP for a similar product requirement.

ANSWER 8:

Yes, please remove this.

QUESTION 9:

What is the current colour equipment configuration/models being used today?

ANSWER 9:

Not relevant to the solicitation. Please see solicitation for all requirements.

QUESTION 10:

What current front-end processing tools are you using for that equipment?

ANSWER 10:

Not relevant to the solicitation. Please see solicitation for all requirements.

QUESTION 11:

Please confirm that Privy Council expects vendors to include digital front-end processing (i.e. Fiery Print Controller) with the bid?

ANSWER 11:

Solution must include processing capacity to meet criteria defined in SOW.

QUESTION 12:

Does the Privy Council currently utilize Composition Software for creating Tab jobs, page numbering etc.? If yes which Composition Software? Should the vendor include Composition Software in their bid?

ANSWER 12:

Not relevant to the solicitation. Please see solicitation for all requirements.

QUESTION 13:

A1.14: Would Privy Council consider reducing the document feeder capacity to 220 pages from 250 allowing more vendors to be able to respond?

ANSWER 13:

Yes.

QUESTION 14:

If job build functionality is provided to allow the user to build up jobs by increasing the number of originals per job as necessary (far beyond the 250 page limit stated) and with the only limit to the size of the job being the HD capacity size itself, would Privy Council consider lowering the specification noted in A1.14 from a minimum of 250 sheets capacity up to 11" x 17" to 220 sheets capacity up to 11" x 17" allowing more vendors to be able to respond?

ANSWER 14:

Yes.

QUESTION 15:

Delivery – page 19 of 58, given COVID-19 situation is the Privy council Print shop still operating and able accept delivery within the stated period?

ANSWER 15:

Yes. However the situation is fluid so dates could change.

QUESTION 16:

Page 34 of 58 – What is the actual average monthly volumes in colour and black and white for these two devices over the last 2 or 3 years?

ANSWER 16:

Please see requested estimates of monthly volumes in Basis of Payment Pg 34.

QUESTION 17:

Page 34 of 59 – Can you tell us the average total 11 x 17 volume per month?

ANSWER 17:

Please see requested estimates of monthly volumes in Basis of Payment Pg 34.

QUESTION 18:

Page 51 of 58 – Will SSC be providing the vendors the blank SCSI form to submit?

ANSWER 18:

No form, SCSI will be addressed during evaluation.

QUESTION 19:

Concerning References: Typically the speed of 120 PPM is a monochrome specification. This request is specifically for colour devices. Would Privy Council consider lowering the PPM speed to 80 PPM the required mandatory minimum speed in Colour?

ANSWER 19:

We agreed to lower the speed to 80PPM in a previous Vendor question.

QUESTION 20:

As per Annex J, Privy is requesting a SCSI Form for suppliers and sub-contractors. No SCSI is included currently with this request. Please forward form for completion.

ANSWER 20:

Please see answer 18.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) REMAIN UNCHANGED.