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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

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

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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AMENDMENT NO. 002

This amendment is raised to answer Bidder's questions.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question 2:

1. The RFP section 6.1 Security Requirement states: (a) Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:

(i) the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 - Resulting Contract Clauses;

7.5 Security Requirement, then states:

(a) The Contractor/Offeror must, at all times during the performance of the Contract/Standing Offer, hold a valid Facility Security Clearance at the level of TOP SECRET and NATO SECRET, issued by the Contract Security Program (CSP), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).

Our questions:

Will a current facility security level of NATO SECRET suffice for the conduct of this contract if a bidder is selected?

If no, will the award of this project itself will form the basis for the winning bidder to be sponsored by this project to hold a TOP SECRET facility clearance?

If yes, how long is the bidder allowed after contract award to achieve the facility clearance of TOP SECRET?

Must the bidder currently hold a Top Secret facility clearance prior to commencement of the contract?

Is it possible that DRDC can provide the TOP SECRET facility needs of this project to a winning bidder if they hold an existing NATO SECRET facility clearance?

Answer 2:

- As per section 7.5 (a) of the RFP, the Contractor must at all times during the performance of the Contract hold a valid Facility Security Clearance at the level of both TOP SECRET and NATO SECRET.
- As per section 6.1(a) of the RFP, the Bidder must meet all the security conditions and requirements before award of a contract.
- This requirement can be used to sponsor a bidder to meet the security requirement. As per section 6.1(b) of the RFP, Bidders are reminded to obtain the required security clearance promptly. Any delay in the award of a contract to allow the successful Bidder to obtain the required clearance will be at the entire discretion of the Contracting Authority.

Question 3:

The RFP states: This bid solicitation is being issued to satisfy the requirement of the Defence Research and Development Canada (the "Client") for Task-Based Informatics Professional Services (TBIPS) under

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the TBIPS Supply Arrangement (SA) method of supply. This requirement is for the provision of Informatics professional services to support the Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) based joint Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR).

Question: If we had previously qualified for TBIPS in the "GIS" category alone may we bid on this contact across all labour categories?

Answer 3:

Please see updated Notice of Proposed Procurement (NPP). The requirement is not a Task Based Informatics Professional Services (TBIPS) requirement.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.
NOTE: A BID ALREADY SUBMITTED MAY BE AMENDED PRIOR TO THE
CLOSING DATE. AMENDING CORRESPONDENCE MUST ADDRESS THE
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