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**AMENDMENT TO THE
REQUEST FOR A STANDING
OFFER**

**MODIFICATION A LA
DEMANDE D'OFFRE A
COMMANDES**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Request for a Standing Offer remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de la demande d'offre à commandes demeurent les mêmes.

Comments: - Commentaries :

Title – Sujet SO- Emergency Response Team (ERT) Compact Tactical Life Preservers (CTLP)		Date October 26 th , 2020
Solicitation No. – N° de l'invitation 202100914A		Amendment No. – N° de la modification 001
Client Reference No. - No. De Référence du Client 202100914		
Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin		
At /à :	14 :00	EST(Eastern StandardTime) HAE (heure avancée de l'Est)
On / le :	November 23rd, 2020	
Delivery - Livraison See herein — Voir aux présentes	Taxes - Taxes See herein — Voir aux présentes	Duty – Droits See herein — Voir aux présentes
Destination of Goods and Services – Destinations des biens et services See herein — Voir aux présentes		
Instructions See herein — Voir aux présentes		
Address Inquiries to – Adresser toute demande de renseignements à Candice.therien@rcmp-grc.gc.ca		
Telephone No. – No. de téléphone		Facsimile No. – No. de télécopieur

Delivery Required – Livraison exigée See herein — Voir aux présentes	Delivery Offered – Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name, Address and Representative – Raison sociale, adresse et représentant du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur:	
Telephone No. – No. de telephone	Facsimile No. – No. de télécopieur
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) – Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date



This amendment is raised to address the following:

- To respond to questions received during the RFSO period
- To revise the RFSO accordingly, as applicable

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q1) I wanted to request clarification for the Phase I Bid Evaluation as to whether a written Statement of Compliance with supporting technical documentation in the form of a product brochure and user manual are sufficient, or are physical samples needed?

A1) As per Annex D for Phase I, to demonstrate compliance, brochures and manuals must be submitted by the Offeror to the email address listed on the first page of the RFSO document. Samples are not required for this Phase.

Q2) For the Phase II User Trial and Determination of Technical Merit Score trial contract, will the price for the bid submission samples be expected to be the same prices that the Offeror has in their Financial Offer for the overall Standing Offer?

A2) Please see attached revised Basis of Payment.

Q3) At Annex D - Bid Evaluation Phase I it states that the Offeror must be a current Life Preserver manufacturer and must have been in business of developing, manufacturing and selling life preservers for a minimum of five (5) years.

Please confirm if you will accept bids from an authorized distributor or reseller?

A3) Yes,. Please see attached revised certification documents at Part 5.

Q4) At Annex D, Item 1 – Can you please advise what type of independent laboratory test results are being requested?

A4) The independent laboratory testing should be something in line with UL(USA) or ULC (Canada) testing standards. UL1180 and ULC1180 are standards used to test life preservers. Transport Canada looks for these test results when approving new PFD.

If specific laboratory results are not available, the company needs to demonstrate any testing that has been completed for the product they are putting forward.

RFSO AMENDMENTS

Amendment 1.

At Part 2.2 Submission of Offers

Delete in it's entirety

Replace with the following

2.2 Submission of Offers

Offers must be submitted only to RCMP Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.



NOTE: The RCMP has not been approved for bid submission by epost Connect service.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to RCMP will not be accepted.

Amendment 2

At section 3.1. Offer Preparation Instructions

Delete in its entirety

Replace with the following

3.1 Offer Preparation Instructions

Canada requests that the Offeror submit its complete **email** offer in separately saved and attached sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Offer (one soft copy in PDF format)

Section II: Financial Offer (one soft copy in PDF format)

Section III: Certifications (one soft copy in PDF format)

Important Note:

For offers transmitted by email, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the offer including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. receipt of garbled or incomplete offer;
- b. availability or condition of the receiving equipment;
- c. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
- d. delay in transmission or receipt of the offer;
- e. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the offer;
- f. illegibility of the offer; or
- g. security of offer data.

An offer transmitted electronically constitutes the formal offer of the Offeror and must be submitted in accordance with section 05 of 2006 (2018-05-22) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements.

RCMP has restrictions on incoming e-mail messages. The maximum e-mail message size including all file attachments must not exceed 5MB. Zip files will not be accepted. Incoming e-mail messages exceeding the maximum file size and/or containing zip file attachments will be blocked from entering the RCMP e-mail system. A bid transmitted by e-mail that gets blocked by the RCMP e-mail system will be considered not received. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to ensure receipt.

NOTE: The RCMP has not been approved for bid submission by epost Connect Service

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, Offers transmitted by facsimile will not be accepted.



Prices must appear in the financial offer only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the offer.

Section I: Technical Offer

In their technical offer, Offerors should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work. (Reference Part 4, Evaluation Procedures, 4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria).

Section II: Financial Offer

Offerors must submit their financial offer in accordance with the "Annex B, Basis of Payment". The total amount of Applicable Taxes must be shown separately.

Amendment 3

At Part 5 – Certifications and Additional Information

Delete in its entire

Replace with the following:



PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Offerors must provide the required certifications and additional information to be issued a standing offer.

The certifications provided by Offerors to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare an offer non-responsive, will have the right to set-aside a standing offer, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Offeror is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly during the offer evaluation period, during the Standing Offer period, or during the contract period.

The Standing Offer Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Offeror's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Standing Offer Authority will render the offer non-responsive, result in the setting aside of the Standing Offer or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the offer, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Standing Offer Authority will inform the Offeror of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the offer non-responsive.

5.1.1 Integrity Provisions

In accordance with the section titled Information to be provided when bidding, contracting, or entering into a real property agreement subject to the *Ineligibility and Suspension Policy* (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Offeror must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process:

- Declaration of Convicted Offences - Integrity Declaration Form (as applicable)
- Required Documentation (List of names for integrity verification form)

Please see the [Forms for the Integrity Regime](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/formulaires-forms-eng.html) website for further details (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/formulaires-forms-eng.html>).

5.1.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Standing Offer Certification

By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that the Offeror, and any of the Offeror's members if the Offeror is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](#)" list available at the bottom of the page of the [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\) – Labour's](#) website (<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#>).

Canada will have the right to declare an offer non-responsive, or to set-aside a Standing Offer, if the Offeror, or any member of the Offeror if the Offeror is a Joint Venture, appears on the "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](#)" list at the time of issuing of a Standing Offer or during the period of the Standing Offer.

5.2 Additional Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer

5.2.1 Independent Bid Determination



The attached Certificate of Independent Bid Determination (attached Annex "F") has been developed by the federal Competition Bureau for use by the Standing Offer Authority when calling for bids, tenders or quotations. The intention of this documentation is to deter bid-rigging by requiring bidders to disclose, to the Standing Offer Authority, all material facts about any communications and arrangements which the bidder has entered into with competitors regarding the call for tenders.

5.2.2 Manufacturer-Authorized Distributor

By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that the Offeror is authorized by the manufacturer to distribute the products listed in Annex A. Canada will have the right to declare an offer non-responsive, or to set-aside a Standing Offer, if the Offeror is deemed to be an unauthorized distributor at the time of issuing of a Standing Offer or during the period of the Standing Offer.



Amendment 4

At Annex “B” Basis of Payment

Delete in its entirety

Replace with the following:

**ANNEX "B"
BASIS OF PAYMENT**

The Offeror will be paid firm unit price(s) in Canadian dollars, applicable taxes excluded, Incoterms 2010, transportation costs included.

1A. Firm Requirements (Trials)

Description	QTY	Firm Unit Price	Total Extended Price
ERT Compact Tactical Life Preserver	3	\$	\$
Re-Arm kits	30	\$	\$

1B Initial Standing Offer Period – from date of issuance for one (1) year period.

Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable Taxes extra												
Description	Unit of Issue	B Div	O Div	C Div	H Div	E Div	J Div	TTS	CIP	E Div	Nat Div	Total Extended Price (Sum of all divisions)
ERT Compact Tactical Life Preserver	EACH	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$



Re-Arm kits	EACH	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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1C Option Period 1

Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable Taxes extra												
Description	Unit of Issue	B Div	O Div	C Div	H Div	E Div	J Div	TTS	CIP	E Div	Nat Div	Total Extended Price (Sum of all divisions)
ERT Compact Tactical Life Preserver	EACH	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Re-Arm kits	EACH	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

1D Option Period 2

Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable Taxes extra												
Description	Unit of Issue	B Div	O Div	C Div	H Div	E Div	J Div	TTS	CIP	E Div	Nat Div	Total Extended Price (Sum of all divisions)
ERT Compact Tactical Life Preserver		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$



	EACH											
Re-Arm kits	EACH	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Total Aggregate Price = (Sum of all Extended Price (initial period (1B) + Option year 1 (1C) + Option year 2 (1D))

NOTES:

Estimated Usage over the next 5 years is approximately 300 CTLP

See Appendix 1 to Annex B for the list of delivery address



Amendment 5

At Annex “D” Bid Evaluation (Phase I)

Delete in its entirety

Replace with the following:

**ANNEX “D”
BID EVALUATION (PHASE I)**

The Phase I evaluation will be based upon the Bidder’s experience in developing, manufacturing and/or selling ERT Compact Tactical Life Preservers, and the provision of technical information, drawings and/or brochures that detail the product being offered. All compliant offers will be included in the next phase of the process (User trial). There is no consideration for price at this point in the evaluation process.

Item #	Requirement	Proof of Compliance	Compliant (Y/N)
1	<p><u>Expertise and Proven Design</u> The manufacturer of the proposed CTLP must be a current Life Preserver manufacturer that has significant experience in life preservers for military or police organizations as follows: (a) Manufacturer Qualifications –must have been in business of developing, manufacturing and selling life preservers for a minimum of five (5) years; and (b) Proven Design – The Tactical Life Preserver must be a Commercial-Off-The Shelf (COTS) or Military-Off-The-Shelf (MOTS) product that is in current production and, at time of bid submission must be in use by an American, British, Canadian, or Australian (ABCA) military organization or a North American (Canada or United States) civilian police agency. (c) The Offeror must provide any independent laboratory testing results that have been completed on the CTLP they are submitting for consideration.</p>		
2	Annex A – Performance and Technical Specifications	The Offeror must provide brochures, diagrams or any other technical information that details the ERT Compact Tactical Life Preserver being offered. RCMP will conduct a	



		compliance verification of the CTLP Specifications detailed in Annex A upon receipt prior to the User Trials.	
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