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d'une soumission  
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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION**

**Proposal To: Public Works and Government  
Services Canada**

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right  
of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions  
set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the  
goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any  
attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

**Proposition aux: Travaux Publics et Services  
Gouvernementaux Canada**

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la  
Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou  
incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes  
ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés  
ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

**Comments - Commentaires**

<b>Title - Sujet</b> EM Tissue Processor Appareil de microscopie électronique pour la préparation des tissus	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 39903-210247/A	<b>Date</b> 2020-11-06
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<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> Central Standard Time CST <b>on - le 2020-11-24</b> Heure Normale du Centre HNC	
<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Wall, Ruwani	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> wpg021
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (204) 510-7848 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> ( ) -
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b> CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY C/O PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY OF CANADA UNIT 41, 820 BERRY STREET WINNIPEG Manitoba R3H1H2 Canada	

**Instructions: See Herein**

**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

**Vendor/Firm Name and Address**

**Raison sociale et adresse du  
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

**Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution**

Public Works and Government Services Canada - Western  
Region  
Victory Building/Édifrice Victory  
Room 310/pièce 310  
269 Main Street/269 rue Main  
Winnipeg  
Manitoba  
R3C 1B3

<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b> See Herein – Voir ci-inclus	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
<b>Vendor/Firm Name and Address</b> <b>Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur</b>	
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> <b>Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur</b>	
<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

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## **PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **1.1 Requirement**

The requirement is detailed under Article "6.2" of the resulting contract clauses.

### **1.2 Debriefings**

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

### **1.3 Canadian Content**

The requirement is subject to a preference for Canadian goods.

### **1.4 epost Connect service**

This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the epost Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled Bid Preparation Instructions, of the bid solicitation, for further information.

## **PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS**

### **2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions**

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the [Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The [2003](#) (2020-05-28) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

### **2.2 Submission of Bids**

Bids must be submitted only to the Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit specified below by the date and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation:

#### **PWGSC Western Region Bid Receiving Unit**

Only bids submitted using epost Connect service will be accepted. The Bidder must send an email requesting to open an epost Connect conversation to the following address:

[roreceptionSoumissions.wrbidreceiving@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:roreceptionSoumissions.wrbidreceiving@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

**Note:** Bids will not be accepted if emailed directly to this email address. This email address is to be used to open an epost Connect conversation, as detailed in Standard Instructions [2003](#), or to send bids through an epost Connect message if the bidder is using its own licensing agreement for epost Connect.

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It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure the request for opening an epost Connect conversation is sent to the email address above at least six days before the solicitation closing date.

Bids transmitted by facsimile or hardcopy to PWGSC will not be accepted.

### 2.3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than 5 calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

### 2.4 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Manitoba.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Bidders.

### 2.5 Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms

- (a) Several mechanisms are available to potential suppliers to challenge aspects of the procurement process up to and including contract award.
- (b) Canada encourages suppliers to first bring their concerns to the attention of the Contracting Authority. Canada's [Buy and Sell](#) website, under the heading "[Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms](#)" contains information on potential complaint bodies such as:
  - Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO)
  - Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)
- (c) Suppliers should note that there are **strict deadlines** for filing complaints, and the time periods vary depending on the complaint body in question. Suppliers should therefore act quickly when they want to challenge any aspect of the procurement process.

## PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

The Bidder must submit its bid electronically in accordance with section 08 of the [2003](#) standard instructions. The epost Connect system has a limit of 1GB per single message posted and a limit of 20GB per conversation.

The bid must be gathered per section and separated as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid

Section II: Financial Bid

Section III: Certifications

**Bids transmitted by facsimile or hardcopy will not be accepted.**

**Section I: Technical Bid**

In their technical bid, Bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

**Section II: Financial Bid**

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment.

**3.1.1 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Bid**

If you are willing to accept payment of invoices by Electronic Payment Instruments, complete Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments, to identify which ones are accepted.

If Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments is not completed, it will be considered as if Electronic Payment Instruments are not being accepted for payment of invoices.

Acceptance of Electronic Payment Instruments will not be considered as an evaluation criterion.

**3.1.2 Exchange Rate Fluctuation**

*SACC Manual* Clause [C3011T](#) (2013-11-06), Exchange Rate Fluctuation

**Section III: Certifications**

Bidders must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

**PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION**

**4.1 Evaluation Procedures**

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.
- (c) The evaluation team will determine if there are two (2) or more bids with a valid Canadian content certification with the bids coming from two or more Bidders that are not affiliated within the meaning used in the *Competition Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. C-34. In that event, only those bids with a valid certification will be eligible to be awarded a contract; otherwise, all bids will be eligible. If at any point in the evaluation process it is found, whether by determination of invalidity of certifications, determination that bids are non-responsive or withdrawal of bids by Bidders, that there are no longer two (2) or more responsive bids with a valid certification, then all responsive bids will be eligible to be awarded a contract. Canada may conduct the validation of Canadian content certifications at any time in the evaluation process including doing so concurrently with other steps.

#### 4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

##### 4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

- a) Bidders must complete the Compliance Matrix detailed in Appendix "A". Completion is defined as indication of compliance and cross-reference to each mandatory criterion as outlined in Annex A, Requirement.
- b) Provision of, and compliance with the Basis of Payment, as identified under Annex "B".

#### 4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

SACC *Manual* Clause [A0222T](#) (2014-06-26), Evaluation of Price-Canadian/Foreign Bidders

#### 4.2 Basis of Selection – Mandatory Technical Criteria

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated price will be recommended for award of a contract.

### PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

#### 5.1 Certifications Required with the Bid

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their bid.

##### 5.1.1 Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences

In accordance with the Integrity Provisions of the Standard Instructions, all bidders must provide with their bid, **if applicable**, the declaration form available on the [Forms for the Integrity Regime](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html) website (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html>), to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

##### 5.1.2.1 Canadian Content Certification

**This procurement is conditionally limited to Canadian goods.**

Subject to the evaluation procedures contained in the bid solicitation, bidders acknowledge that only bids with a certification that the good(s) offered are Canadian goods, as defined in clause [A3050T](#), may be considered.

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Failure to provide this certification completed with the bid will result in the good(s) offered being treated as non-Canadian goods.

The Bidder certifies that:

( ) the good(s) offered are Canadian goods as defined in paragraph 1 of clause [A3050T](#).

**5.1.2.1.2** SACC Manual clause [A3050T](#) (2020-07-01), Canadian Content Definition

## **5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information**

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder 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 bid non-responsive.

### **5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation**

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

### **5.2.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification**

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder 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 a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

## **PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

### **6.1 Security Requirements**

**6.1.1** There is no security requirement applicable to the Contract.

### **6.2 Requirement**

The Contractor must provide the items detailed under the "Requirement" at Annex "A".

### **6.3 Standard Clauses and Conditions**

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All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the [Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

### 6.3.1 General Conditions

[2010A](#) (2020-05-28), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

### 6.4 Term of Contract

#### 6.4.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is from date of Contract to 2021-03-31 inclusive.

#### 6.4.2 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received on or before 2021-03-31.

#### 6.4.3 Delivery Points

Delivery of the requirement will be made to delivery point(s) specified at Annex "A" of the Contract.

### 6.5 Authorities

#### 6.5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name: Ruwani Wall  
Title: Procurement Officer  
Public Works and Government Services Canada  
Acquisitions Branch  
Address:  
310-269 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 1B3, Canada

Telephone: 204-510-7848  
E-mail address: [Ruwani.wall@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca](mailto:Ruwani.wall@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca)

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

#### 6.5.2 Project Authority

The Project Authority for the Contract is:

**TBD.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority, however the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

### 6.5.3 Contractor's Representative (to be filled out by bidder)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6.6 Payment

### 6.6.1 Basis of Payment – Firm Unit Prices

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm unit price, as specified in contract for a cost of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

SACC Manual Clause [C6000C](#) (2017-08-17), Limitation of price

### 6.6.2 Single Payment

SACC Manual Clauses [H1000C](#) (2008-05-12), Single Payment

### 6.6.3 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Manual Clause [C2000C](#) (2007-11-30), Taxes - Foreign-based Contractor

### 6.6.4 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Contract

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

#### **TBD.**

- a. Visa Acquisition Card;
- b. MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- c. Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- d. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- e. Wire Transfer (International Only)

## 6.7 Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:
  - a. The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the address shown on page 1 of the Contract for certification and payment.

Canadian Food Inspection Agency  
1015 Arlington St.  
Arlington St.  
Winnipeg, MB  
Canada

- b. One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

## 6.8 Certifications and Additional Information

### 6.8.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of the Contract and failure to comply will constitute the Contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract.

## 6.9 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Manitoba.

## 6.10 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) the general conditions [2010A](#) (2020-05-28), General conditions: Goods (medium complexity);
- (c) Annex A, Requirement;
- (d) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated \_\_\_\_\_;

## 6.11 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Manual Clause [B1501C](#) (2018-06-21), Electrical equipment

SACC Manual Clause [G1005C](#) (2016-01-28), Insurance - No Specific Requirement

## 6.12 Dispute Resolution

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- (a) The parties agree to maintain open and honest communication about the Work throughout and after the performance of the contract.
- (b) The parties agree to consult and co-operate with each other in the furtherance of the contract and promptly notify the other party or parties and attempt to resolve problems or differences that may arise.
- (c) If the parties cannot resolve a dispute through consultation and cooperation, the parties agree to consult a neutral third party offering alternative dispute resolution services to attempt to address the dispute.
- (d) Options of alternative dispute resolution services can be found on Canada's Buy and Sell website under the heading "[Dispute Resolution](#)".

## **ANNEX "A"**

### **REQUIREMENT**

#### **Introduction:**

The Electron Microscopy Facility (EM) at the CFIA's National Center for Foreign Animal Diseases in Winnipeg is the only federal government facility, providing EM diagnostics and research services for Foreign and Indigenous Animal Diseases. The ability to provide tissue processing services upon request is a fundamental part of insuring food safety for Canada.

The EM facility is in a shared space located in a secure, level three biocontainment area (CL3). When considering replacement equipment for the EM lab, space requirements is one of the most important considerations. It is critically important that replacement instruments do not exceed the stated maximum footprint outlined below.

#### **Mandatory Physical Specifications:**

- 1a.** - Maximum footprint of the unit must not exceed 43 cm W x 70 cm D x 70 cm H
- 1b.** - Electrical: 110/120VAC, 50/60 Hz.
- 1c.** - Weight: Maximum 25 Kg.

#### **Mandatory Performance Specifications:**

- 2a.** – Must be able to conduct tissue processing temperatures between 2<sup>0</sup>c - 70<sup>0</sup>c.
- 2b.** – Must be able to accept consumables available from multiple vendors.
- 2c.** – Must have an internal battery back-up.
- 2d.** – Must be able to conduct sample agitation during processing.
- 2e.** – Must be able to conduct fume extraction.
- 2f.** – Must be equipped with 24 position carousel for EM sample processing.
- 2g.** – Must be able to conduct EM tissue processing using resins.
- 2h.** – Must be able to conduct light microscopy (LM) tissue processing using resins.

#### **Additional Requirements:**

- 3a.** - On site installation in CL3 lab by a technical expert. Upon arrival at the facility contractors are escorted until they leave the facility.
- 3b.** - On site training required for up to two staff. Time and date for training is based on supplier recommendation and Project Authority needs. Time and date for training will be determined by the successful supplier and Project Authority.
- 3c.** – Must provide access to technical support. Technical support should be available 24/7 via phone and online. In person support should be available no more than 3 days after a request from Project Authority.
- 3d.** - Vendor must be able to provide service within 3 business days of being notified.
- 3e.** – Must provide 12 month warranty on parts and labor.
- 3f.** - Preventative maintenance visit one year after installation including parts, labour and travel. One year after installation, a scheduled on site preventative maintenance (PM) visit will be scheduled at the suppliers expense. PM expenses include parts, labor and all travel related costs.
- 3g.** – Must allow for software updates and tech updates.
- 3h.** – Must provide an Operation and Service manual (English - hard copy / digital). If remote updates are not possible, the supplier will provide updates if they can be installed by the customer. Failing this option, the supplier will come in person to make any updates at the supplier's expenses.

## **APPENDIX "A"**

### **COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Mandatory Technical Specifications**

##### **Instructions to Bidders:**

1. A complete list of the mandatory evaluation criteria are detailed in the Compliance Matrix below.
2. Bids which fail to meet all of the mandatory evaluation criteria will be declared non-responsive.
3. Bidders should demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they meet each mandatory evaluation criteria. Bidder should demonstrate their capability in a thorough, concise and clear manner.
4. The technical bid should address clearly and in sufficient depth the points that are subject to the evaluation criteria against which the bid will be evaluated. Simply repeating the statement contained in the bid solicitation or stating, without any substantiating information, that a bidder is compliant will not be sufficient.
5. Substantiating information may include, but is not limited to, specification sheets, technical brochures, photographs or illustrations. If published supporting technical documentation is not available, the Bidder should prepare a written narrative complete with a detailed explanation of how its bid demonstrates technical compliance. All substantiating information should be provided with the bid at solicitation closing date. It is the Bidders responsibility to ensure that the submitted supporting technical documentation provides detail to demonstrate that the proposed product(s) meet the requirements of the evaluation criteria.
6. If the supporting documentation referenced above has not been provided at bid closing, the Contracting Authority will notify the Bidder that they must provide supporting documentation within two (2) business days following notification. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority within that time period, will deem the bid non-responsive and the bid will be given no further consideration.
7. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that bidders address and present the topics in the order of the evaluation criteria, and include a grid in their proposal, containing the information which demonstrates how the bidder meets each evaluation criteria. Alternatively, and to avoid any duplication, bidders may also refer to the different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.
8. Bidders must address any concerns with the performance specifications in written detail to the Contracting Authority before bid closing as outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document.

**COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS:**

<b>Requirement:</b>		<b>Manufacturer(s) Offered:</b>	<b>Model Number(s) Offered:</b>	
<b>Item #</b>	<b>Performance Specification</b>	<b>Status</b> (M) Mandatory (D) Desirable*	<b>Performance Specification Offered:</b> Bidder <u>should</u> indicate how they meet the performance specification by recording this information in this column	<b>Cross Reference:</b> In this column, Bidders <u>should</u> cross-reference where this performance specification is indicated in their supporting documents
<b>1.0</b>				
1.1	Maximum footprint of the unit must not exceed 43 cm W x 70 cm D x 70 cm H	M		
1.2	Electrical: 110/120VAC, 50/60 Hz.	M		
1.3	Weight: Maximum 25Kg.	M		
<b>2.0</b>				
2.1	Tissue processing temperatures between 2 <sup>0</sup> c - 70 <sup>0</sup> c.	M		
2.2	Consumables inputted to the processor must meet generic	M		

	standards/available from multiple vendors.			
2.3	Internal battery back-up.	M		
2.4	Sample agitation during processing.	M		
2.5	Fume extraction.	M		
2.6	24 position carousel for EM sample processing.	M		
2.7	EM tissue processing using resins.	M		
2.8	Light microscopy (LM) tissue processing using resins.	M		

\*Desirables will not be used as part of the evaluation.

## 2.0 Deliverables

2.1 Technical documentation.

## 3.0 Delivery and Installation

The system must be delivered and installed on or before March 31, 2021 at The Canadian Food Inspection Agency, c/o: The Public Health Agency of Canada, Unit 41 – 820 Berry St., Winnipeg, MB, R3H 1H2.

**ANNEX "B"**

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

**When completed, Annex B will be considered as the Bidder's Financial Bid.**

- It is MANDATORY that Bidders submit firm prices for the period of the proposed Contract for all items listed hereafter. This section, when completed, will be considered as the Bidder's financial proposal.
- Bidders MUST provide bids as per unit of issue requested. It is the responsibility of the bidder to provide conversion to the unit of issue requested. Failure to do so will render the bid non-responsive without further consideration.
- Should there be an error in the extended pricing of the Bidder's proposal, the unit pricing shall prevail and the extended pricing shall be corrected in the evaluation. Any errors in the quantities of the Bidder's proposal shall be changed to reflect the quantities stated in the RFP.
- Rates quoted must remain firm for the period of the Contract. Rates MUST include ALL costs associated with providing the goods and/or services in accordance with the Requirement, Annex "A" attached herein. GST, if applicable, is to be shown as a separate item on any resulting invoice. Payment will be made in accordance with the following pricing.

Item #	Description	Quantity	Unit of Issue	Unit Price	Total Price CAD
1	Electron Microscopy Tissue Processor	1	LOT	\$ _____	\$ _____
2	Delivery to: The Canadian Food Inspection Agency c/o: The Public Health Agency of Canada Unit 41 – 820 Berry St. Winnipeg, MB R3H 1H2				\$ _____
3	Installation				\$ _____
4	Training for up to two (2) staff				\$ _____
<b>Extended Total :</b>					<b>\$ _____</b>
<b>GST:</b>					<b>\$ _____</b>
<b>Bid Total:</b>					<b>\$ _____</b>

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Client Ref. No. - N° de réf. du client  
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Amd. No. - N° de la modif.  
File No. - N° du dossier  
WPG-0-43092

Buyer ID - Id de l'acheteur  
WPG019  
CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME

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## **ANNEX “C”**

### **ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS**

The Bidder accepts any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- VISA Acquisition Card;
- MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- Wire Transfer (International Only)