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AMENDMENT NO. 015

This amendment is raised to revise the solicitation and to answer bidders' questions.

RFP REVISIONS:

Revision No. 23

At Solicitation Amendment 014, Answer 51:

Delete: It is not acceptable to use the Contracting Authority as the client reference for MTC1-A, MTC1-B, and RTC1. The criteria do not specify that the client reference is only to confirm the billable day information. The client reference could be asked to confirm any of the information required to meet the criterion.

Insert: Any authority within the client organization that can confirm all the required information for the reference contract is acceptable.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 59:

Pursuant to Answer 51 in Amendment 14 which states "It is not acceptable to use the Contracting Authority as the client reference for MTC1-A, MTC1-B, and RTC1."

In order to demonstrate the requirements for MTC1-A, MTC1-B and RTC1, we are using large, multiyear contracts that typically support a single client department but often our resources are deployed to various client organizations within the department and/or multiple, different projects. As such, through one contract, our deployed consultants would report to multiple Project and/or Technical Authorities who would only be able to confirm the billable days, and start and end date of the TAs for which they manage. Additionally, a Technical or Project Authority relies on the Contracting Authority to manage the overall contract and to advise them. As such, the Project and/or Technical Authorities would need to confirm with the Contracting Authority the total contract value; overall contract start and end dates; initial contract period; etc. - all requirements of MTC1A, MTC1B and RTC1. In addition to this information, the Contracting Authority would also track the billable days of all TAs called up under the contract.

We therefore submit that a Project and/or Technical Authority may not be the right individual to confirm the information used to support these three requirements, unless it is for a contract that supports a single project. We respectfully request that the Crown please reconsider their response to Answer 51 Amendment 14 and allow a Contract Authority or a Project/Technical Authority to be viable client references, as the type of contract used to support the requirements would determine which Authority is best situated to confirm contract level details as required in the above requirements.

Answer 59: See Revision No. 23 from Solicitation Amendment 015

Question 60:

Regarding Q&A #51 in amendment #14 – Please confirm that if a Contract Authority is able to confirm all information requested in MTC1-A, MTC1-B, and RTC1 then they can be used as the client reference.

Often the Technical/Project Authority has moved to another position or has retired and is no longer available; however, the Contract Authority has not changed and is able to confirm the information required to meet these criterion. As well, for other recent comparable tier 2 RFPs with similar criterion, bidders were permitted to provide the Contract Authority to confirm the requested information

Answer 60: See Revision No. 23 from Solicitation Amendment 015

Question 61:

With regards to RTC-1 (using Stream 2 as an example), please confirm that it is acceptable to use the billable days of two Technology Architects, who worked concurrently on the same contract but under different Task Authorizations performing different roles on the respective contract.

Answer 61: The billable days used to demonstrate the experience of the two Technology Architects who worked in different task authorizations under the same contract must NOT have been provided simultaneously. Please refer to Question and Answer 30(i) from Solicitation Amendment 010.

Question 62:

We acknowledge and thank the extension that has already been provided. If possible, we'd like to request for 2-3 business days more due to the complexity of the requirement.

Answer 62: Solicitation Amendment 014 extended the bid closing date to November 17th. No further extensions are being considered due to operational needs.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME