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Agence du revenu du Canada****Proposal to: Canada Revenue Agency**

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Proposition à : l'Agence du revenu du Canada

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

Bidder's Legal Name and Address (ensure the Bidder's complete legal name is properly set out)
Raison sociale et adresse du Soumissionnaire (s'assurer que le nom légal au complet du soumissionnaire est correctement indiqué)

Bidder MUST identify below the name and title of the individual authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder – Soumissionnaire doit identifier ci-bas le nom et le titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du soumissionnaire

Name /Nom

Title/Titre

Signature

Date (yyyy-mm-dd)/(aaaa-mm-jj)
(____)

Telephone No. – No de téléphone
(____)

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL /
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Title – Sujet CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS	
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Contracting Authority – Autorité contractante Address – Adresse: 250 Albert St Ottawa, ON K1A 0L5 E-mail address – Adresse de courriel : samuel.snow@cra.gc.ca	
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Request for Proposal (RFP)

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A SECURITY REQUIREMENT

Title: CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Part 1 General Information**1.1 Introduction**

The solicitation is divided into seven parts plus appendices and annexes, as follows:

Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;

Part 2 Bidder Instructions: provides the instructions, clauses and conditions applicable to the solicitation;

Part 3 Proposal Preparation Instructions: provides bidders with instructions on how to prepare their bid;

Part 4 Evaluation and Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria that must be addressed in the bid, and the basis of selection;

Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information

Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements: includes specific requirements that must be addressed by bidders; and

Appendices

Appendix 1: Mandatory Criteria

Appendix 2: Point Rated Criteria

Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

Part 7 Model Contract: includes the clauses and conditions and any annexes that will apply to any resulting contract.

Annexes

Annex A: STATEMENT OF WORK

Annex B: BASIS OF PAYMENT

Annex C: SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Annex D: CONFIDENTIALITY CERTIFICATION

Annex E: CANADA'S ONLINE INFORMATION PRODUCTS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.2 Summary

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) requires access, on an as-and-when requested basis, to Canadian, U.S., and international credit report databases in order to extract data from consumer and commercial credit reports.

It is estimated that between 280,000 to 320,000 searches will be conducted per year as follows:

- a) approximately 94.5% of the searches conducted will be for Canadian consumer reports;
- b) approximately 5% of the searches conducted will be for Canadian commercial reports;
- c) approximately 0.25% of the searches conducted will be for U.S. consumer reports;
- d) approximately 0.10% of the searches conducted will be for U.S. commercial reports;
- e) approximately 0.10% of the searches conducted will be for international consumer reports; and
- f) approximately 0.05 % of the searches conducted will be for international commercial reports.

The requirement is divided into six (6) streams as follows:

- 1) STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS
- 2) STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS
- 3) STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS
- 4) STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS
- 5) STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS
- 6) STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders may submit a proposal for one stream or multiple streams. The CRA will evaluate bids for each stream separately.

The Bidder with the highest ranked responsive bid in each stream and meeting all the mandatory requirements will be recommended for award of a contract for the respective stream.

The CRA reserves the right to award one (1) contract for the streams that a Bidder is successful in.

For example, if Bidder 1 submits bids for each of streams 1, 2, and 3, and is the highest ranked responsive bid for all three streams, then the CRA may award one (1) contract to Bidder 1 for streams 1, 2, and 3.

A resulting contract will have:

- a firm two-year period and four (4) one-year option periods;
- the option to add, remove, or modify products from the Contract, if the need arises, due to a shift in legislation, policy, or program requirements; and
- a minimum spend commitment of five (5) % of the maximum contract value of the initial contract period (all applicable taxes included). This minimum spend commitment may be satisfied by CRA over the entire period of the resulting contract, which includes any exercised option periods.

1.3 Glossary of Terms

TERM	DEFINITION
CRA	Canada Revenue Agency
Day/Month/Year	For purposes of technical evaluation, one (1) month shall equal a minimum of 16.67 billable days (a day equals 7.5 hours) and one (1) year equals a minimum of 200 billable days. Any additional billable days within the same year will not increase the experience gained for the purposes of evaluation.
Proposal	A solicited submission by one party to supply certain goods or services. The word “proposal” is used interchangeably with “bid”
Solicitation	An act or instance of requesting proposals/bids on specific products and/or services.

1.4 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within ten (10) business days of receipt of the results of the solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone, or in person.

1.5 Canadian International Trade Tribunal

As a general rule, a complaint regarding this procurement process must be filed with the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (the Tribunal) within 10 working days from the date on which a bidder becomes aware, or reasonably should have become aware, of a ground of complaint. Alternatively, within that time frame, a bidder may first choose to raise its ground of complaint by way of an objection to the CRA; if the CRA denies the relief being sought, a bidder may then file a complaint with the Tribunal within 10 working days of that denial. More information can be obtained on the Tribunal's Web site (www.citt-tcce.gc.ca) or by contacting the Registrar of the Tribunal at 613-993-3595.

Also consult [Recourse Mechanisms](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/for-businesses/selling-to-the-government-of-canada/recourse-mechanisms) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/for-businesses/selling-to-the-government-of-canada/recourse-mechanisms>).

1.6 Historical Data

All data regarding usage by CRA of any of the estimated searches is provided to respondents purely for information purposes, and to assist them in preparing their bids. This represents the best information currently available to CRA; however, CRA does not warrant or represent that this data is complete or free from errors. Additionally, the inclusion of this data in this solicitation does not represent a commitment that CRA's future searches will be consistent with this data. It is provided purely for informational purposes.

Part 2 Bidder Instructions

2.1 Mandatory Requirements

Wherever the words “shall”, “must” and “will” appear in this document or any related document forming a part hereof, the item being described is a mandatory requirement.

Failure to comply or demonstrate compliance with a mandatory requirement will render the bid non-responsive and the bid will receive no further consideration.

2.2 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions A0000T (2012-07-16)

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 issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). The Manual is available on the PWGSC Website:

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>.

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

The standard instructions and conditions 2003 (2019-03-04) are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

The following clauses are incorporated by reference:

SACC Reference	Clause Title	Date
A3015T	Certifications	2014-06-26
C3011T	Exchange Rate Fluctuation	2013-11-06

2.2.1 Revisions to Standard Instructions 2003

Standard Instructions - Goods or Services – Competitive Requirements 2003 (2019-03-04) are revised as follows.

Section 01 titled “Integrity Provisions– Bid”, is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

1. The *Supplier Integrity Directive* (SID) dated May 24, 2016, is incorporated by reference into, and forms a binding part of the bid solicitation. The Bidder must comply with the SID, which can be found on the Canada Revenue Agency’s website at <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/about-canada-revenue-agency-cra/procurement-cra/supplier-integrity-directive.html>
2. Under the SID, charges and convictions of certain offences against a Supplier, its affiliates or first tier subcontractors, and other circumstances, will or may result in a determination by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) that the Supplier is ineligible to enter, or is suspended from entering into a contract with Canada. The list of ineligible and suspended Suppliers is contained in PWGSC’s Integrity Database. The SID describes how enquiries can be made regarding the ineligibility or suspension of Suppliers.
3. In addition to all other information required in the bid solicitation, the Bidder must provide the following:
 - a. by the time stated in the SID, all information required by the SID described under the heading “Mandatory Provision of Information”; and
 - b. with its bid, a complete list of all foreign criminal charges and convictions pertaining to itself, its affiliates and its proposed first tier subcontractors that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, may be similar to one of the listed offences in the SID. The list of foreign criminal charges and convictions must be submitted using an Integrity Declaration Form, which can be found at [Declaration form for procurement](#).

4. Subject to subsection 5, by submitting a bid in response to this bid solicitation, the Bidder certifies that:
- it has read and understands the SID (<https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/about-canada-revenue-agency-cra/procurement-cra/supplier-integrity-directive.html>)
 - it understands that certain domestic and foreign criminal charges and convictions, and other circumstances, as described in the SID, will or may result in a determination of ineligibility or suspension under the SID;
 - it is aware that Canada may request additional information, certifications, and validations from the Bidder or a third party for purposes of making a determination of ineligibility or suspension;
 - it has provided with its bid a complete list of all foreign criminal charges and convictions pertaining to itself, its affiliates and its proposed first tier subcontractors that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, may be similar to one of the listed offences in the SID;
 - none of the domestic criminal offences, and other circumstances, described in the SID that will or may result in a determination of ineligibility or suspension, apply to it, its affiliates and its proposed first tier subcontractors; and
 - it is not aware of a determination of ineligibility or suspension issued by PWGSC that applies to it.
5. Where a Bidder is unable to provide any of the certifications required by subsection 4, it must submit with its bid a completed Integrity Declaration Form, which can be found at [Declaration form for procurement](#).
6. Canada will declare non-responsive any bid in respect of which the information requested is incomplete or inaccurate, or in respect of which the information contained in a certification or declaration is found by Canada to be false or misleading in any respect. If Canada establishes after award of the Contract that the Bidder provided a false or misleading certification or declaration, Canada may terminate the Contract for default. Pursuant to the SID, Canada may also determine the Bidder to be ineligible for award of a contract for providing a false or misleading certification or declaration.

Section 02 titled "Procurement Business Number", is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with:

Suppliers should obtain a Business Number (BN) before contract award. Suppliers may register for a BN online at <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/taxes/business-number.html>.

Section 03 titled "Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions", "Pursuant to the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act (S.C. 1996, c.16)," is hereby deleted.

Section 05 titled "Submission of Bids", paragraph 2 (d) is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

(d) send its bid by fax or using an electronic/online-fax service only to the telephone number specified in the solicitation in Section 2.3.

Section 05 titled "Submission of Bids" paragraph 4, delete sixty (60) days and replace with one-hundred and twenty (120) days.

Section 06, titled "Late Bids", clause 6 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"The CRA will return or delete bids delivered after the stipulated solicitation closing date and time, unless they qualify as a delayed bid as described in section 07.

For late bids submitted either by fax, or by an electronic/online fax service, the physical bid will not be returned. Rather, late bids submitted in this manner will be deleted. Records will be kept documenting the transaction history of all late bids submitted.

Section 07 titled "Delayed Bids", all references to "PWGSC" are hereby deleted and replaced with "CRA". . In addition paragraph 1(b) is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

b. The only piece of evidence relating to a delay in the electronic/online fax service that is acceptable to CRA is the official time stamp of when the file was received by CRA on the electronic/online fax server and that clearly indicates that the bid was received before the solicitation closing date and time.

Section 08 titled Transmission by facsimile or by epost Connect is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 08 titled Transmission by facsimile or using an electronic/online fax service

1. Facsimile

- a. Unless otherwise specified in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by facsimile.
 - i. The only acceptable facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by the CRA is **1-418-556-1811**.
- b. For bids transmitted by facsimile, the CRA will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the faxed bid including, but not limited to, the following:
 - i. receipt of garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
 - ii. availability or condition of the receiving facsimile equipment;
 - iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
 - iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
 - v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
 - vi. illegibility of the bid; or
 - vii. security of bid data.
- c. A bid transmitted by facsimile constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.
- d. The bid solicitation number should be identified in the cover page of all faxed transmissions
- e. Bidders must ensure that they are using the correct facsimile number
- f. Bidders are discouraged from using colours and shades in their bid documents as transmittal process may render the information non readable

2. Electronic/Online Fax Service

- a. Unless otherwise specified in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by using an electronic/online fax service (for example eFax, Metrofax, Myfax, Hellofax, Ring Central Fax etc.),
 - i. The only acceptable facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by the CRA is **1-418-556-1811**.

b. To submit a bid using an electronic/online fax service, the Bidder must send its bid directly only to the specified facsimile number provided using its own software or licensing agreement for electronic/online fax services.

c. The bid solicitation number should be identified in the cover page of all electronic/online fax service transmissions.

d. For bids transmitted by electronic/online fax service, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the bid including, but not limited to, the following:

- i. receipt of a garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
- ii. availability or condition of the electronic/online fax service;
- iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
- iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
- v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
- vi. illegibility of the bid;
- vii. security of bid data; or,
- viii. inability to transmit through the electronic/online fax service.

e. The Bid Receiving Unit for the CRA will send an acknowledgement of the receipt of bid document(s). When the transmission using the electronic/online fax service is complete a time stamp will be applied and the file saved. An acknowledgement of receipt will be provided to the sender.

Note that the acknowledgement sent is time zone specific to the sender's machine, and may not accurately indicate when the bid was received. This acknowledgement of receipt will confirm only the receipt of bid document(s) and will not confirm if the content is readable.

f. Bidders must ensure that they are using the correct facsimile number for the Bid Receiving Unit when submitting bid using an electronic/online fax service

g. A bid transmitted using an electronic/online fax service constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.

Section 12 titled "Rejection of Bid", delete subsections 1(a) and 1(b) in their entirety.

Section 20 titled "Further Information", Paragraph 2 is hereby deleted and replaced with the following: Enquiries concerning receipt of bids may be addressed to the Contracting Authority identified in the bid solicitation.

Section 21 titled "Code of Conduct for Procurement-bid" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

2.3 Submission of Proposals

When responding, the proposal **MUST** be sent by fax or using an electronic/online -fax service to **1-418-556-1811**.

Bidders should keep a copy of their fax transmission report for record keeping purposes.

ONLY ELECTRONIC BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Due to the COVID-19 situation, the delivery of a physical (paper) proposal is not considered to be practical and therefore physical proposals will not be accepted.

Canada reserves the right to request a copy of the bid documentation in native format (e.g. MS Word, MS Excel, Portable Document Format) after bid closing for use in the bid evaluation phase. Bidders may be asked by the Contracting Authority to provide this documentation via email with a specified timeframe.

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the electronic copy submitted in response to the Contracting Authority's request and the original faxed copy submitted by fax or using an electronic/online fax service, the wording of the original faxed copy will have priority over the wording of the electronic copy.

Bid documentation provided by the Bidder in native format must be dated prior to the bid closing date and time.

2.4 Communications - Solicitation Period SACC A0012T (2014-03-01)

All enquiries must be submitted to the Contracting Authority no later than seven (7) 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.

2.5 Applicable Laws SACC A9070T (2014-06-26)

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

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

2.6 Terms and Conditions

By submitting a bid, the Bidder hereby certifies compliance with and acceptance of all of the articles, clauses, terms and conditions contained or referenced in this Request for Proposal (RFP) and Statement of Work (SOW). Any modifications or conditional pricing by the Bidder, including deletions or additions to the articles, clauses, terms and conditions contained or referenced in this RFP, including the SOW, will render the bid non-responsive and the bid will receive no further consideration.

Part 3 Proposal Preparation Instructions

3.1 Bid – Number of Copies CRA MODA0055T (2007-11-30)

Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separate sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they will meet these requirements. Bidders should demonstrate their capability in a thorough, concise and clear manner for carrying out the Work.

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 is not sufficient. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that bidders address and present topics in the order of the evaluation criteria under the same headings. To avoid duplication, bidders may refer to different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.

Section II: Financial

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the format outlined in Appendix 3: Financial Proposal. The total amount of applicable taxes must be shown separately.

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

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications required under Part 5.

3.2 Bid Format and Numbering System

Canada requests that bidders use a numbering system corresponding to that of the bid solicitation.

Part 4 Evaluation and Selection

4.1 General

A committee composed of representatives of CRA will evaluate the proposals on behalf of the Agency. The services of independent consultants may be called upon to assist in the evaluation of, or in the validation of, specific aspects of the solution proposed. CRA reserves the right to engage any independent consultant, or use any Government resources, which it deems necessary to evaluate any proposal.

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria identified in Appendices 1 and 2 and in conjunction with the Statement of Work (SOW). Bidders are encouraged to address these criteria in sufficient depth in their proposals to permit a full evaluation of their proposals. The onus is on the Bidder to demonstrate that it meets the requirements specified in the solicitation.

Bidders are advised that only listing experience without providing any supporting information to describe where and how such experience was obtained will not be considered to be demonstrated for the purpose of the evaluation. The Bidder should not assume that the evaluation team is necessarily cognizant of or knowledgeable about the experience and capabilities of the Bidder or any of the proposed resource(s); as such, any relevant experience must be demonstrated in the Bidders' written proposal.

4.2 Steps in the Evaluation Process

The selection process to determine the successful Bidder will be carried out as follows:

Notwithstanding Steps 1 and 2 below, in order to expedite the evaluation process, CRA reserves the right to conduct Step 3 - Evaluation of Financial Proposals concurrently with Steps 1 and 2. Should CRA elect to conduct Step 3 prior to the completion of Step 2, the information in the Financial Proposal will not be disclosed to the team evaluating the mandatory and rated sections until the completion of Steps 1 and 2. However, if the Contracting Authority is able to ascertain that a proposal is non-responsive by virtue of incomplete information or an error in the financial proposal, the Contracting Authority will advise the team evaluating the mandatory and rated sections that the proposal is not compliant and should no longer be considered. The concurrent evaluation of the financial proposal does not in any way construe compliance in Steps 1 and 2 despite the statement "All bids meeting the minimum thresholds in Step 2 will proceed to Step 3".

Bids will be ranked in accordance with the Selection Methodology.

Step 1 – Evaluation against Mandatory Criteria

For each stream, all bids will be evaluated to determine if the mandatory requirements detailed in Appendix 1 "Mandatory Criteria" have been met. Only those bids meeting ALL mandatory requirements will then be evaluated in accordance with Step 2 below.

Step 2 – Evaluation against Point-Rated Criteria

For each stream, all bids meeting the criteria from Step 1 will be evaluated and scored, in accordance with the point-rated criteria detailed in Appendix 2 "Point-Rated Criteria", to determine the Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score.

All bids meeting the minimum thresholds in Step 2 will proceed to Step 3.

Step 3 – Evaluation of Financial Proposals

Only technically compliant bids meeting all of the requirements detailed in Steps 1 and 2 will be considered at this point.

For each stream prices submitted will be evaluated to determine the bid evaluation price as defined in Appendix 3: "Financial Proposal". Once the bid evaluation prices are determined under Step 3, the proposals will proceed to Step 4.

Bidders must provide a price, percentage, or weight, as applicable, for each item identified in the format specified in Appendix 3: Financial Proposal. Ranges (e.g., \$10-\$13) are not acceptable.

Step 4 – Basis of Selection

Basis of Selection – Highest Combined Rating of Technical Merit and Price

For each of stream 1, stream 3, and stream 5:

1. To be declared responsive, a bid must:
 - a. comply with all the requirements of the bid solicitation; and
 - b. meet all mandatory criteria; and
 - c. obtain the required minimum of 87 points overall for the technical evaluation criteria which are subject to point rating.

The rating is performed on a scale of 135 points.
2. Bids not meeting (a) or (b) or (c) will be declared non-responsive.
3. The bids for each stream will be ranked by CRA based on the highest responsive combined rating of technical merit and price. The ratio will be 60% for the technical merit and 40% for the price.
4. To establish the technical merit score, the overall technical score for each responsive bid will be determined as follows: total number of points obtained / maximum number of points available multiplied by the ratio of 60%.
5. To establish the pricing score, each responsive bid will be prorated against the lowest evaluated price and the ratio of 40%.
6. For each responsive bid, the technical merit score and the pricing score will be added to determine its combined rating.
7. Neither the responsive bid obtaining the highest technical score nor the one with the lowest evaluated price will necessarily be accepted. For each stream, the responsive bid with the highest combined rating of technical merit and price will be considered the highest ranked responsive bid for that stream. The other bids will be ranked accordingly.

The table below illustrates an example where all three bids are responsive for a given stream and the selection of the contractor for that stream is determined by a 60/40 ratio of technical merit and price, respectively. The total available points equals 135 and the lowest evaluated price is \$45,000 (45).

Basis of Selection - Highest Combined Rating Technical Merit (60%) and Price (40%)				
		Bidder 1	Bidder 2	Bidder 3
Overall Technical Score		115/135	89/135	92/135
Bid Evaluated Price		\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00
Calculations	Technical Merit Score	$(115/135) \times 60 = 51.11$	$(89/135) \times 60 = 39.56$	$(92/135) \times 60 = 40.89$
	Pricing Score	$(45/55) \times 40 = 32.73$	$(45/50) \times 40 = 36.00$	$(45/45) \times 40 = 40.00$
Combined Rating		83.84	75.56	80.89
Overall Rating		1st	3rd	2nd

For each of stream 2, stream 4, and stream 6:

1. To be declared responsive, a bid must:
 - a. comply with all the requirements of the bid solicitation; and
 - b. meet all mandatory criteria; and
 - c. obtain the required minimum of 81 points overall for the technical evaluation criteria which are subject to point rating.
The rating is performed on a scale of 125 points.
2. Bids not meeting (a) or (b) or (c) will be declared non-responsive.
3. The bids for each stream will be ranked by CRA based on the highest responsive combined rating of technical merit and price. The ratio will be 60% for the technical merit and 40 % for the price.
4. To establish the technical merit score, the overall technical score for each responsive bid will be determined as follows: total number of points obtained / maximum number of points available multiplied by the ratio of 60 %.
5. To establish the pricing score, each responsive bid will be prorated against the lowest evaluated price and the ratio of 40 %.
6. For each responsive bid, the technical merit score and the pricing score will be added to determine its combined rating.

7. Neither the responsive bid obtaining the highest technical score nor the one with the lowest evaluated price will necessarily be accepted. For each stream, the responsive bid with the highest combined rating of technical merit and price will be considered the highest ranked responsive bid for that stream. The other bids will be ranked accordingly.

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Step 5 – Selection

For each stream, the Bidder with the highest ranked responsive bid and having passed all of the Step 5 requirements as described above will be considered the successful Bidder for the requirement and will be recommended for award of a contract for that stream.

Step 6 – Conditions Precedent to Contract Award

For each stream, the Bidder recommended for award of a Contract must meet the requirements provided in Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information and Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements of this RFP.

Step 7 – Contract Entry

For each stream, the Bidder with the highest ranked responsive bid and meeting all the requirements listed above will be recommended for award of a contract for that stream.

The CRA reserves the right to award one (1) contract for the streams that a Bidder is successful in.

For example, if Bidder 1 submits bids for each of streams 1, 2, and 3, and is the highest ranked responsive bid for all three streams, then the CRA may award one (1) contract to Bidder 1 for streams 1, 2, and 3.

Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information

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

The certifications provided by bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default in carrying out any of its obligations under the Contract, 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 may render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

The Certifications listed at 5.1 must be completed and submitted with the bid. Failure to submit the Certifications listed at 5.1 will render the bid non-responsive and the bid will receive no further consideration.

5.1 Certifications Required To Be Submitted At Time of Bid Closing

5.1.1 Joint Venture Certification

Only complete this certification if a joint venture is being proposed

The Bidder represents and warrants the following:

(a) The bidding entity is a contractual joint venture in accordance with the following definition. A "contractual joint venture" is an association of two or more parties who have entered into a written contract in which they have set out the terms under which they have agreed to combine their money, property, knowledge, skills, time or other resources in a joint business enterprise, sharing the profits and the losses and each having some degree of control over the enterprise.

(b) The name of the joint venture is: _____ (if applicable).

(c) The members of the contractual joint venture are (the Bidder is to add lines to accommodate the names of all members of the joint venture, as necessary):

(d) The Business Numbers (BN) of each member of the contractual joint venture are as follows (the Bidder is to add lines for additional BNs, as necessary):

(e) The effective date of formation of the joint venture is: _____

(f) Each member of the joint venture has appointed and granted full authority to _____ (the "Lead Member") to act on behalf of all members as its representative for the purposes of executing documentation relating to the solicitation and any resulting contract.

(g) The joint venture is in effect as of the date of bid submission.

This Joint Venture Certification must be signed by each member of the joint venture.

The Joint Venture Certification shall be effective throughout the entire period of the Contract, including any exercised option period, if exercised.

The CRA has the right to request documentation from the Bidder evidencing the existence of the contractual joint venture.

Signature of an authorized representative of each member of the joint venture

(the Bidder is to add signatory lines as necessary):

_____ Signature of Duly Authorized Representative	_____ Name of Individual (Please Print)	_____ Legal Name of Business Entity	_____ Date
_____ Signature of Duly Authorized Representative	_____ Name of Individual (Please Print)	_____ Legal Name of Business Entity	_____ Date

5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Associated Information

The certifications listed below should be completed and submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications 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 comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and to provide the certification within the time frame provided will render the bid non responsive and the bid will receive no further consideration.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Associated Information

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder and its Affiliates are in compliance with the provisions as stated in Section 01 Integrity Provisions - Bid of Standard Instructions 2003. The associated information required within the Integrity Provisions will assist Canada in confirming that the certifications are true.

5.2.2 Employment Equity

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](#)" list available from [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\)-Labour's](#) website

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.

5.2.3 Former Public Servant CRA Mod A3025T 2014-06-26

Contracts awarded to former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny, and reflect fairness in the spending of public funds. Bidders must provide the information required below before contract award. If the answer to the questions and, as applicable the information required have not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply with Canada's request and meet the requirement within the prescribed time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

Definitions:

For the purposes of this clause, "former public servant" is any former member of a department as defined in the [Financial Administration Act](#), R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A former public servant may be:

- a. an individual;
- b. an individual who has incorporated;
- c. a partnership made of former public servants; or
- d. a sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of

various programs to reduce the size of the Public Service. The lump sum payment period does not include the period of severance pay, which is measured in a like manner.

"pension" means, a pension or annual allowance paid under the [Public Service Superannuation Act](#) (PSSA), R.S., 1985, c.P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the [Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act](#), R.S., 1985, c.S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the [Canadian Forces Superannuation Act](#), R.S., 1985, c.C-17, the [Defence Services Pension Continuation Act](#), 1970, c.D-3, the [Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act](#), 1970, c.R-10, and the [Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act](#), R.S., 1985, c.R-11, the [Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act](#), R.S., 1985, c.M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the [Canada Pension Plan Act](#), R.S., 1985, c.C-8.

Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension? **Yes () No ()**

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information, for all FPSs in receipt of a pension, as applicable:

- a. name of former public servant;
- b. date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

By providing this information, Bidders agree that the successful Bidder's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports.

Work Force Adjustment Directive

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive?

YES () NO ()

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (a) name of former public servant;
- (b) conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- (c) date of termination of employment;
- (d) amount of lump sum payment;
- (e) rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
- (f) period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
- (g) number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force adjustment program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fees that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including Applicable Taxes.

5.2.4 Vendor Reporting Information

The following information should be provided to enable CRA compliance with paragraph 221(1)(d) of the Income Tax Act, R.S.C. 1985, c.1 (5th Supp.) and report payments made to contractors under applicable services contracts (including contracts involving a mix of goods and services) on a T1204 Government Service Contract Payments slip.

For the purpose of this clause:

“Legal Name” means the name of the company, corporation or other entity constituted as a legal person under which this person exercises its rights and performs its obligations.

“Operating Name” means the name that is legally protected and used in the course of its business by a company, corporation or other entity legally constituted as a legal person, or by the individual.

The Bidder is requested to provide the following:

Legal Name:	_____
Operating Name:	_____
Address:	_____ _____
Payment/T1204 Address (if different)	<input type="checkbox"/> Payment address is same as above _____ _____ _____
City:	_____
Province:	_____
Postal Code:	_____
Telephone:	_____
Fax:	_____

Type of Business (Select only one)

- ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Sole Proprietor ☐ Non-Profit Organization ☐ US or International Co.

All registered companies (excluding Non-Profit organizations and US or International companies) must provide their Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Business Number (BN). Additional details on how to obtain a BN can be found at: <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/bn-ne/menu-eng.html>

If the services will be rendered by an individual, please provide the Social Insurance Number (SIN).

Goods and Services Tax (GST)
Number: _____

Business Number (BN): _____

If a SIN number is being provided, the
information should be placed in a sealed
envelope marked "Protected".

Social Insurance Number (SIN): _____

☐ N/A Reason: _____

Note: If you select "N/A", then you must give a reason.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

(Signature of duly authorized representative of business)

Title: _____

(Title of duly authorized representative of business)

Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements**6.1 Security Requirements**

1. Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:
 - (a) the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 - Model Contract;
 - (b) the Bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must meet the security requirements as indicated in Part 7 - Model Contract;
 - (c) the Bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites;
 - (d) the Bidder's proposed location of work performance and document safeguarding must meet the security requirements as indicated in Part 7 - Model Contract;
 - (e) the Bidder must provide the address(es) of proposed site(s) or premises of work performance and document safeguarding as indicated in Part 7 - Model Contract.
2. 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.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Mandatory Criteria

Evaluation Procedures

Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the process outlined in Part 4 Evaluation and Selection and all the mandatory evaluation criteria detailed below. The Bidder must provide supporting documentation in its proposal as outlined by the CRA, in order to demonstrate that each technical mandatory requirement has been met.

To assist with the evaluation process, it is preferred that the Bidder complete the table(s) included below, to indicate where in its proposal the information can be located.

Bids that fail to meet all mandatory requirements will be declared non-responsive and the bid will receive no further consideration.

Bidders MUST complete Table A-1: Mandatory Criteria for Canadian Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

	Table A-1: Mandatory Criteria for Canadian Consumer Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
A1	<p>The Bidder's Canadian consumer credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) Canadian consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each Canadian consumer report requested by CRA.</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Consumer Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. current full name (first and last names) ii. other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) iii. current phone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file iv. current address and date added to file v. date of birth vi. Social Insurance Number (SIN) vii. date of last activity on file b) Employment Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. name of current employer ii. names of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) c) Member Inquiries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date of inquiry ii. member name 	

	<p>iii. member address or telephone number</p> <p>d) Trade Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. company name ii. company address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number <p>e) Financial Institution Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. financial institution name ii. financial institution address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number <p>f) Public Record Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event 2) trustee name or trustee number 3) date of discharge or other status ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date collection item reported 2) balance outstanding or payment details iii. details of judgments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date judgment filed 2) balance outstanding or financial details iv. details of secured loans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date secured loan filed or reported 2) amount of loan or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with A1, the Bidder MUST provide sample Canadian consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
A2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its Canadian consumer credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate Canadian consumer credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) First Name and Last Name; b) Social Insurance Number (SIN); and c) Address. <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with A2, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements.</p>	

A3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with A3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	
A4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with A4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled "Proposal Preparation Instructions" and in accordance with Appendix 3: "Financial Proposal".</p>	

Bidders MUST complete Table B-1: Mandatory Criteria for Canadian Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

	Table B-1: Mandatory Criteria for Canadian Commercial Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
B1	<p>The Bidder's Canadian commercial credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) Canadian commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each Canadian commercial report requested by CRA.</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Business Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. corporation trade name ii. corporation trade style iii. business address iv. telephone number v. date file was last accessed or updated b) Business Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. full names of officers and owners ii. nature of business c) Member Inquiries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date of inquiry ii. member name iii. member address or telephone number d) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. company name ii. company address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number e) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. financial institution name ii. financial institution address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number f) Public Record Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event 2) trustee name or trustee number 3) date of discharge or other status 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ii. details of third party collection items<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) date collection item reported2) balance outstanding or payment detailsiii. details of legal items<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) date legal item filed2) balance outstanding or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with B1, the Bidder MUST provide sample Canadian commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
B2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its Canadian commercial credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate Canadian commercial credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Legal trade name or operating name;b) Business address, including postal code; andc) Telephone number. <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with B2, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements.</p>	
B3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with B3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	
B4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with B4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled "Proposal Preparation Instructions" and in accordance with Appendix 3: "Financial Proposal".</p>	

Bidders MUST complete Table C-1: Mandatory Criteria for U.S. Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

	Table C-1: Mandatory Criteria for U.S. Consumer Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
C1	<p>The Bidder's U.S. consumer credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) U.S. consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each U.S. consumer report requested by CRA.</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Consumer Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. current full name (first and last names) ii. other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) iii. current phone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file iv. current address and date added to file v. date of birth vi. tax identification number vii. date of last activity on file b) Employment Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. name of current employer ii. names of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) c) Member Inquiries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date of inquiry ii. member name iii. member address or telephone number d) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. company name ii. company address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number e) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. financial institution name ii. financial institution address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number f) Public Record Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event 2) trustee name or trustee number 	

	<p>3) date of discharge or other status</p> <p>ii. details of third party collection items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date collection item reported 2) balance outstanding or payment details <p>iii. details of judgments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date judgment filed 2) balance outstanding or financial details <p>iv. details of secured loans</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date secured loan filed or reported 2) amount of loan or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with C1, the Bidder MUST provide sample U.S. consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
C2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its U.S. consumer credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate U.S. consumer credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) First Name and Last Name; b) Social Insurance Number (SIN); and c) Address. <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with C2, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements.</p>	
C3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with C3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	
C4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with C4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled “Proposal Preparation Instructions” and in accordance with Appendix 3: “Financial Proposal”.</p>	

Bidders MUST complete Table D-1: Mandatory Criteria for U.S. Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

	Table D-1: Mandatory Criteria for U.S. Commercial Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
D1	<p>The Bidder's U.S. commercial credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) U.S. commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each U.S. commercial report requested by CRA.</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Business Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. corporation trade name ii. corporation trade style iii. business address iv. telephone number v. date file was last accessed or updated b) Business Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. full names of officers and owners ii. nature of business c) Member Inquiries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date of inquiry ii. member name iii. member address or telephone number d) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. company name ii. company address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number e) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. financial institution name ii. financial institution address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number f) Public Record Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event 2) trustee name or trustee number 3) date of discharge or other status ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date collection item reported 2) balance outstanding or payment details 	

	<p>iii. details of legal items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date legal item filed 2) balance outstanding or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with D1, the Bidder MUST provide sample U.S. commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
D2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its U.S. commercial credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate U.S. commercial credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access cannot be provided, the Bidder MUST provide offline access (via email) to its U.S. commercial credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be supplied by CRA employees to request searches and receive U.S. commercial credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Legal trade name or operating name; b) Business address, including postal code; and c) Telephone number. <p>Where online access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with D2.</p> <p>Where offline access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide a sample of its search request form displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with D2.</p>	
D3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with D3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	
D4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with D4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled “Proposal Preparation Instructions” and in accordance with Appendix 3: “Financial Proposal”.</p>	

Bidders MUST complete Table E-1: Mandatory Criteria for International Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

	Table E-1: Mandatory Criteria for International Consumer Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
E1	<p>The Bidder's international consumer credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) international consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each international consumer report requested by CRA.</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Consumer Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. current full name (first and last names) ii. other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) iii. current phone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file iv. current address and date added to file v. date of birth vi. tax identification number vii. date of last activity on file b) Employment Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. name of current employer ii. names of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) c) Member Inquiries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date of inquiry ii. member name iii. member address or telephone number d) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. company name ii. company address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number e) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. financial institution name ii. financial institution address or telephone number iii. mortgage lender name iv. mortgage lender address or telephone number 	

	<p>f) Public Record Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event 2) trustee name or trustee number 3) date of discharge or other status ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date collection item reported 2) balance outstanding or payment details iii. details of judgments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date judgment filed 2) balance outstanding or financial details iv. details of secured loans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) date secured loan filed or reported 2) amount of loan or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with E1, the Bidder MUST provide sample international consumer credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
E2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its international consumer credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate international consumer credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access cannot be provided, the Bidder MUST provide offline access (via email) to its international consumer credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be supplied by CRA employees to request searches and receive international consumer credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) First Name and Last Name; and b) Address. <p>Where online access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with E2.</p> <p>Where offline access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide a sample of its search request form displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with E2.</p>	



E3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with E3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	
E4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with E4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled "Proposal Preparation Instructions" and in accordance with Appendix 3: "Financial Proposal".</p>	



Bidders MUST complete Table F-1: Mandatory Criteria for International Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

	Table F-1: Mandatory Criteria for International Commercial Credit Reports	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
F1	<p>The Bidder's international commercial credit report database MUST generate and provide to CRA users (as detailed in Annex A – Statement of Work) international commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the data elements listed below that exist for each international commercial report requested by CRA..</p> <p>Data Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Business Identification<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. corporation trade nameii. corporation trade styleiii. business addressiv. telephone numberv. date file was last accessed or updatedb) Business Details<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. full names of officers and ownersii. nature of businessc) Member Inquiries<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. date of inquiryii. member nameiii. member address or telephone numberd) Trade Information<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. company nameii. company address or telephone numberiii. mortgage lender nameiv. mortgage lender address or telephone numbere) Financial Institution Information<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. financial institution nameii. financial institution address or telephone numberiii. mortgage lender nameiv. mortgage lender address or telephone numberf) Public Record Information<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event2) trustee name or trustee number3) date of discharge or other status	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ii. details of third party collection items<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) date collection item reported2) balance outstanding or payment detailsiii. details of legal items<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) date legal item filed2) balance outstanding or financial details <p>To demonstrate compliance with F1, the Bidder MUST provide sample international commercial credit reports containing <u>all</u> of the above data elements. If the Bidder utilizes a different naming convention for its data elements, the Bidder must clearly identify the different naming convention in its bid.</p>	
F2	<p>The Bidder MUST provide online access (via a web portal) to its international commercial credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be entered by CRA employees to conduct searches and generate international commercial credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access cannot be provided, the Bidder MUST provide offline access (via email) to its international commercial credit report database by permitting the search elements below, at a minimum, to be supplied by CRA employees to request searches and receive international commercial credit reports that contain all of the data elements specified in Annex A – Statement of Work.</p> <p>Search Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Legal trade name or operating name;b) Business address, including postal code; andc) Telephone number. <p>Where online access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide screenshots of its database search screen displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with F2.</p> <p>Where offline access is provided, the Bidder MUST provide a sample of its search request form displaying all of the above search elements in order to demonstrate compliance with F2.</p>	
F3	<p>Certifications</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with F3, the Bidder MUST sign the Joint Venture certification, if applicable, identified in Part 5.1 Certifications Required to Be Submitted at Time of Bid Closing.</p>	



F4	<p>Financial Proposal</p> <p>In order to demonstrate compliance with F4, the Bidder MUST provide a financial proposal in accordance with Part 3, entitled “Proposal Preparation Instructions” and in accordance with Appendix 3: “Financial Proposal”.</p>	
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Appendix 2: Point Rated Criteria

Technical bids will be assessed separately against the evaluation criteria identified below. Point-rated criteria not addressed in the bid will result in a score of zero being assigned against that particular criterion.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table A-2: Point-Rated Criteria for Canadian Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table A-2: Point-Rated Criteria for Canadian Consumer Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
A5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder SHOULD demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its Canadian consumer credit reports:</p> <p>a) Consumer Identification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) ii. previous addresses iii. date file was established <p>b) Trade Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. date account was opened iii. high credit (credit limit) iv. monthly payment v. balance owing as of date reported vi. amount past due as of date reported vii. date of last activity on account viii. credit rating <p>c) Financial Institution Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. type of account iii. date account was opened iv. approximate balance of account <p>d) Public Record Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) total amount of liabilities 3) total amount of assets 	60 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its Canadian consumer credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample Canadian consumer credit report.</p> <p>No identifying consumer information is to be provided.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ii. details of third party collection items<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) file or reference number2) collection agency name3) status of collection itemiii. details of judgments<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) file or reference number2) name of plaintiff3) status of judgementiv. details of secured loans<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) file or reference number2) type of account3) maturity date4) name and address of creditor5) name of reporting government agency6) status of loan			
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A6	<p>To demonstrate the size of its Canadian consumer credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of Canadian consumer credit reports contained in the database.</p>	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 10 million to 15 million Canadian consumer credit reports</p> <p>7 points: greater than 15 million to 20 million Canadian consumer credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 20 million Canadian consumer credit reports</p>	
A7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criterion:</p> <p>a) The client has requested, at a minimum, 150,000 Canadian consumer credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below, and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual</p>			

	<p>scores. All averages will be rounded to the nearest whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average score for Question 1 for this Bidder is 13.33 $((17+9+14) / 3)$, but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
A7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for Canadian consumer credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>If 275,000 reports were requested in 2018 and 310,000 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 292,500 (i.e., $(275,000 + 310,000) / 2$).</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 150,000 to 250,000 requests 10 points: 250,001 to 300,000 requests 15 points: 300,001 to 350,000 requests 20 points: greater than 350,000 requests</p>	

	Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.			
A7.2	<p>Question 2</p> <p>What was the search-to-match ratio* for Canadian consumer credit report requests in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p>	30 points	<p>0 points: less than 70% 10 points: 71% to 80% 20 points: 81% to 90% 30 points: greater than 90%</p>	

	<p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>			
A7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's Canadian consumer credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made.</p>	
A7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the Canadian consumer credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable</p> <p>3 points: sometimes unavailable</p> <p>5 points: always available</p>	

A7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access to the Canadian consumer credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	
	Total Available Points	135 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	87 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items A5, A6, A7.1, A7.2, A7.3, A7.4 and A7.5.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table B-2: Point-Rated Criteria for Canadian Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table B-2: Point-Rated Criteria for Canadian Commercial Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
B5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder SHOULD demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its Canadian commercial credit reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Business Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date file was established b) Business Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date business established or registered ii. incorporation type and date of incorporation iii. number of employees iv. annual sales and net worth v. type and value of inventory and equipment c) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date trade was put on file ii. date account was opened iii. highest credit reported iv. total outstanding on trade line v. payment record per period vi. history of payment trends d) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. type of account iii. date account was opened iv. approximate balance of account 	50 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its Canadian commercial credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample Canadian commercial credit report.</p> <p>No identifying business information is to be provided.</p>	

	<p>e) Public Record Information</p> <p>i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) total amount of liabilities 3) total amount of assets <p>ii. details of third party collection items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) collection agency name 3) status of collection item <p>iii. details of legal items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) name of plaintiff 3) status of legal item 			
B6	<p>To demonstrate the size of its Canadian commercial credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of Canadian commercial credit reports contained in the database.</p>	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 500,000 to 1 million Canadian commercial credit reports</p> <p>7 points: greater than 1 million to 1.5 million Canadian commercial credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 1.5 million Canadian commercial credit reports</p>	

B7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criterion:</p> <p>a) The client has requested, at a minimum, 5,000 Canadian commercial credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual scores. All averages will be rounded to a whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average is 13.33 ((17+9+14) divided by 3), but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
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B7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for Canadian commercial credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>If 12,000 reports were requested in 2018 and 9,500 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 10,750 (i.e., (12,000 + 9,500) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 5,000 to 10,000 requests 10 points: 10,001 to 15,000 requests 15 points: 15,001 to 20,000 requests 20 points: greater than 20,000 requests</p>	
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B7.2	<p>Question 2</p> <p>What was the search-to-match ratio* for Canadian commercial credit report requests in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p> <p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>	30 points	<p>0 points: less than 70% 10 points: 71% to 80% 20 points: 81% to 90% 30 points: more than 90%</p>	
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B7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's Canadian commercial credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made.</p>	
B7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the Canadian commercial credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable</p> <p>3 points: sometimes unavailable</p> <p>5 points: always available</p>	
B7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access to the Canadian commercial credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none.</p> <p>Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	

	Total Available Points	125 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	81 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items B5, B6, B7.1, B7.2, B7.3, B7.4 and B7.5.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table C-2: Point-Rated Criteria for U.S. Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table C-2: Point-Rated Criteria for U.S. Consumer Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
C5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder SHOULD demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its U.S. consumer credit reports:</p> <p>a) Consumer Identification</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) previous addresses date file was established <p>b) Trade Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> date item was reported date account was opened high credit (credit limit) monthly payment balance owing as of date reported amount past due as of date reported date of last activity on account credit rating <p>c) Financial Institution Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> date item was reported type of account date account was opened approximate balance of account <p>d) Public Record Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ol style="list-style-type: none"> file or reference number total amount of liabilities total amount of assets 	60 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its U.S. consumer credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample U.S. consumer credit report.</p> <p>No identifying consumer information is to be provided.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) collection agency name 3) status of collection item iii. details of judgments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) name of plaintiff 3) status of judgement iv. details of secured loans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) type of account 3) maturity date 4) name and address of creditor 5) name of reporting government agency 6) status of loan 			
C6	To demonstrate the size of its U.S. consumer credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of U.S. consumer credit reports contained in the database.	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 10 million to 15 million U.S. consumer credit reports</p> <p>7 points: greater than 15 million to 20 million U.S. consumer credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 20 million U.S. consumer credit reports</p>	

C7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criterion:</p> <p>a) The client has requested at, a minimum, 500 U.S. consumer credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual scores. All averages will be rounded to a whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average is 13.33 ((17+9+14) divided by 3), but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
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C7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for U.S. consumer credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>If 850 reports were requested in 2018 and 1,300 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 1,075 (i.e., (850 + 1,300) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 500 to 1,000 requests 10 points: 1,001 to 1,500 requests 15 points: 1,501 to 2,000 requests 20 points: greater than 2,000 requests</p>	
C7.2	<p>Question 2</p> <p>What was the search-to-match ratio* for U.S. consumer credit report requests in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p>	30 points	<p>0 points: less than 70% 10 points: 71% to 80% 20 points: 81% to 90% 30 points: greater than 90%</p>	

<p>Ratio for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p> <p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>			
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C7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's U.S. consumer credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made.</p>	
C7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the U.S. consumer credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable</p> <p>3 points: sometimes unavailable</p> <p>5 points: always available</p>	

C7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access to the U.S. consumer credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	
	Total Available Points	135 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	87 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items C5, C6, C7.1, C7.2, C7.3, C7.4 and C7.5.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table D-2: Point-Rated for U.S. Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table D-2: Point-Rated Criteria for U.S. Commercial Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
D5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder SHOULD demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its U.S. commercial credit reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Business Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date file was established b) Business Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date business established or registered ii. incorporation type and date of incorporation iii. number of employees iv. annual sales and net worth v. type and value of inventory and equipment c) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date trade was put on file ii. date account was opened iii. highest credit reported iv. total outstanding on trade line v. payment record per period vi. history of payment trends d) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. type of account iii. date account was opened iv. approximate balance of account 	50 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its U.S. commercial credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample U.S. commercial credit report.</p> <p>No identifying business information is to be provided.</p>	

	<p>e) Public Record Information</p> <p>i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) total amount of liabilities 3) total amount of assets <p>ii. details of third party collection items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) collection agency name 3) status of collection item <p>iii. details of legal items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) name of plaintiff 3) status of legal item 			
D6	<p>To demonstrate the size of its U.S. commercial credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of U.S. commercial credit reports contained in the database.</p>	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 500,000 to 1 million U.S. commercial credit reports</p> <p>7 points: greater than 1 million to 1.5 million U.S. commercial credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 1.5 million U.S. commercial credit reports</p>	
D7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criterion:</p> <p>a) The client has requested, at a minimum, 200 U.S. commercial credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p>			

	<p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual scores. All averages will be rounded to a whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average is 13.33 ((17+9+14) divided by 3), but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
D7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for U.S. commercial credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018</p> <p>b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2019:</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 200 to 400 requests</p> <p>10 points: 401 to 600 requests</p> <p>15 points: 601 to 800 requests</p> <p>20 points: greater than 800 requests</p>	

	<input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000 For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years. For example: If 340 reports were requested in 2018 and 520 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 430 (i.e., (340 + 520) divided by 2). Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.			
D7.2	<p>Question 2</p> <p>What was the search-to-match ratio* for U.S. commercial credit report requests in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2018:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90% <p>Ratio for the year 2019:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%	30 points	<p>0 points: less than 70%</p> <p>10 points: 71% to 80%</p> <p>20 points: 81% to 90%</p> <p>30 points: more than 90%</p>	

	<p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p> <p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>			
D7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's U.S. commercial credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made. Or, there was never a need to change the number of users.</p>	

D7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the U.S. commercial credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access was not provided, has offline access (via email) to the U.S. commercial credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable 3 points: sometimes unavailable 5 points: always available</p>	
D7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access (via a web portal or via email) to the U.S. commercial credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	

	Total Available Points	125 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	81 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items D5, D6, D7.1, D7.2, D7.3, D7.4 and D7.5.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table E-2: Point-Rated Criteria for International Consumer Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table E-2: Point-Rated Criteria for International Consumer Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
E5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder should demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its international consumer credit reports:</p> <p>a) Consumer Identification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) ii. previous addresses iii. date file was established <p>b) Trade Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. date account was opened iii. high credit (credit limit) iv. monthly payment v. balance owing as of date reported vi. amount past due as of date reported vii. date of last activity on account viii. credit rating <p>c) Financial Institution Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. type of account iii. date account was opened iv. approximate balance of account <p>d) Public Record Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) total amount of liabilities 3) total amount of assets 	60 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its international consumer credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample international consumer credit report.</p> <p>No identifying consumer information is to be provided.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) collection agency name 3) status of collection item iii. details of judgments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) name of plaintiff 3) status of judgement iv. details of secured loans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) type of account 3) maturity date 4) name and address of creditor 5) name of reporting government agency 6) status of loan 			
E6	<p>To demonstrate the size of its international consumer credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of international consumer credit reports contained in the database.</p>	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 50,000 to 100,000 international consumer credit reports</p> <p>7 points: 100,001 to 150,000 international consumer credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 150,000 international consumer credit reports</p>	

E7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criteria:</p> <p>a) The client has requested, at a minimum, 100 international consumer credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual scores. All averages will be rounded to a whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average is 13.33 ((17+9+14) divided by 3), but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
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E7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for international consumer credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>If 220 reports were requested in 2018 and 160 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 190 (i.e., (220 + 160) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 100 to 150 requests 10 points: 151 to 200 requests 15 points: 201 to 250 requests 20 points: greater than 250 requests</p>	
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E7.2	<p>Question 2</p> <p>What was the search-to-match ratio* for international consumer credit report requests in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2018:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>Ratio for the year 2019:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p> <p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>	30 points	<p>0 points: less than 70% 10 points: 71% to 80% 20 points: 81% to 90% 30 points: greater than 90%</p>	
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E7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's international consumer credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made. Or, there was never a need to change the number of users.</p>	
E7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the international consumer credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access is not available, has offline access (via email) to the international consumer credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable</p> <p>3 points: sometimes unavailable</p> <p>5 points: always available</p>	

E7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access (via a web portal or via email) to the international consumer credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	
	Total Available Points	135 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	87 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items E5, E6, E7.1, E7.2, E7.3, E7.4 and E7.5.

To obtain points, Bidders MUST complete Table F-2: Point-Rated Criteria for International Commercial Credit Reports if submitting a proposal for STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Item	Table F-2: Point-Rated Criteria for International Commercial Credit Reports	Maximum Available Points	Rating Scale	Page reference or location within the Proposal where the information is located
F5	<p>In addition to the data elements identified as mandatory, the Bidder should demonstrate its ability to provide the following data elements in its international commercial credit reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Business Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date file was established b) Business Details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date business established or registered ii. incorporation type and date of incorporation iii. number of employees iv. annual sales and net worth v. type and value of inventory and equipment c) Trade Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date trade was put on file ii. date account was opened iii. highest credit reported iv. total outstanding on trade line v. payment record per period vi. history of payment trends d) Financial Institution Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. date item was reported ii. type of account iii. date account was opened iv. approximate balance of account 	50 points	<p>The Bidder will receive 2 points for each non-mandatory data element it provides in its international commercial credit reports.</p> <p>Demonstration of its capability to produce these data elements will be required in the form of a sample international commercial credit report.</p> <p>No identifying business information is to be provided.</p>	

	<p>e) Public Record Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. details of bankruptcies and insolvency events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) total amount of liabilities 3) total amount of assets ii. details of third party collection items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) collection agency name 3) status of collection item iii. details of legal items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) file or reference number 2) name of plaintiff 3) status of legal item 			
F6	<p>To demonstrate the size of its international commercial credit report database, the Bidder SHOULD state in its proposal the number of international commercial credit reports contained in the database.</p>	10 points	<p>The Bidder's proposal demonstrates its database contains:</p> <p>4 points: 10,000 to 40,000 international commercial credit reports</p> <p>7 points: 40,001 to 80,000 international commercial credit reports</p> <p>10 points: greater than 80,000 international commercial credit reports</p>	
F7	<p>Client Reference Checks</p> <p>The Bidder SHOULD identify three (3) clients that have agreed to be identified and contacted as references for the services provided by the Bidder, and that meet the following criteria:</p>			

	<p>a) The client has requested, at a minimum, 75 international commercial credit report searches per year in the following calendar years: 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>For each client, the Bidder SHOULD provide the following:</p> <p>a) The name of the client organization.</p> <p>b) The names, titles, and telephone numbers of the primary and secondary contacts at the client organization.</p> <p>Each client will be asked, in writing, to respond to questions 1 to 5, which are listed below and each client will be scored individually on their responses, as per the rating scale for each question.</p> <p>A Bidder's score for each question will be the average score of the three (3) clients' individual scores. All averages will be rounded to a whole number.</p> <p>Example: Question 1: client #1 scored 17 points, client #2 scored 9 points, and client #3 scored 14 points.</p> <p>Therefore, the average is 13.33 ((17+9+14) divided by 3), but CRA will round the score to the whole number of 13.</p>			
F7.1	<p>Question 1</p> <p>How many requests for international commercial credit reports did your organization make in each of the following calendar years?</p> <p>a) 2018 b) 2019</p> <p>Quantity for the year 2018:</p>	20 points	<p>7 points: 75 to 100 requests 10 points: 101 to 150 requests 15 points: 151 to 200 requests 20 points: greater than 200 requests</p>	

	<input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000 Quantity for the year 2019: <input type="checkbox"/> 150,000 to 250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 250,001 to 300,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 300,001 to 350,000 <input type="checkbox"/> more than 350,000 For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years. For example: If 122 reports were requested in 2018 and 88 reports were requested in 2019, the average is 105 (i.e., (122 + 88) divided by 2). Therefore, a score of 10 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.			
F7.2	Question 2 What was the search-to-match ratio* for international commercial credit report requests in each of the following calendar years? a) 2018 b) 2019 Ratio for the year 2018: <input type="checkbox"/> less than 70% <input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80% <input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90% <input type="checkbox"/> more than 90% Ratio for the year 2019:	30 points	0 points: less than 70% 10 points: 71% to 80% 20 points: 81% to 90% 30 points: more than 90%	

<p><input type="checkbox"/> less than 70%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 71% to 80%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 81% to 90%</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> more than 90%</p> <p>The search-to-match ratios provided must be for the number of reports and the corresponding calendar years listed in Question 1.</p> <p>For each client, the CRA will assign a score based on the average result of both calendar years.</p> <p>For example: If the search-to-match ratio was 78% in 2018 and 88% in 2019, the average is 83% (i.e., (78% + 88%) divided by 2).</p> <p>Therefore, a score of 20 points will be assigned in accordance with the rating scale.</p> <p>* Search-to-match ratio is defined as the number of searches that return matching results compared to the total number of search requests submitted.</p> <p>The search-to-match ratio is expressed as a percentage.</p>			
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F7.3	<p>Question 3</p> <p>On average, how quickly did the Bidder address your requests to change the number of users with access to the Bidder's international commercial credit report database?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, 24 to 48 hours after the request was made</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, more than 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>3 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, 24 - 48 hours after the request was made.</p> <p>5 points: Requests for change were processed, on average, within 24 hours of the request being made. Or, there was never a need to change the number of users.</p>	
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F7.4	<p>Question 4</p> <p>Has online access (via a web portal) to the international commercial credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If online access was not provided, has offline access (via email) to the international commercial credit report database been reliable and available during your hours of operation or the hours of access you had agreed to in your agreement with the Bidder?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Often unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes unavailable <input type="checkbox"/> Always available</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: often unavailable 3 points: sometimes unavailable 5 points: always available</p>	
F7.5	<p>Question 5</p> <p>If access (via a web portal or via email) to the international commercial credit report database was interrupted, was access quickly restored?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	5 points	<p>0 points: No, access was not always restored quickly and the effect on users was evident.</p> <p>5 points: Yes, access was always restored quickly and the effect on users was minimal to none. Or, never experienced any interruptions.</p>	
	Total Available Points	125 Points		
	Minimum Points Required	81 Points		

Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score:

The Bidder's Total Technical Merit Score will be calculated as the sum of the points achieved by the Bidder for each of items F5, F6, F7.1, F7.2, F7.3, F7.4 and F7.5

Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

Note to Bidders: Estimated volume provided in Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls. for each stream is for evaluation purposes only and does not represent a commitment on behalf of CRA.

STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **firm unit price per Canadian consumer credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **Canadian consumer** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A:Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce a Canadian consumer credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 1- STREAM 1* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 1 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 1- STREAM 1* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **firm unit price per Canadian commercial credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **Canadian commercial** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A:Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce a Canadian commercial credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 2- STREAM2* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 2 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 2- STREAM2* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **firm unit price per U.S. consumer credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **U.S. consumer** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A: Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce a U.S. consumer credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 3- STREAM 3* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 3 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 3- STREAM 3* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **firm unit price per U.S. commercial credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **U.S. commercial** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A: Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce a U.S. commercial credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 4- STREAM 4* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 4 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 4- STREAM 4* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **ceiling unit price per international consumer credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **international consumer** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A: Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce an international consumer credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 5- STREAM 5* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 5 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 5- STREAM 5* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

Bidders must submit a **ceiling unit price per international commercial credit report** in Canadian funds, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, and Applicable Taxes excluded, for each year of the Contract and for each option year of the Contract for the supply and delivery of **international commercial** credit reports in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

The prices specified include all of the requirements defined in Annex A:Statement of Work.

The CRA will pay only for searches which result in a match and produce an international commercial credit report.

Instructions:

Bidders must complete the table entitled *Table 6- STREAM 6* provided electronically as *Appendix 3-1 Financial Proposal Table.xls*

Bid Evaluation Price Calculation:

The Bid Evaluation Price for Stream 6 will be calculated as the sum of all six (6) years in *Table 6- STREAM 6* of *Appendix 3-1: Financial Proposal Table.xls*.

Part 7 Model Contract**THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A SECURITY REQUIREMENT**

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

7.1 Revision of Departmental Name

Reference to the Minister of Public Works and Government Services or to Public Works and Government Services Canada contained in any term, condition or clause of the contract shall be interpreted as a reference to the Commissioner of Revenue or the Canada Revenue Agency, as the case may be, with the exception of the following clauses:

- a) Standard Clauses and Conditions; and
- b) Security Requirements.

7.2 Agency Restructuring

In cases where the Contracting Authority's department or agency is being reconfigured, absorbed by another government department or agency, or disbanded entirely, the Commissioner may, by giving notice to the Contractor, designate another Contracting Authority for all or part of the Contract.

7.3 Requirement

The Contractor must perform the Work in accordance with the Statement of Work (SOW) at Annex A, attached hereto and forming part of the Contract.

7.3.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is two (2) years from contract award date.

7.3.2 Option to Extend the Contract

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to four (4) additional one (1) year periods under the same conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in the Basis of Payment.

The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment. The Contracting Authority may exercise an option at any time before the expiry of the Contract by sending a written notice to the Contractor.

7.3.3 Option to Add/Remove/Modify Products

When the need may arise due to a shift in legislation, policy or program requirements, CRA reserves the right to add or remove products or services from the contract, as well as modify items.

In the event that the CRA requires an additional or modified product or service not included in the present Contract, the Contractor will be asked to provide a price quote for the additional or modified product or service, or the new CRA location, in priority over any other potential vendor.

The option to add, remove or modify products, services may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced through a contract amendment.

The Contracting Authority may exercise this option at any time before the expiry of the Contract by sending a written notice to the Contractor.

7.4 Disclosure of Information

The Contractor agrees to the disclosure of its contract unit prices by CRA to its employees, agents and servants through its internal e-commerce tool, and further agrees that it shall have no right to claim against CRA, the Minister, the Identified User, their employees, agents or servants, or any of them, in relation to such disclosure.

7.5 Standard Clauses and Conditions SACC A0000C (2012-07-16)

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).

The Manual is available on the PWGSC Website: <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>

The following Clauses are incorporated by reference:

SACC Reference	Clause Title	Date
A2000C Or A2001C	Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor) or Foreign Nationals (Foreign Contractor)	2006-06-16 or 2006-06-16
A3015C	Certifications	2014-06-26
A9113C	Handling of Personal Information	2014-11-27
A9117C	T1204 – Direct Request by Customer Department	2007-11-30
C2000C	Taxes-Foreign-based Contractor <i>(to be deleted at contract award if not applicable)</i>	2007-11-30
G1005C	Insurance	2008-05-12
H1001C	Multiple Payments	2008-05-12

7.6 General Conditions

2035 (2016-04-04) General Conditions – Higher Complexity - Services, apply to and form part of the Contract.

Section 01 titled "Interpretation" the definition of "Canada", "Crown", "Her Majesty" or "the Government" is hereby amended to read: "Canada", "Crown", "Her Majesty" or "the Government" means Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).

Section 02 titled "Standard Clauses and Conditions" is hereby amended to delete the phrase "Pursuant to the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act, S.C. 1996, c. 16," The remainder of Section 02 remains unchanged.

Section 16 titled "Payment Period" will not apply to payment made by credit cards.

Section 17 titled "Interest on Overdue Accounts" will not apply to payment made by credit cards.

Section 19 titled "Ownership" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Section 22 titled "Confidentiality",

Subsection 5 is hereby amended to delete Public Works and Government Services (PWGSC) and insert Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).

Subsection 6 is hereby amended to delete "PWGSC Industrial Security Manual and its supplements", and insert "Security Requirements for the Protection of Sensitive Information" issued by the CRA, Security and Internal Affairs Directorate (SIAD). The remainder of Section 22 remains unchanged.

Section 24 titled "Liability" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Section 30 titled "Termination for convenience" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Section 41 titled "Integrity Provisions- Contract" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with:

The Supplier Integrity Directive (SID) incorporated by reference into the bid solicitation is incorporated into, and forms a binding part of the Contract. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the SID, which can be found on the Canada Revenue Agency's website at <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/about-canada-revenue-agency-cra/procurement-cra/supplier-integrity-directive.html>

Section 45 titled "Code of Conduct for Procurement—Contract" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

7.7 Security Requirements

The following security requirement (SRCL and related clauses) applies and forms part of the Contract.

- A. Security Requirements – Canadian Contractors - Document Safeguarding and/or Production Capabilities – with Computer Systems
1. The Contractor personnel requiring access to Protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must each hold a valid Reliability screening, granted by the Security and Internal Affairs Directorate (SIAD) of the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) or the Canadian and International Industrial Security Directorate (CIISD) of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
 2. The Contractor must not remove any Protected information or assets from the identified and approved work site(s), and the Contractor must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.
 3. Processing of material only at the Protected B level is permitted under the Contract. The work must be done either on a separate stand-alone computer system at the Contractor's site or on a restricted directory that is only accessible to Contractor personnel who have the need-to-know for the performance of the Contract.
 4. Subcontracts which contain security requirements are not to be awarded without the prior written permission of CRA.
 5. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the:
 - a) Security Requirement Check List (SRCL), attached as Annex C of the contract; and
 - b) Security Requirements for Protection of Sensitive Information issued by CRA, Security and Internal Affairs Directorate.

These may be viewed at: [Security Requirements](#)

B. Security Requirements – non-Canadian Contractors - Document Safeguarding and / or Production Capabilities – with Computer Systems

1. The Contractor personnel requiring access to Protected information, assets or sensitive work site (s) must each hold a valid Reliability screening, granted by the Security and Internal Affairs Directorate of the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) or granted/approved by the Canadian and International Industrial Security Directorate (CIISD) of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
2. The Contractor shall, at all times during the performance of the Contract, hold an approved facility clearance for Document Safeguarding at the Protected B level issued or granted by CIISD or a letter issued by the SIAD confirming that the facility is approved and meets the CRA security requirements.
3. Subcontracts during the performance of the Contract shall include the security requirements for an approved Document Safeguarding at the level of Protected B as issued or granted by CIISD or be a facility approved by the SIAD of the CRA. Before performing any work, the Contractor shall ensure that the sub-contractor holds an approved Facility for Document Safeguarding at the Protected B level issued or granted by the CIISD or a letter issued by the SIAD confirming that the facility is approved and meets the CRA security requirements.
4. The Contractor must not remove any protected information or assets from the identified and approved work site(s), and the Contractor must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.
5. Processing of material only at the Protected B level is permitted under the Contract. The work must be done either on a separate stand-alone computer system at the Contractor's site or on a restricted directory that is only accessible to Contractor personnel who have the need-to-know for the performance of the Contract.
6. Subcontracts which contain security requirements are not to be awarded without the prior written permission of CRA.
7. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the:
 - a) Security Requirement Check List (SRCL), attached as Annex C of the contract; and
 - b) Security Requirements for Protection of Sensitive Information issued by CRA, Security and Internal Affairs Directorate.

These may be viewed at: [Security Requirements](#)

7.7.1 Information Security Requirements

The Contractor must abide by the following Information Security Requirements:

- a) access to CRA Protected information and systems containing CRA Protected information is provided to cleared personnel and only on a need-to-know basis only;
- b) computer systems have up-to-date anti-virus, anti-malware, anti-spyware, and security safeguards;
- c) computer systems storing CRA Protected information must be set with access control (as a minimum User Identification and password are to be used);
- d) screen savers pop-up after 15 minutes of session inactivity and require passwords to continue the session;
- e) all CRA Protected information is to be deleted or destroyed at the end of the Contract. Hard drives must be wiped, Portable Data Storage Devices (PDSD) such as USB/CD, must be sent back to CRA, and paper documents are to be shredded using a Cross cut shredder (2mm x 15mm)

7.7.1.1 Information Security Requirements for Standalone workstation

Standalone dedicated equipment (such as laptop) can be used to store and perform work on CRA Protected information

The Contractor must ensure that:

- a) equipment storing CRA Protected information is fully encrypted to CRA standards (MS BitLocker is the CRA standard to fully encrypt hard drive of the standalone equipment);
- b) CRA Protected information must be stored on encrypted PDSD (Portable Data Storage Device):
 - i. USB devices must use
 - 1) MS BitLockerToGo (BTG) is the CRA standard to encrypt USB devices;
 - ii. CD devices must use
 - 1) McAfee File and Removable Media Protection is one of the CRA standard to encrypt CD devices or;
 - 2) WinZip is the other CRA standard to encrypt CD devices;
- c) PDSDs may not contain a mix of CRA and non-CRA data;
- d) Protected information sent via email is contained in encrypted attachments (WinZip is one of CRA standard to encrypt attachments (using the CRA standard) – see below for additional security rules for using WinZip).

7.7.1.2 Information Security Requirements for Network server

Use of a network server can be used to store and perform work on CRA Protected information;

The Contractor must ensure that:

- a) computer systems storing CRA Protected information is fully encrypted to CRA standards;
- b) network folder structure is created , permissions established, and access is restricted to only employees that has a need-to-know.
- c) network folder structure does not contain a mix of CRA and non-CRA data

7.7.2 Additional security rules for sending zipped (WinZip) files via email

The Contractor must ensure that:

- a) email subject lines do not contain any Protected information;
- b) protected data is not in the body text (description) of the email but within attached Zipped and Encrypted documents (in MS Word, Excel, or PowerPoint);
- c) the name of the Zipped file does not contain any Protected information;
- d) the encryption method is set to 256-bit AES;
- e) the password is not a word of the dictionary or a name;
- f) the password length is a minimum of 8 characters long;
- g) the password contains:
 - i. at least one lower case character (a-z),
 - ii. at least one upper character (A-Z),
 - iii. at least one numeric character (0-9), and
 - iv. at least one symbol character (!, @, #, \$, %, ^, &, ...).
- h) the one time password is provided either via the telephone or within a second email message but only sent after receiving confirmation of reception of the message containing the Zipped/Encrypted file;
- i) the email is sent to one destination only (one email address).

7.7.3 Additional security rules for McAfee File and Removable Media Protection

The Contractor must follow the following process to decrypt a CD/DVD:

- a) insert the encrypted CD/DVD into the optical drive. McAfee File and Removable Media Protection – Removable Media window will come up. If it does not automatically come up, navigate to the CD drive and run **MfeEERM.exe**.

7.7.4 Physical Security Requirements

The Contractor must:

- a) store CRA protected information in a locked container located in a locked room when not in use;
- b) store CRA protected waste in a locked container until it is returned to CRA to be destroyed;
- c) immediately report any actual or suspected loss, or unauthorized disclosure of information to CRA security official;
- d) immediately report any theft of CRA asset (laptop) to the Agency Operations Centre (AOC) of the Security and Internal Affairs Directorate at 1-866-362-0192 and to the functional authority for the contract.

7.7.5 In Transit

The Contractor must:

- a) exercise good judgment and ensure that every reasonable effort has been made to minimize the risk to CRA protected information or asset (laptop) at all times;
- b) secure CRA protected information and asset (laptop) in a locked briefcase when transporting the information. The briefcase must be tagged with a forwarding or return address and/or phone number of the contractors' office. While travelling by vehicle, the briefcase must be placed in a locked trunk, or out of sight in a locked vehicle;
- c) maintain control of the briefcase containing CRA protected information and are not to expose the material to others, while on public transit systems.

7.8 Authorities

7.8.1 Contracting Authority A1024C (2007-05-25)

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name: Samuel Snow

Telephone Number: 613-946-7968

Fax Number: 613-957-6655

E-mail address: Samuel.snow@cra-arc.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.

7.8.2 Project Authority A1022C (2007-05-25)

To be completed at the time of Contract award.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

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.

7.8.3 Contractor's Representative

To be completed at the time of Contract award.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

7.9 Travel and Living Expenses

The CRA will not cover any travel and living expenses.

7.10 Work Location

The work location will be at the Contractor's premises.

7.10.1 Task Authorization Process

The Contractor shall not commence any Work described in the Contract until the Contractor receives authorization from the CRA to proceed with the Work.

The CRA will authorize the Work with the Contractor, at the CRA's discretion, by submitting Task Authorizations in the form of either of the following, at CRA's sole discretion:

- For online access: CRA-approved users will log into the Contractor's web portal and submit search requests in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.
- For offline access: CRA-approved users will submit search request forms by e-mail in accordance with Annex A: Statement of Work.

7.10.2 Minimum Work Guarantee – All the Work – Task Authorizations

1. In this clause,

"Maximum Contract Value" means the amount specified in the "Limitation of Expenditure – Cumulative Total of All Task Authorizations" clause set out in the Contract; and

"Minimum Contract Value" means five (5) % of the Maximum Contract Value of the initial contract value set out in the contract.

2. Canada's obligation under the Contract is to request Work in the amount of the Minimum Contract Value or, at Canada's option, to pay the Contractor at the end of the Contract in accordance with paragraph 3. In consideration of such obligation, the Contractor agrees to stand in readiness throughout the Contract period to perform the Work described in the Contract. Canada's maximum liability for work performed under the Contract must not exceed the Maximum Contract Value, unless an increase is authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority.

3. In the event that Canada does not request work in the amount of the Minimum Contract Value during the period of the Contract, Canada must pay the Contractor the difference between the Minimum Contract Value and the total cost of the Work requested.

4. Canada will have no obligation to the Contractor under this clause if Canada terminates the Contract in whole or in part for default.

7.10.3 Limitation of Expenditure - Cumulative Total of all Task Authorizations

Canada's total liability to the Contractor under the Contract for all authorized Task Authorizations (TAs), inclusive of any revisions, must not exceed the sum of \$ _____ (to be inserted at Contract Award). Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra. No increase in the total liability of Canada will be authorized or paid to the Contractor unless an increase has been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority in writing as to the adequacy of this sum:

- a. when it is 75 percent committed, or
- b. four (4) months before the contract expiry date, or
- c. as soon as the Contractor considers that the sum is inadequate for the completion of the Work required in all authorized TAs, inclusive of any revisions, whichever comes first.

If the notification is for inadequate contract funds, the Contractor must provide to the Contracting Authority, a written estimate for the additional funds required. Provision of such information by the Contractor does not increase Canada's liability.

7.11 Inspection and Acceptance

All deliverables under the Contract shall be subject to inspection and acceptance by the end user at destination.

7.12 Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the General Conditions. Claims cannot be submitted until all work identified in the claim is completed. Each claim must be supported by a copy of the release document and any other documents as specified in the Contract;
2. Claims must be distributed as follows: The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the Project Authority for certification and payment.

7.13 Basis of Payment

The Basis of Payment will be reflected in the final award document in Annex B.

7.14 Payment Process

At Canada's discretion the Contractor will be paid using direct deposit, credit card or cheque. All communications regarding the specific method of payment, including changes thereto, will be in writing via email as it's not Canada's desire to formally amend the Contract if the payment method is changed.

At its sole discretion Canada may change the method of payment at any time during the period of the Contract, including any extension thereto, to one of the other two payment methods stated above.

It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that their organization is entitled to receive payment from the Government of Canada.

7.14.1 Payment by Direct Deposit

The Contractor shall accept Direct Deposit for payment of the goods and/or services described herein. Payments by direct deposit will be subject to Article 16 – Payment Period and Article 17 - Interest on Overdue Accounts, set out in 2035 General Conditions (2016-04-04) forming part of the Contract.

To complete or amend a direct deposit registration, the Contractor must complete the Vendor Electronic Payment Registration form accessible at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/forms-publications/forms/rc231.html>

It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that the information and account number submitted to Canada via their Vendor Electronic Payment Registration form is up to date. Should the Contractor's

information within the Vendor Electronic Payment Registration form not be accurate or up to date, the provisions identified herein under Article 16 – Payment Period and Article 17 - Interest on Overdue Accounts, set out in 2035 General Conditions (2016-04-04) forming part of the Contract will not apply, until the Contractor corrects the matter.

7.14.2 Payment by Credit Card

The Contractor shall accept Government of Canada Acquisition Cards (credit cards) for payment of the goods and/or services described herein. Payments by credit card will not be subject to Article 16 – Payment Period and Article 17 - Interest on Overdue Accounts, set out in 2035 General Conditions (2016-04-04) forming part of the Contract.

The CRA Acquisition Card is currently a MasterCard provided by Bank of Montreal. At any time during the period of the Contract, including any exercised option period(s), the CRA reserves the right to change its acquisition card type or provider.

7.14.3 Payment by Cheque

The Contractor shall accept Government of Canada cheques for the payment of goods and/or services described herein.

7.15 Certifications

The continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid and the ongoing cooperation in providing associated information are conditions of the Contract. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification, fails to provide the associated information, or it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

7.15.1 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Default by the Contractor

The Contractor understands and agrees that, when an Agreement to Implement Employment Equity (AIEE) exists between the Contractor and Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour, the AIEE must remain valid during the entire period of the Contract. If the AIEE becomes invalid, the name of the Contractor will be added to the "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](#)" list. The imposition of such a sanction by ESDC will constitute the Contractor in default as per the terms of the Contract.

7.16 Confidentiality Document

The Contractor, as a person engaged by or on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada must sign the certification appearing in Annex **D** stating that the Contractor has read Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act and understands that the Contractor is subject to and agrees to comply with those provisions. The above referenced Sections of the Acts are available (<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/l-3.3/> and <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/e-15/>).

The Contractor will use the services of any persons it requires in order to carry out its responsibilities under the Contract. If the Contractor employs such persons or contracts for their services, the Contractor will also pay their remuneration and all related expenses. The Contractor will also engage such persons whose services are to be utilized, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, for the purposes of Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act. Each

person so engaged will be required by the Contractor, as a pre-condition to assisting the Contractor in carrying out its responsibilities under the Contract, to sign the certification appearing in Annex D attached hereto, stating that they have read the provisions of Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act and understands that they are subject to such provisions.

The Contractor must provide copies of all executed acknowledgement documents to the Contracting Authority designated herein prior to any work commencing under the Contract.

7.17 Joint Venture (NOTE to bidders: to be deleted at contract award if not applicable)

If the Contract is awarded to a joint venture, all members of the joint venture will be jointly and severally or solidarily liable for the performance of the Contract.

In the case of a contractual joint venture, no dispute, claim or action for damages, whether based in contract, or in tort, or any other theory of law, howsoever arising from the Request for Proposal, Contract, or any other related or subsequently issued documents including without limitation Task Authorizations, Contract Amendments, may be commenced, or brought against the CRA, including without limitation any of its officers, employees or agents unless each member of the joint venture is a party to such dispute, claim, or action (as the case may be).

The Contractor shall obtain the prior written approval of the Contracting Authority to any change in the membership of a contractual joint venture after Contract Award. Any change in the membership of a contractual joint venture after Contract Award without the prior written approval of the Contracting Authority shall be deemed to be default under the Contract.

The joint venture represents and warrants that it has appointed and granted full authority to **(name to be inserted at Contract Award)**, the "Lead Member", to act on behalf of all members as its representative for the purposes of executing documentation relating to the Contract, including but not limited to Contract Amendments and Task Authorizations.

In the event of a contractual joint venture, all payments due and owing to the joint venture shall be made by the Canada Revenue Agency to the Lead Member of the joint venture. Any such payment to the Lead Member of the joint venture shall be deemed to be payment to the joint venture and shall act as a release from all the members of the joint venture.

By giving notice to the Lead Member the Canada Revenue Agency will be deemed to have given notice to all the members of the joint venture.

7.18 Proactive Disclosure of Contracts with Former Public Servants CRA Mod A3025C 2013-03-21

By providing information on its status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a [Public Service Superannuation Act](#) (PSSA) pension, the Contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports.

7.19 Applicable Laws SACC A9070C (2014-06-26)

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

7.20 Priority of Documents SACC A9140C (2007-05-25)

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.

1. the Articles of Agreement;
2. the general conditions 2035 (2016-04-04) General Conditions – Higher Complexity - Services;
3. Annex A: Statement of Work;
4. Annex B: Basis of Payment;
5. Annex C: Security Requirements Check List;
6. Annex D: Confidentiality Certification;
7. Annex E: Canada's Online Information Products Terms and Conditions;
8. The Contractor's proposal dated *(to be inserted at contract award)* as amended on *(to be inserted at contract award)* of amendment(s), if applicable);
9. The Task Authorizations (including all annexes, if any) (if applicable).

7.21 Training and Familiarization of Contractor Personnel

7.21.1 Training of Contractor Personnel

Any training required by a new or replacement resource will be the responsibility of the Contractor, including training the resource for newly implemented software. The Contractor will assume all associated costs, including training pertaining to familiarization during the start-up of the Contract and Contract period for staff replacements. Training of the resource during the start-up period must take place without a reduction in service level. Time spent on such training will not be billed to, nor paid by, CRA.

7.21.2 Familiarization Period

Prior to the completion of the Contract, it may be necessary for another resource to undertake a period of familiarization and training before the completion date. The Contractor will be required to familiarize the incoming resource according to the process described above or through the use of another approach negotiated with and acceptable to CRA.

7.22 Alternative Dispute Resolution

NEGOTIATION FOLLOWED BY MANDATORY MEDIATION, THEN, IF NECESSARY BY ARBITRATION OR LITIGATION

The parties agree to meet, negotiate in good faith, and attempt to resolve, amicably, any dispute arising out of or related to the contract or any breach thereof.

If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute through negotiations within 10 working days, the parties agree to attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation by submitting the dispute to a sole mediator selected jointly by the parties. All costs shall be shared equally between the disputing parties.

If a dispute cannot be settled with a 15 calendar day period after the mediator has been appointed, or if the parties are unable to select a mediator within 15 calendar days of the date of provision of notice by one party to the other of the intention to proceed to mediation, or such longer period as agreed to by the

parties, the parties shall have the right to resort to any remedies permitted by law, including but not limited to arbitration or litigation.

All defences based on the passage of time shall be tolled pending the termination of the mediation.

7.22.1 Contract Administration

The parties understand that the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1 (l) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act will review a complaint filed by [the supplier or the contractor or the name the entity awarded the contract] respecting administration of the contract if the requirements of Subsection 22.2(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act and Sections 15 and 16 of the Procurement Ombudsman Regulations have been met, and the interpretation and application of the terms and conditions and the scope of the work of the contract are not in dispute. The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca.

Annexes

The following Annexes apply to and form part of the Contract:

ANNEX A: STATEMENT OF WORK

ANNEX B: BASIS OF PAYMENT

ANNEX C: SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST (SRCL)

ANNEX D: CONFIDENTIALITY CERTIFICATION

ANNEX E: CANADA'S ONLINE INFORMATION PRODUCTS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Annex A - Statement of Work

1.0 TITLE

CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

2.0 OBJECTIVE

To obtain access to Canadian, U.S., and international consumer and commercial (corporations, registered businesses) credit reports through one (1) credit-reporting service provider or multiple credit-reporting service providers on an as-and-when requested basis.

3.0 GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN THE SOW

- a) **Online access** is defined as electronic access to a website through an internet connection.
- b) **Offline access** is defined as access to data, such as data found in a database, without using a website. Offline access is conducted through the use of email.
- c) **U.S.** is defined as the United States.
- d) **International** is defined as any country and territory outside of Canada and the U.S.
- e) A **successful search** is defined as a search that produces a credit report where the report's identifying information (consumer identification or business identification) matches the search information (query data) inputted by the user. In other words, the input produces a correct credit report that contains information for all the data fields (where they exist) specified in Annex A Statement of Work.

4.0 REQUIREMENT

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) requires access to Canadian, U.S., and international credit report databases in order to extract data from consumer and commercial credit reports on an as-and-when requested basis. Access to the credit reports is separated into streams as follows:

STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal), on an "as and when requested" basis, to a Canadian consumer credit report database that must contain at least ten (10) million Canadian consumer files.

STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal) on, an "as and when requested" basis, to a Canadian commercial credit report database that must contain at least five hundred thousand (500,000) Canadian commercial files.

STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal), on an "as and when requested" basis, to a U.S. consumer credit report database that must contain at least ten (10) million U.S. consumer files.

STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide access, on an "as and when requested" basis, to a U.S. commercial credit report database that must contain at least five hundred thousand (500,000) U.S. commercial files.

Online access (via a web portal) should be provided. If online access is not available, offline access (via email) must be provided.

STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide access, on an “as and when requested” basis, to an international consumer credit report database that must contain at least fifty thousand (50,000) international consumer files.

Online access (via a web portal) should be provided. If online access is not available, offline access (via email) must be provided.

STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide access, on an “as and when requested” basis, to an international commercial credit report database that must contain at least ten thousand (10,000) international commercial files.

Online access (via a web portal) should be provided. If online access is not available, offline access (via email) must be provided.

This service supports the CRA’s research processes that are used to protect Canada’s revenue base. It is estimated that between 280,000 to 320,000 searches will be conducted per year as follows:

- a) approximately 94.5% of the searches conducted will be for Canadian consumer reports;
- b) approximately 5% of the searches conducted will be for Canadian commercial reports;
- c) approximately 0.25% of the searches conducted will be for U.S. consumer reports;
- d) approximately 0.10% of the searches conducted will be for U.S. commercial reports;
- e) approximately 0.10% of the searches conducted will be for international consumer reports; and
- f) approximately 0.05 % of the searches conducted will be for international commercial reports.

For each stream, if an online, internet-based system (hereinafter referred to as “online system”) needs to be built or modified to fit the needs of this requirement, the Contractor must do so at its own expense.

For each stream, the Contractor must notify the Project Authority and the Contracting Authority, in writing, of any changes to the appearance or functionality of the online systems at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the changes taking effect.

For each stream, the Contractor must notify the Project Authority, in writing, of any planned and unplanned system outages. For planned system outages, the notification must be received at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the outage and for unplanned system outages, the notification must be received no later than four (4) hours after the outage occurs.

4.1. ACCESS TO CREDIT REPORT DATABASE(S)

4.1.1. REQUIREMENTS FOR ONLINE ACCESS (VIA A WEB PORTAL)

For each stream that has online access, the Contractor must:

- a) Provide access to a credit report database through an online system using, at a minimum, Internet Explorer 11 version.

- b) Provide the uniform resource locator (URL) (website's address) that will be utilized by CRA users to conduct searches, retrieve information, and print credit reports for successful searches.
- c) Provide access to the credit report databases between the hours of 07:00 and 23:00 Eastern Time, at a minimum, Monday to Friday (except federal statutory holidays).
- d) Assign a masked member code to the CRA that will prevent the Contractor's other clients or members from knowing that the CRA has accessed a credit file.
- e) Provide customer service, Information Technology (IT) services, credits reports, usage reports, and training material in both English and French.

4.1.2. REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFLINE ACCESS (VIA EMAIL)

For each stream where offline access is provided, the Contractor must:

- a) Provide an email address that will be utilized by select CRA users to submit search requests.
- b) Provide offline access to the credit report database between the hours of 08:00 and 18:00 Eastern Time, at a minimum, Monday to Friday (except federal statutory holidays).
- c) Provide the names (first name and last name) of up to three (3) designated customer service representatives who will be responsible for processing requests submitted by select CRA users. Each designated customer service representative must have a valid security clearance at a reliability status level, as a minimum, ten (10) business days after contract award.
- d) Provide a fillable form (in PDF, Microsoft Excel, or electronic format) that will be utilized for submitting search requests. The form must be approved by the Project Authority before its first use.
- e) Assign a masked member code to the CRA that will prevent the Contractor's other clients or members from knowing that the CRA has accessed a credit file.
- f) Provide customer service, Information Technology (IT) services, credits reports, usage reports, and training material in both English and French.

4.2. USER ACCOUNTS

For each stream, the Contractor's credit report database will be used by select CRA employees and access will be required for at least seven hundred (700) CRA users.

The CRA reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of user accounts required.

The CRA will assign an Officer of Primary Interest (OPI) to each office utilizing this service. If there is more than one group of users in an office, there could be more than one OPI in an office; each group could have its own OPI and account. Each OPI will be responsible for managing all aspects of user accounts for their office or group of users.

The Contractor must not grant access to new or additional OPIs without approval of the Project Authority. Approval will be provided via email.

Where the need may arise, the Contracting Authority will also have authority to manage user accounts.

4.3. CREDIT REPORTS

4.3.1. STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal) to a Canadian consumer credit report database.

The Contractor's Canadian consumer credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) First name and last name
- b) Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- c) Address

The Contractor's credit report database must generate Canadian consumer credit reports containing all of the mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested consumers.

The Canadian consumer credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested consumers.

CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Consumer Identification

- a) current full name (first and last names) *
- b) other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) *
- c) current telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file *
- d) current address and date added to file *
- e) date of birth *
- f) Social Insurance Number (SIN) *
- g) date of last activity on file *
- h) previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular)
- i) previous addresses
- j) date file was established

ii) Employment Details

- a) name of current employer *
- b) name of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) *

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *
- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) date account was opened
- g) high credit (credit limit)
- h) monthly payment
- i) balance owing as of date reported
- j) amount past due as of date reported
- k) date of last activity on account
- l) credit rating

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record Information

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *
 - 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
 - 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of judgments *
 - 1) date judgment filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of judgement
- d) details of secured loans *
 - 1) date secured loan filed or reported *
 - 2) amount of loan or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) type of account
 - 5) maturity date
 - 6) name and address of creditor
 - 7) name of reporting government agency
 - 8) status of loan

4.3.2. STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal) to a Canadian commercial credit report database. The Contractor's Canadian commercial credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) Legal trade name or operating name
- b) Business address, including postal code
- c) Telephone number

The Contractor's credit report database must generate Canadian commercial credit reports containing all the mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested corporations and businesses.

The Canadian commercial credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested corporations and businesses.

CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Business Identification

- a) corporation trade name *
- b) corporation trade style *
- c) business address *
- d) telephone number *
- e) date file was last accessed or updated *
- f) date file was established

ii) Business Details

- a) full names officers and owners *
- b) nature of business *
- c) date business established or registered
- d) incorporation type and date of incorporation
- e) number of employees
- f) annual sales and net worth
- g) type and value of inventory and equipment

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *
- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date trade was put on file
- f) date account was opened
- g) highest credit reported
- h) total outstanding on trade line
- i) payment record per period
- j) history of payment trends

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number*
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *

- 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
- 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of legal items *
- 1) date legal item filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of legal item

4.3.3. STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online access (via a web portal) to a U.S. consumer credit report database.

The Contractor's U.S. consumer credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) First name and last name
- b) Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- c) Address

The Contractor's credit report database must generate U.S. consumer credit reports containing all the mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested consumers.

The U.S. consumer credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested consumers.

U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Consumer Identification

- a) current full name (first and last names) *
- b) other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) *
- c) current telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file *
- d) current address and date added to file *
- e) date of birth *
- f) tax identification number *
- g) date of last activity on file *
- h) previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular)
- i) previous addresses
- j) date file was established

ii) Employment Details

- a) name of current employer *
- b) name of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) *

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *
- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) date account was opened
- g) high credit (credit limit)
- h) monthly payment
- i) balance owing as of date reported
- j) amount past due as of date reported
- k) date of last activity on account
- l) credit rating

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record Information

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *
 - 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
 - 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of judgments *
 - 1) date judgment filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of judgement
- d) details of secured loans *
 - 1) date secured loan filed or reported *
 - 2) amount of loan or financial details *

- 3) file or reference number
- 4) type of account
- 5) maturity date
- 6) name and address of creditor
- 7) name of reporting government agency
- 8) status of loan

4.3.4. STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online (via a web portal) or offline (via e-mail) access to a U.S. commercial credit report database.

Regardless of how the search request is submitted by the CRA, the Contractor's U.S. commercial credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) Legal trade name or operating name
- b) Business address, including postal code
- c) Telephone number

Where offline access is provided, any of the Contractor's designated customer service representatives will be required to process each search request as follows:

- 1) Provide an acknowledgement, via email, to the user within two (2) business days of request submission.
- 2) Process the search request and respond, via email, to the user within five (5) business days of the acknowledgment.

The Contractor's credit report database must generate U.S. commercial credit reports containing all the mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested corporations or businesses.

The U.S. commercial credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested corporations or businesses.

U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Business Identification

- a) corporation trade name *
- b) corporation trade style *
- c) business address *
- d) telephone number *
- e) date file was last accessed or updated *
- f) date file was established

ii) Business Details

- a) full names of officers and owners *
- b) nature of business *
- c) date business established or registered
- d) incorporation type and date of incorporation
- e) number of employees
- f) annual sales and net worth
- g) type and value of inventory and equipment

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *

- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date trade was put on file
- f) date account was opened
- g) highest credit reported
- h) total outstanding on trade line
- i) payment record per period
- j) history of payment trends

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *
 - 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
 - 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of legal items *
 - 1) date legal item filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of legal item

4.3.5. STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online (via a web portal) or offline (via email) access to an international consumer credit report database.

Regardless of how the search request is submitted by the CRA, the Contractor's international consumer credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) First name and last name
- b) Address

Where online access is provided, the Contractor's web portal must display the estimated cost of the international consumer credit report and prompt the CRA user to accept the cost before permitting the user to submit the search request. The estimated cost of the consumer credit report must not exceed the ceiling rate outlined in Annex B.

Where offline access is provided, any of the Contractor's designated customer service representatives will be required to process each search request as follows:

- 1) Provide an acknowledgement, via email, to the user within two (2) business days of request submission.
- 2) Provide the estimated cost of the search, via email, to the user for approval to proceed with the search.
- 3) If approved by the user, process the search request, and respond, via email, to the user within five (5) business days of the approval.
- 4) If not approved, cancel the search request and provide a confirmation, via email, to the user advising that search request has been cancelled.

The Contractor's credit report database must generate international consumer credit reports containing all the mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested consumers.

The international consumer credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested consumers.

INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Consumer Identification

- a) current full name (first and last names) *
- b) other name(s) or alias that the consumer is also known as (AKA) *
- c) current telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular) and dates added to file *
- d) current address and date added to file *
- e) date of birth *
- f) tax identification number *
- g) date of last activity on file *
- h) previous telephone numbers (residential, employment, cellular)
- i) previous addresses
- j) date file was established

ii) Employment Details

- a) name of current employer *
- b) name of previous employers (if less than two (2) years at current employment) *

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *
- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) date account was opened
- g) high credit (credit limit)
- h) monthly payment

- i) balance owing as of date reported
- j) amount past due as of date reported
- k) date of last activity on account
- l) credit rating

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name*
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number*
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record Information

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *
 - 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
 - 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of judgments *
 - 1) date judgment filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of judgement
- d) details of secured loans *
 - 1) date secured loan filed or reported *
 - 2) amount of loan or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) type of account
 - 5) maturity date
 - 6) name and address of creditor
 - 7) name of reporting government agency
 - 8) status of loan

4.3.6. STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor must provide online (via a web portal) or offline (via email) access to an international commercial credit report database. Where online access is not available, the Contractor must provide offline access (via email).

Regardless of how the search request is submitted, the Contractor's international commercial credit report database search function must accept all of the following search data elements, at a minimum, to allow CRA employees to conduct searches:

- a) Legal trade name or operating name
- b) Business address, including postal code
- c) Telephone number

Where online access is provided, the Contractor's web portal must display the estimated cost of the international commercial credit report and prompt the CRA user to accept the cost before permitting the user to submit a search request. The estimated cost of the consumer credit report must not exceed the ceiling rate outlined in Annex B.

Where offline access is provided, any of the Contractor's designated customer service representatives will be required to process each search request as follows:

- 1) Provide an acknowledgement, via email, to the user within two (2) business days of request submission.
- 2) Provide the estimated cost of the search, via email, to the user for approval to proceed with the search.
- 3) If approved by the user, process the search request, and respond, via email, to the user within five (5) business days of the approval.
- 4) If not approved, cancel the search request and provide a confirmation, via email, to the user advising that search request has been cancelled.

The Contractor's credit report database must generate international commercial credit reports containing all mandatory data elements, listed herein with an asterisk (*), that exist for the requested corporations or businesses.

The international commercial credit reports should also contain data elements without an asterisk (*) if those elements exist for the requested corporations or businesses.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORT DATA ELEMENTS

i) Business Identification

- a) corporation trade name *
- b) corporation trade style *
- c) business address *
- d) telephone number *
- e) date file was last accessed or updated *
- f) date file was established

ii) Business Details

- a) full names of officers and owners *
- b) nature of business *
- c) date business established or registered
- d) incorporation type and date of incorporation
- e) number of employees
- f) annual sales and net worth
- g) type and value of inventory and equipment

iii) Member Inquiries

- a) date of inquiry *
- b) member name *
- c) member address or telephone number *

iv) Trade Information

- a) company name *
- b) company address or telephone number *

- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date trade was put on file
- f) date account was opened
- g) highest credit reported
- h) total outstanding on trade line
- i) payment record per period
- j) history of payment trends

v) Financial Institution Information

- a) financial institution name *
- b) financial institution address or telephone number *
- c) mortgage lender name *
- d) mortgage lender address or telephone number *
- e) date item was reported
- f) type of account
- g) date account was opened
- h) approximate balance of account

vi) Public Record

- a) details of bankruptcies and insolvency events *
 - 1) date of bankruptcy or insolvency event *
 - 2) trustee name or trustee number *
 - 3) date of discharge or other status *
 - 4) file or reference number
 - 5) total amount of liabilities
 - 6) total amount of assets
- b) details of third party collection items *
 - 1) date collection item reported *
 - 2) balance outstanding or payment details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) collection agency name
 - 5) status of collection item
- c) details of legal items *
 - 1) date legal item filed *
 - 2) balance outstanding or financial details *
 - 3) file or reference number
 - 4) name of plaintiff
 - 5) status of legal item

For each stream, the CRA will only pay for successful searches that produce credit reports.

Should other data elements not listed herein be available, the Contractor can provide them in the credit reports as well, and at no additional cost.

If the Contractor's naming convention for some or all of the data elements listed herein is different from the naming convention used in this Statement of Work, the Contractor must provide a glossary identifying the differences.

4.4. USAGE REPORTS

Usage reports are reports that summarize the CRA's requests in terms of volume and value.

4.4.1. MASTER NATIONAL USAGE REPORT

For each stream, the Contractor must provide master national usage reports:

- a) at no additional cost to the CRA; and
- b) in Microsoft (MS) Excel format.

The monthly master national usage report must:

- a) be provided in English;
- b) be provided on a monthly basis, via email, to the CRA Project Authority and the Contracting Authority;
- c) be based on usage during the calendar month (first of the month to end of the month);
- d) include the total volume of reports obtained by each office or account and the corresponding amount billed; and
- e) be delivered on the first working Monday of each month.

The annual master national usage reports must:

- a) be provided in English;
- b) be provided once a year, via email, to the CRA Project Authority and the Contracting Authority;
- c) be based on usage during the calendar year (January 01 to December 31);
- d) display the monthly usage for the calendar year; and
- e) be delivered on the last working day of January following the calendar year-end.

Volumes and amounts billed will be based on frequency of report: either monthly or annual. If it's an annual report, it will display the total volume and cost for the year. If it's a monthly report, it will display the total volume and cost for the month for which the report was created.

The total volume of credit reports must be based on the total number of searches conducted: both unsuccessful searches and successful searches. The usage report must identify and list separate figures for successful searches and unsuccessful searches, with the successful searches having a corresponding cost. The total amount billed is the total cost for successful searches and must be presented as follows:

- a) Subtotal (pre-tax cost)
- b) Taxes
- c) Total (taxes included)

Each master national usage report must be presented as follows:

- a) Customer Identification (ID) number (referred to as an account)
- b) Department, Office name, or name of OPI
- c) Address
- d) City
- e) Search or report type
- f) Unsuccessful searches
- g) Successful searches
- h) Cost of successful searches (as detailed above)

4.4.2. INDIVIDUAL OFFICE USAGE REPORT

For each stream, the Contractor must provide monthly individual office usage reports:

- a) at no additional cost to the CRA; and
- b) in Microsoft (MS) Excel format.

The monthly individual office usage reports must:

- a) be provided in both English and French to CRA offices in the Quebec region;
- b) be provided in English to CRA offices in all other regions;
- c) be provided on a monthly basis, via email, to each OPI;
- d) be based on usage during the calendar month (first of the month to end of the month); and
- e) be delivered on the first working Monday of each month.

The monthly individual office usage report will list all the credit reports obtained. The report must specify all of the following details for each credit report obtained:

- a) the date the credit report was obtained
- b) the identification (ID) , which refers to either a unique log-in user ID or a valid CRA email address, used to obtain the credit report
- c) the name of the consumer or corporation or business for which the credit report was obtained
- d) the cost of the credit report

The total volume of credit reports must be based on the total number of searches conducted for the month: both unsuccessful searches and successful searches. The monthly usage report must identify and list separate figures for successful searches and unsuccessful searches, with the successful searches having a corresponding cost. The total amount billed for the month is the total cost for successful searches and must be presented as follows:

- a) Subtotal (pre-tax cost)
- b) Taxes
- c) Total (taxes included)

4.5. TRAINING

For each stream, the Contractor must provide, on an “as and when requested” basis and where applicable, the CRA with training material for the use of the credit report database and the online system.

The training material must be provided in soft copy via email and at no additional cost to the CRA.

The training material will target specific areas, including, but not limited to:

- a) accessing and utilizing the credit report database and the online system (if applicable);
- b) interpreting and understanding the information provided in credit reports; and
- c) any additional information that could provide benefits from using credit reports.

4.6. CUSTOMER SUPPORT LINE

For each stream the Contractor must have a toll-free telephone number, direct-dial customer support line, in place with fully trained customer support representatives available between the hours of 08:00 and 20:00 Eastern Time, at a minimum, Monday to Friday (except statutory holidays). Representatives are expected to answer general questions and provide technical assistance.

4.7. USER ACCESS

4.7.1. ONLINE USER ACCESS

For each stream where online access (via web portal) is provided, the Contractor must provide each select CRA user with a unique log-in user identification (ID) and a temporary password to access the Contractor's online system. Access will permit each select CRA user to conduct searches and obtain credit reports.

It will be the responsibility of each OPI to contact the Contractor to request the required log-in user IDs and corresponding temporary passwords for users, and to request changes to existing log-in user IDs and passwords. The log-in user IDs and temporary passwords must be provided to the OPI and (or) users within forty-eight (48) business hours of request.

Alternatively, if the Contractor's online system allows for it, each OPI will have the profile to manage users by adding users, deleting users, modifying user profiles, or resetting passwords.

At first access with a temporary password, the online system must prompt the user to change the password to one of their choosing.

The initial log-in screen must give a user the option to select the preferred language (English or French). Once the language is selected, all information during the log-in session must be presented in the selected language.

The log-in user IDs and passwords provided to the CRA must only be available to the CRA and must not be disseminated to other individuals or parties. Log-in information (user IDs and passwords) and search elements (consumer and business names, social insurance numbers, and addresses) must be protected by a Secure Socket Layer (SSL).

4.7.2 OFFLINE USER ACCESS

For each stream where offline access (via email) is provided, the Contractor must provide access to the database to each select CRA user with a valid CRA email address. The domain of a valid CRA email address is as follows: @cra-arc.gc.ca. Access will permit each select CRA user to request searches and obtain credit reports.

The Contractor must communicate in the user's preferred language (English or French), as identified with each request and all communication between the Contractor and CRA users must be via email. Communication will include items such as, but not limited to, acknowledging the request, providing the cost of the search, and approving the search request.

The Contractor must not disseminate the CRA email addresses to other individuals or parties, and search elements (consumer and business names, social insurance numbers, and addresses) must be protected.

4.8. AVAILABILITY OF THE CREDIT REPORT DATABASE

4.8.1. AVAILABILITY OF THE CREDIT REPORT DATABASE VIA ONLINE ACCESS

For each stream where online access (via web portal) is provided, the Contractor's credit report database must be available to access by CRA users between the hours of 07:00 and 23:00 Eastern Time, at a minimum, Monday to Friday (except federal statutory holidays).

The Contractor must monitor the availability of the database and submit written quarterly reports, via email, regarding the availability level during each calendar month covered in the quarterly report.

The report must be submitted to the Project Authority within thirty (30) calendar days of the end of the quarter covered by the report.

If the Contractor does not meet the minimum availability level in any given month, the Contractor must submit a plan of action, subject to approval by the Project Authority, with completion dates to restore availability to the minimum level.

The Contractor acknowledges that Canada may monitor the minimum availability level at any time during the contract period.

4.8.2. AVAILABILITY OF THE CREDIT REPORT DATABASE VIA OFFLINE ACCESS

For each stream where offline access is provided (via email), the Contractor must:

- a) be available to receive the CRA's search requests between the hours of 08:00 and 18:00 Eastern Time, at a minimum, Monday to Friday (except federal statutory holidays).

If the Contractor does not meet the minimum availability level in any given month, the Contractor must submit a plan of action, subject to approval by the Project Authority, with completion dates to restore availability to the minimum level.

The Contractor acknowledges that Canada may monitor the minimum availability level at any time during the contract period.

Annex B - Basis of Payment

Note to Bidders: Basis of Payment of the contract to be modified accordingly to the applicable stream.

STREAM 1: CANADIAN CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid a firm unit price for each Canadian consumer credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. 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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Firm Unit Price Per Canadian Consumer Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

All payments are subject to Government Audit.

STREAM 2: CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid a firm unit price for each Canadian commercial credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. 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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Firm Unit Price Per Canadian Commercial Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

All payments are subject to Government Audit.

STREAM 3: U.S. CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid a firm unit price for each U.S. consumer credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. 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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Firm Unit Price Per U.S. Consumer Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

All payments are subject to Government Audit.

STREAM 4: U.S. COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid a firm unit price for each U.S. Commercial credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. 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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Firm Unit Price Per U.S. Commercial Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

All payments are subject to Government Audit.

STREAM 5: INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid up to the ceiling unit price for each international consumer credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

The ceiling unit price for international consumer credit reports is subject to downward adjustment only, in accordance with the Contractor’s proposed price in response to each submitted request for a search, and agreed to by the CRA.

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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Ceiling Unit Price Per International Consumer Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

All payments are subject to Government Audit.

STREAM 6: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CREDIT REPORTS

The Contractor shall be paid up to the ceiling unit price for each international commercial credit report provided to the CRA on an “as and when requested” basis, in accordance with Annex A Statement of Work. Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

The ceiling unit price for international commercial credit reports is subject to downward adjustment only, in accordance with the Contractor’s proposed price in response to each submitted request for a search, and agreed to by the CRA.

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.

Note to Bidders: Pricing will be populated at contract award based on the prices bid by the Contractor at Appendix 3: Financial Proposal

	Ceiling Unit Price Per International Commercial Credit Report
Firm Requirement: Initial Two (2) year Contract Period	\$ _____
First (1st) Option Year	\$ _____
Second (2nd) Option Year	\$ _____
Third (3rd) Option Year	\$ _____
Fourth (4th) Option Year	\$ _____

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Annex C - Security Requirements Check List (SRCL)



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**SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST (SRCL)
LISTE DE VÉRIFICATION DES EXIGENCES RELATIVES À LA SÉCURITÉ (LVERS)**

PART A - CONTRACT INFORMATION / PARTIE A - INFORMATION CONTRACTUELLE	
1. Originating Government Department or Organization / Ministère ou organisme gouvernemental d'origine CANADA REVENUE AGENCY	2. Branch or Directorate / Direction générale ou Direction Collections and Verification Branch (CVB)
3. a) Subcontract Number / Numéro du contrat de sous-traitance N/A	3. b) Name and Address of Subcontractor / Nom et adresse du sous-traitant N/A
4. Brief Description of Work / Brève description du travail The supplier will allow CRA online access to a credit report database through a website. Where necessary, the supplier will allow CRA access to a credit report database via fax and/or email. NOTE: there may be multiple suppliers and databases.	
5. a) Will the supplier require access to Controlled Goods? Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des marchandises contrôlées? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Non Oui	
5. b) Will the supplier require access to unclassified military technical data subject to the provisions of the Technical Data Control Regulations? Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des données techniques militaires non classifiées qui sont assujetties aux dispositions du Règlement sur le contrôle des données techniques? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Non Oui	
6. Indicate the type of access required / Indiquer le type d'accès requis	
6. a) Will the supplier and its employees require access to PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED information or assets? Le fournisseur ainsi que les employés auront-ils accès à des renseignements ou à des biens PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes (Specify the level of access using the chart in Question 7. c.) (Préciser le niveau d'accès en utilisant le tableau qui se trouve à la question 7. c.) Non Oui	
6. b) Will the supplier and its employees (e.g. cleaners, maintenance personnel) require access to restricted access areas? No access to PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED information or assets is permitted. Le fournisseur et ses employés (p. ex. nettoyeurs, personnel d'entretien) auront-ils accès à des zones d'accès restreintes? L'accès à des renseignements ou à des biens PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS n'est pas autorisé. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Non Oui	
6. c) Is this a commercial courier or delivery requirement with no overnight storage? S'agit-il d'un contrat de messagerie ou de livraison commerciale sans entreposage de nuit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Non Oui	
7. a) Indicate the type of information that the supplier will be required to access / Indiquer le type d'information auquel le fournisseur devra avoir accès	
Canada <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NATO / OTAN <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign / Étranger <input type="checkbox"/>
7. b) Release restrictions / Restrictions relatives à la diffusion	
No release restrictions Aucune restriction relative à la diffusion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All NATO countries Tous les pays de l'OTAN <input type="checkbox"/>
Not releasable À ne pas diffuser <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted to: / Limité à: <input type="checkbox"/>
Restricted to: / Limité à: <input type="checkbox"/>	Specify country(ies): / Préciser le(s) pays: <input type="checkbox"/>
7. c) Level of information / Niveau d'information	
PROTECTED A PROTÉGÉ A <input type="checkbox"/>	NATO UNCLASSIFIED NATO NON CLASSIFIÉ <input type="checkbox"/>
PROTECTED B PROTÉGÉ B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NATO RESTRICTED NATO DIFFUSION RESTREINTE <input type="checkbox"/>
PROTECTED C PROTÉGÉ C <input type="checkbox"/>	NATO CONFIDENTIAL NATO CONFIDENTIEL <input type="checkbox"/>
CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIEL <input type="checkbox"/>	NATO SECRET NATO SECRET <input type="checkbox"/>
SECRET SECRET <input type="checkbox"/>	COSMIC TOP SECRET COSMIC TRÈS SECRET <input type="checkbox"/>
TOP SECRET TRÈS SECRET <input type="checkbox"/>	
TOP SECRET (SIGINT) TRÈS SECRET (SIGINT) <input type="checkbox"/>	

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PART A (continued) / PARTIE A (suite)

8. Will the supplier require access to PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED COMSEC information or assets?

Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des renseignements ou à des biens COMSEC désignés PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui

If Yes, indicate the level of sensitivity:

Dans l'affirmative, indiquer le niveau de sensibilité :

9. Will the supplier require access to extremely sensitive INFOSEC information or assets?

Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des renseignements ou à des biens INFOSEC de nature extrêmement délicate?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui

Short Title(s) of material / Titre(s) abrégé(s) du matériel :

Document Number / Numéro du document :

PART B - PERSONNEL (SUPPLIER) / PARTIE B - PERSONNEL (FOURNISSEUR)

10. a) Personnel security screening level required / Niveau de contrôle de la sécurité du personnel requis

- | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIABILITY STATUS
COTE DE FIABILITÉ | <input type="checkbox"/> CONFIDENTIAL
CONFIDENTIEL | <input type="checkbox"/> SECRET
SECRET | <input type="checkbox"/> TOP SECRET
TRÈS SECRET |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TOP SECRET- SIGINT
TRÈS SECRET - SIGINT | <input type="checkbox"/> NATO CONFIDENTIAL
NATO CONFIDENTIEL | <input type="checkbox"/> NATO SECRET
NATO SECRET | <input type="checkbox"/> COSMIC TOP SECRET
COSMIC TRÈS SECRET |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SITE ACCESS
ACCÈS AUX EMPLACEMENTS | | | |

Special comments:

Commentaires spéciaux :

NOTE: If multiple levels of screening are identified, a Security Classification Guide must be provided.

REMARQUE : Si plusieurs niveaux de contrôle de sécurité sont requis, un guide de classification de la sécurité doit être fourni.

10. b) May unscreened personnel be used for portions of the work?

Du personnel sans autorisation sécuritaire peut-il se voir confier des parties du travail?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui

If Yes, will unscreened personnel be escorted?

Dans l'affirmative, le personnel en question sera-t-il escorté?

☐ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui**PART C - SAFEGUARDS (SUPPLIER) / PARTIE C - MESURES DE PROTECTION (FOURNISSEUR)****INFORMATION / ASSETS / RENSEIGNEMENTS / BIENS**

11. a) Will the supplier be required to receive and store PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED information or assets on its site or premises?

Le fournisseur sera-t-il tenu de recevoir et d'entreposer sur place des renseignements ou des biens PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS?

☐ No ☒ Yes
Non Oui

11. b) Will the supplier be required to safeguard COMSEC information or assets?

Le fournisseur sera-t-il tenu de protéger des renseignements ou des biens COMSEC?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui**PRODUCTION**

11. c) Will the production (manufacture, and/or repair and/or modification) of PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED material or equipment occur at the supplier's site or premises?

Les installations du fournisseur serviront-elles à la production (fabrication et/ou réparation et/ou modification) de matériel PROTÉGÉ et/ou CLASSIFIÉ?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) MEDIA / SUPPORT RELATIF À LA TECHNOLOGIE DE L'INFORMATION (TI)**

11. d) Will the supplier be required to use its IT systems to electronically process, produce or store PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED information or data?

Le fournisseur sera-t-il tenu d'utiliser ses propres systèmes informatiques pour traiter, produire ou stocker électroniquement des renseignements ou des données PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS?

☐ No ☒ Yes
Non Oui

11. e) Will there be an electronic link between the supplier's IT systems and the government department or agency?

Disposera-t-on d'un lien électronique entre le système informatique du fournisseur et celui du ministère ou de l'agence gouvernementale?

☒ No ☐ Yes
Non Oui

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PART C - (continued) / PARTIE C - (suite)

For users completing the form **manually** use the summary chart below to indicate the category(ies) and level(s) of safeguarding required at the supplier's site(s) or premises.

Les utilisateurs qui remplissent le formulaire **manuellement** doivent utiliser le tableau récapitulatif ci-dessous pour indiquer, pour chaque catégorie, les niveaux de sauvegarde requis aux installations du fournisseur.

For users completing the form **online** (via the Internet), the summary chart is automatically populated by your responses to previous questions.

Dans le cas des utilisateurs qui remplissent le formulaire **en ligne** (par Internet), les réponses aux questions précédentes sont automatiquement saisies dans le tableau récapitulatif.

SUMMARY CHART / TABLEAU RÉCAPITULATIF

Category Catégorie	PROTECTED PROTÉGÉ			CLASSIFIED CLASSIFIÉ			NATO				COMSEC					
	A	B	C	CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIEL	SECRET	TOP SECRET TRÈS SECRET	NATO RESTRICTED NATO DIFFUSION RESTREINTE	NATO CONFIDENTIAL NATO CONFIDENTIEL	NATO SECRET	COSMIC TOP SECRET COSMIC TRÈS SECRET	PROTECTED PROTÉGÉ			CONFIDENTIAL	SECRET	TOP SECRET TRÈS SECRET
											A	B	C			
Information / Assets Renseignements / Biens Production	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IT Media / Support TI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IT Link / Lien électronique	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. a) Is the description of the work contained within this SRCL PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED?
La description du travail visé par la présente LVERS est-elle de nature PROTÉGÉE et/ou CLASSIFIÉE?

☒ No
Non

☐ Yes
Oui

If Yes, classify this form by annotating the top and bottom in the area entitled "Security Classification".
Dans l'affirmative, classifiez le présent formulaire en indiquant le niveau de sécurité dans la case intitulée
« Classification de sécurité » au haut et au bas du formulaire.

12. b) Will the documentation attached to this SRCL be PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED?
La documentation associée à la présente LVERS sera-t-elle PROTÉGÉE et/ou CLASSIFIÉE?

☒ No
Non

☐ Yes
Oui

If Yes, classify this form by annotating the top and bottom in the area entitled "Security Classification" and indicate with attachments (e.g. SECRET with Attachments).
Dans l'affirmative, classifiez le présent formulaire en indiquant le niveau de sécurité dans la case intitulée
« Classification de sécurité » au haut et au bas du formulaire et indiquer qu'il y a des pièces jointes (p. ex. SECRET avec des pièces jointes).

Annex D – Confidentiality Certification

Confidentiality: Canada Revenue Agency Acts

PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO READ SECTIONS 239 AND 241 OF THE INCOME TAX ACT <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/I-3.3/> , AND SECTIONS 295 AND 328 OF THE EXCISE TAX ACT <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/e-15/>

I _____, the Contractor, as a person engaged by or on behalf of Her Majesty in right of Canada, certify that I have read Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act, and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act and that I understand that I am subject to and promise to comply with those provisions.

I will use the services of any person(s) I require in order to carry out my responsibilities under the Contract. If I employ such person(s) or contract for their services, I will also pay their remuneration and all related expenses. I will also engage all such persons whose services are to be utilized, on behalf of Her Majesty in right of Canada, for the purposes of Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act, and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act. I will require each person so engaged, as a pre-condition to assisting me in carrying out my responsibilities under the Contract, to sign a document (see page two (2) of this Annex) stating that he or she has read the provisions of Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act, and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act and understands that he or she must comply with such provisions.

I will provide copies of all executed acknowledgement documents to the representative of the Commissioner of Revenue.

CONTRACTOR

Name (please type)

Authorized representative's name (please type)

Title (please type)

Signature

Date

Confidentiality: Canada Revenue Agency Acts

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Between the Commissioner of Revenue and _____, the Contractor and _____ the employee (or consultant or subcontractor, etc.).

I, _____, acknowledge that I am employed by the Contractor, and will assist the Contractor in carrying out the Contractor's duties under the Contract.

I acknowledge that I am engaged by the Contractor on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada for the purposes of Section 241 of the Income Tax Act, and Section 295 of the Excise Tax Act and therefore, for the purpose of the Contract, am an "official" as that term is defined in the named provisions of the named Statutes.

I hereby acknowledge that I am legally obliged to abide by and have read the provisions in Sections 239 and 241 of the Income Tax Act, and Sections 295 and 328 of the Excise Tax Act, that I understand them, and promise to comply with them.

I agree to use the knowledge and information obtained by me during the time that I was assisting and for the purpose of assisting the Contractor, or any knowledge or information prepared from such knowledge or information, solely to assist the Contractor in carrying out the Contractor's duties under the Contract and I acknowledge and certify that I will not use such knowledge and information for any other purpose whatsoever. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, I agree that I will not use any research or intellectual property obtained while assisting the Contractor in carrying out the Contractor's duties under the contract, in the course of my own research, in the course of my work as a consultant, or in any scientific or technological endeavour whatsoever.

I hereby agree to take all the security precautions needed to ensure that the research, intellectual property and trade secrets obtained by me during the performance of the Contract are secure at all times from use not permitted by the subcontract, by any other person whatsoever, including unauthorized use by the Contractor's employees and the sub-contractors engaged by the Contractor.

CONTRACTOR

Contractor name (*please type*) Date

**EMPLOYEE /
CONSULTANT/
SUBCONTRACTOR**

Employee/Consultant/Subcontractor name (*please type*) Date

Signature

Annex E - Canada's Online Information Products Terms and Conditions

1. DEFINITIONS

Authorized User(s): are employees of the CRA (whether on a permanent, temporary or contract basis) who are permitted to access the Secure Network from within the CRA's premises or from such other places where Authorized Users undertake their work for the CRA (including but not limited to Authorized Users' offices and homes) and who have been issued a password or other authentication by the CRA.

Commercial Use: use for the purposes of monetary reward (whether by or for the CRA or an Authorized User) by means of sale, resale, loan, transfer, hire or other form of exploitation of the Licensed Materials. For the avoidance of doubt, use by the Licensee or by an Authorized User of the Licensed Materials in the course of research, product development and related activity in the normal course of business does not constitute Commercial Use.

Online Information Product(s) otherwise referred to as Licensed Material(s): for purposes of these licensing terms and conditions, Online Information Product(s) refers to the licensed material(s) which are electronic versions of the content published by the Contractor.

Secure Network: a network (whether a standalone network or a virtual network within the Internet), which is only accessible to Authorized Users.

Server: the Server, either the Contractor's server or a third party server designated by the Contractor, on which the Licensed Materials are posted and may be accessed.

Subscription Fee: the licence fee for each year of the period of contract.

2. LICENCE

- a. The CRA acknowledges and accepts that the licence to use the Online Information Product(s) being procured through this Contract are non-exclusive and non-transferrable, throughout the world, and Authorized Users obtain access to the Online Information Product(s) via a Secure Network.
- b. This licence shall commence at the beginning of the Period of the Contract, for each of the Online Information Products as set out in the Contract and shall automatically terminate at the end of the Period of the Contract, unless the parties have previously agreed to renew it.
- c. The Contractor guarantees that it has the right to grant to the CRA all the rights granted under this Licence. The Contractor also guarantees that all necessary consents to that grant have been obtained.
- d. The Contractor agrees that the terms and conditions of the Contract which includes this licence as Annex E supersede any previous terms and conditions agreed to that pertain to this specific requirement. Any conditions accompanying or enclosed with the Online Information Product(s), if any, do not form part of the Agreement and, therefore, are not part of the CRA's licence and do not affect the rights of the Parties in any way. The Contractor agrees that in no event will The CRA or any Authorized User be required to enter into any additional licence agreement with respect to the Online Information Product(s) or any portion of it. The Contractor acknowledges that any additional licence agreement relating to the Online Information Product(s) signed by anyone other than the Contracting Authority is void and of no effect.
- e. The CRA is not bound by any "click through" conditions or any other conditions, express or implied, that are contained in or on the packaging or Media or conditions that may accompany the Online Information Product(s) in any manner, regardless of any notification to the contrary. For further clarification, The CRA acknowledges that the Authorized User(s) may have to manually click to accept a "click-through" in order to gain access to the Online Information Product(s) as standard practice.
- f. The CRA acknowledges that ownership of the Information Products belongs to the Contractor or its licensor and is not transferred to The CRA. As a result, any reference in the Contract to any part of

Information Products as a deliverable must be interpreted as a reference to the licence to use the Information Products, not to own the Information Products.

3. USAGE RIGHTS

- a. The CRA and its Authorized Users will have access to the Online Information Product(s) from the Server via the Secure Network and are permitted online access to the Online Information Product(s) as detailed in the Contract, and may download, display, view, retrieve, browse, collate, save, or print text, make back-up copies, search results, or other information, as reasonably necessary, solely for the private use or research of the CRA and the authorized users.
- b. The CRA and its Authorized Users may download, store, print, photocopy, or make electronic copies of documents (or portions of documents) from products listed for the purpose of supplying such documents to Agency personnel as part of their regular business and research processes.
- c. The CRA and its Authorized Users may supply print or electronic copies of individual articles, chapters or other individual items of the Content solely when required by law for use in legal proceedings.
- d. The CRA and its Authorized Users may provide print or electronic copies of individual articles, chapters or other individual items of the Content, to national or international regulatory authorities for the purposes of or in anticipation of regulatory approval, patent and/or trademark applications or other regulatory purposes in respect of the CRA's products or services.
- e. Nothing in this licence shall in any way exclude, modify or affect any of the CRA's rights under the Copyright Act of Canada.

4. PROHIBITED USES

- a. The CRA must not engage in the following activities and must take all commercially reasonable efforts to prevent Authorized Users from engaging in the following activities:
 - i. remove or alter the authors' names or the Contractor's copyright notices or other means of identification or disclaimers as they appear in the Online Information Product(s);
 - ii. systematically make print or electronic copies of multiple extracts of the Licensed Materials for any purpose other than back-up copies permitted under clause 3;
 - iii. except as provided in clause 3, provide by electronic means, to a user at another library or elsewhere, a retained electronic copy of any part of the Online Information Product(s);
 - iv. mount or distribute any part of the Online Information Product(s) on any electronic network, including without limitation the Internet and the World Wide Web, other than the Secure Network;
 - v. directly or indirectly use or assist any third party to use the Content for any commercial or monetary purposes including without limitation any sale, resale, loan, transfer or upload of the Content to a commercial entity's internet website, or otherwise charge a fee for access, provided however, that recovery of direct costs by the CRA from Authorized Users, and use of the Content in the course of research funded by a commercial organization shall not violate this sub-section.
- b. The Contractor's explicit written permission must be obtained in order to:
 - i. use all or any part of the Online Information Product(s) for any Commercial Use, other than as permitted in clause 3;
 - ii. systematically distribute the whole or any part of the Online Information Product(s) to anyone other than Authorized Users;

- iii. publish, distribute or make available the Online Information Product(s), works based on the Online Information Product(s) or works which combine them with any other material, other than as permitted in this licence;
- iv. alter, abridge, adapt or modify the Online Information Product(s), except to the extent necessary to make them perceptible on a computer screen or as otherwise permitted in this licence, to Authorized Users. For the avoidance of doubt, no alteration of the words or their order is permitted.

5. PUBLISHER'S UNDERTAKINGS

- a. The Contractor reserves the right at any time to withdraw from the Online Information Product(s) any item or part of an item for which it no longer retains the right to publish, or which it has reasonable grounds to believe infringes copyright or is defamatory, obscene, unlawful or otherwise objectionable. The Contractor shall give written notice to the CRA not less than sixty (60) days in advance of such withdrawal. If such modification or withdrawal materially alters the CRAs' use of the product the Contractor will work with the CRA to come to a mutually agreeable arrangement regarding replacement of content or refund to the CRA that part of the Fee that is in proportion to the amount of material withdrawn and the remaining unexpired portion of the Subscription Period.
- b. Except as expressly provided in this licence, the Contractor makes no representations or warranties of any kind, express or implied, including, but not limited to, warranties of design, accuracy of the information contained in the Online Information Product(s), merchantability or fitness of use for a particular purpose. The Online Information Product(s) are supplied 'as is'.
- c. The Contractor confirms to the CRA that usage statistics covering the online usage of the journals and databases included in this licence will be provided. The Contractor further confirms that such usage statistics will adhere to the specifications of the COUNTER Code of Practice.

6. THE CRA'S UNDERTAKINGS

- a. The CRA must use reasonable efforts to:
 - i. ensure that only Authorized Users are permitted access to the Online Information Product(s);
 - ii. ensure that all Authorized Users are appropriately notified of the importance of respecting the intellectual property rights in the Online Information Product(s) and that they are made aware of and undertake to abide by the terms and conditions of this licence;
 - iii. monitor compliance and immediately upon becoming aware of any unauthorized use or other breach, inform the Contractor and take all steps, including disciplinary action, both to ensure that such activity ceases and to prevent any recurrence;
 - iv. issue passwords or other access information only to Authorized Users and use reasonable endeavours to ensure that Authorized Users do not divulge their passwords or other access information to any third party;
 - v. keep full and up-to-date records of all Authorized Users and their access details and provide the Contractor with details of such additions, deletions or other alterations as are necessary to enable the Contractor to provide Authorized Users with access to the Online Information Product(s) as contemplated by this licence.

7. UNDERTAKINGS BY BOTH PARTIES

- a. Each party must use its best endeavours to safeguard the intellectual property, confidential information and proprietary rights of the other party.
- b. The parties must not disclose the terms and conditions or the subject matter of this Licence (including, without limitation, the list of the Online Information Product(s) and any usage data compiled and supplied) or any other information about the other party's business to any third party without the prior written consent

of the other. This provision will survive the termination of this Licence, and any information obtained or received which comes within these restrictions must remain confidential, provided always that this obligation will not apply to any information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain or is made available at any time by an independent third party which has not obtained it directly or indirectly in breach of any confidentiality agreement with either of the parties hereto.

8. LICENCE FEE

- a. The CRA must pay the fees to the Contractor as set forth in the Contract.

9. TERM AND TERMINATION

- a. In addition to automatic termination (unless renewed) under clause 2, this Licence could be terminated:
 - i. if the CRA defaults in making payment of the Fee as provided in the Contract;
 - ii. if either party commits a material or persistent breach of any term or obligations of this Licence or the Contract and fails to remedy the breach within thirty (30) days of notification in writing by the other party;
- b. On termination all rights and obligations of the parties automatically terminate except as specifically provided in this licence, and except for obligations in respect of Online Information Product(s) to which access continues to be permitted as provided in clause 9 f.
- c. On termination of this licence for default, as specified in clauses 9 a., the CRA shall immediately cease to distribute or make available the Online Information Product(s) to Authorized Users.
- d. On termination of this licence by the CRA for default, as specified in clause 9 a.(ii). above, the Contractor shall forthwith refund the proportion of the Fee that represents the paid but unexpired part of the Subscription Period.
- e. The CRA hereby acknowledges that the business of the Contractor is entirely dependent upon the Contractor's intellectual property rights in the Online Information Product(s), and that any material and persistent breach thereof constitutes a fundamental breach of this licence, in which event, notwithstanding clause 9, this licence shall immediately terminate.
- f. On termination of the Contract, Contractor must provide continuing access for the CRA to that part of the Online Information Product(s) which was published and paid for within the subscription period, either from electronic online access or by supplying electronic files or CD-ROMs/DVDs to the CRA or by permitting the CRA to create one (1) copy of such content if the Contractor shows sufficient reason why they cannot supply electronic files.

10. GENERAL

- a. Alterations to this licence are only valid if they are recorded in writing and signed by both the Contractor and the Contracting Authority representing the CRA.

11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- b. Any reference in this section to damages caused by the Contractor also includes damages caused by its employees, as well as its subcontractors, agents, and representatives, and any of their employees.
- c. Whether the claim is based in contract, tort, or another cause of action, the Contractor's liability for all damages suffered by Canada caused by the Contractor's performance of or failure to perform the Licence Agreement is limited to Contract Value. This limitation of the Contractor's liability does not apply to: (i) any infringement of intellectual property rights; or (ii) any breach of warranty obligations.

- d. Each Party agrees that it is fully liable for any damages that it causes to any third party in connection with this Licence Agreement, regardless of whether the third party makes its claim against Canada or the Contractor. If Canada is required, as a result of joint and several liability, to pay a third party in respect of damages caused by the Contractor, the Contractor must reimburse Canada for that amount.