



Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN)

An ACAN is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that a department or agency intends to award a contract for goods, services or construction to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a statement of capabilities. If no supplier submits a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in the ACAN, the contracting officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

1. Definition of the Requirement:

The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) has a requirement to provide Advanced Apple Forensics Investigation training and Blackbag Software courses to CBSA's Digital Forensics Investigators (DFIs).

The work will involve the following:

1.1 Objectives:

The Digital Forensics Unit (DFU), within the Criminal Investigations Division provides the technical expertise in the acquisition, processing, and analysis of digital devices in support of the CBSA's criminal investigations mandate. The DFU consists of DFIs spread across 12 labs nationally. DFIs provide subject matter expertise on the extraction of digital evidence for criminal prosecutions and as such require continuously training in digital forensic techniques, tradecraft, and software in order to keep pace with changing digital technology and be credible court-certified experts. Digital devices and media are frequently encountered at ports of entry and during inland search warrant activities. These devices often contain significant quantities of evidence that are essential to successful enforcement and/or criminal prosecutions. Apple devices such as Apple MacBooks and iPhones are some of the numerous items that DFIs seize. BlackBag's Blacklight and Macquisition software are a few of the forensic tools used by the DFU program, and one of the only tools capable of extracting and processing digital evidence from Apple operating systems.

1.2 Tasks and Deliverables:

The contractor must provide training using Blackbag Software on computer and electronic media, such as MacBooks and iPhones, to support various activities such as, but not limited to the following:

- investigating criminal offenses
- interdicting contraband material at port of entry
- monitoring suspected terrorists,
- gathering intelligence
- extracting, processing, and interpreting digital from Apple operating systems

The contractor must provide the following:

- Training using Blackbag Software on a virtual platform
- Training material /documents/ guidelines that can be used as a reference for future users of the software
- BlackBag certificate to each participant who passes the final exam.

1.3 Constraints

- The contractor must provide training virtually and will not have access to any of the CBSA's facilities, systems or documents.
- The contractor will provide trial BlackBag software and sample case data so that attendees are able to learn by utilizing the software.
- The contractor must give access and/or provide a virtual platform for the e-training session.
- The contractor will not be travelling to give the training on site considering the world pandemic of COVID19.

1.4 Location of work

The training will be done virtually.

2. Criteria for assessment of the Statement of Capabilities (Minimum Essential Requirements)

Any interested suppliers must demonstrate by way of a statement of capabilities that it meets the following requirements:



1. The contractor must provide training using Blackbag Software on computers and electronic media, such as MacBooks and iPhones, to support various activities such as, but not limited to the following:
 - investigating criminal offenses
 - interdicting contraband material at port of entry
 - monitoring suspected terrorists,
 - gathering intelligence
 - extracting, processing, and interpreting digital evidence from Apple operating systems
2. The supplier must demonstrate that they can provide Blackbag certificates to each participants who pass the final exam.
3. The supplier must demonstrate that they can provide Blackbag training virtually

3. Applicability of the trade agreement(s) to the procurement

This procurement is subject to the following trade agreement:

- Comprehensive and progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)
- Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)
- Canada-Ukraine Free Trade Agreement (CUFTA)
- World Trade Organization-Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-GPA)

4. Set-aside under the Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business

This procurement is not subject to any set-asides for Aboriginal Suppliers.

5. Comprehensive Land Claims Agreement(s)

This procurement is not subject to a Comprehensive Land Claims Agreement.

6. Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier

The pre-identified supplier meets all of the minimum essential requirements described in this ACAN. The pre-identified supplier is the owner of the required Software.

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7. Government Contracts Regulations Exception(s)

The following exception to the [Government Contracts Regulations](#) is invoked for this procurement under subsection:

- (d) only one person is capable of performing the contract.

8. Exclusions and/or Limited Tendering Reasons

The following exclusion(s) and/or limited tendering reasons are invoked under the:

- World Trade Organization – Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP) – Article XV, section 1 (b)
- Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) – Article 19.2, section 1 (b) (ii)
- Canada-Ukraine Free Trade Agreement (CUFTA) - Article 10.13, section 1 (b) (ii)
- Comprehensive and progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) – Article 15.3(c)

9. Ownership of Intellectual Property

Ownership of any Foreground Intellectual Property arising out of the proposed contract will vest in the Contractor.

10. The period of the proposed contract or the delivery date(s)

The proposed contract is for from contract award to March 31, 2021.

+ Two (2) additional one year option periods under the same terms and conditions.



11. Cost estimate of the proposed contract

The estimated value of the contract, including options, \$138,600 USD.

12. Name and address of the pre-identified supplier

It is intended to award a service contract to the following contractor:

Cellebrite Inc.
7 Campus Drive, Suite 210
Parsippany, New Jersey
United States of America
07054

13. Suppliers' right to submit a statement of capabilities

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the services described in the ACAN, may submit a statement of capabilities in writing to the contact person identified in this notice on or before the closing date and time of this notice. This statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

14. The closing date for a submission of a statement of capabilities

The closing date and time for accepting statements of capabilities is **January 15 at 2:00 PM EDT**

15. Inquiries and submission of statement of capabilities

Inquiries and statement of capabilities are to be directed to:

Name: Stephanie Nachar
Title: Senior Contracting Officer
Department : Canada Border Services Agency, Comptrollership Branch
Directorate: Strategic Procurement and Material Management Division
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