Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Bid Solicitation # 5000055100 Questions and Answers – Set 1 December 21, 2020

- Q1. Is there any incumbent? If there is, please provide the name of the Company, Project Value and duration.
- A1. This is a new requirement; there is no incumbent.
- Q2. What's the period of the resulting contract?
- A2. The period of the contract will be for approximately 8 months. The anticipated start date is early February 2021 with an end date of September 30, 2021.
- Q3. We are having difficulties in downloading the Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions from the website.
 - 1) 2003 (2020-05-28) Standard Instructions Goods or Services Competitive Requirements
 - 2) 2035 (2020-05-28), General Conditions Higher Complexity Services
- A3. Below are the direct links to the Standard Instructions and General Conditions:
 - 2003 (2020-05-28) Standard Instructions Goods or Services Competitive Requirements → <u>https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisitionclauses-and-conditions-manual/1/2003/25</u>
 - 2) 2035 (2020-05-28), General Conditions Higher Complexity Services → <u>https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/3/2035/18</u>
- Q4. Would you consider extending both the deadline for submissions and the window for execution to allow a complete scope to be executed? The timeframes provided for starting and executing the work appear to be rather aggressive. If these dates can be extended sufficiently, we would submit a proposal. However as the schedule stands, we do not meet this timeline.
- A4. The bid submission deadline will be extended by two weeks and the deliverables timeframe will be revised through an amendment.
- Q5. Attachment 1 to Part 4, Technical Criteria: The scoring describes in the table is misleading.

R1: 15 Point Maximum R2: 15 Points Maximum R3: 10 Points Maximum R4: 30 Points Maximum

Which gives us the total of 70, and not 80 Points as indicated in the Bid. Could you please justify the total 80 points indicated in the table?

- A5. The total available points is 70 and the minimum pass mark is 49 points. This will be reflected in an amendment.
- Q6. Section 6, Deliverables and Associated Schedule: The deadline for the Task 1 and the Task 2 is 60 days of awarding contract, while for the Task 3 it is March 31, 2021, which means that practically those 3 tasks should be finalized during the first two months. Is that correct interpretation?
- A6. The deliverables timeframe will be revised through an amendment. It is anticipated that only the first task will be required prior to March 31, 2021.
- Q7. Annex B, Basis of Payment: The percentages of contract value adds up to 120%. Could you confirm whether this was intended or provide the correct values?
- A7. The Percentage of Contract Value will be revised through an amendment.
- Q8. Regarding Task 6, it is a challenge to offer a Fixed Price quote without understanding the level of effort required to perform this task. As such we would ask that CNSC provide either (i) the required level of effort for the support; or (ii) approval to quote Task 6 on a T&M basis.
- A8. Bidders should submit a firm all-inclusive price for the work detailed in Annex A, Statement of Work; a level of effort will not be determined for the tasks. The Percentage of Contract Value found in the table in Annex B, Basis of Payment will be revised through an amendment.