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ADDENDUM NO. 1

Subject: Request for Proposal (RFP) - FP802-210006

Title: Carbon footprint analysis of five salmonid aquaculture technologies

Dear Sir/Madam:

Further to the above-mentioned Invitation to Tender, this **Addendum no.1** is to advise potential bidders of the following Questions & Answers:

Question 1:

p. 3 specifies that the consultant will develop a case study for each of the five production technologies, explaining the technology and the results of the carbon footprint analysis of each. Does DFO expect that the case studies will detail existing, operating facilities? If so, development of the case studies likely will require access to information that may be confidential and would require permission from the facility owner/operator to share in the report generated for this assignment. If permission cannot be obtained for operating facilities representing all five technologies, will it be acceptable for one or more of the case studies to detail a hypothetical operation?

Answer 1:

DFO is looking for the consultant to create case studies based on existing, operating facilities, where possible. However, DFO recognizes that some of the technologies are nascent and that the consultant may not have access to or the right to publish commercially sensitive information. To this end, Annex A – Statement of Work indicates that "where data may be lacking to conduct a fulsome carbon footprint analysis for some of the technologies, notably offshore production systems, the consultant will do their best to conduct the work and will reflect any lack of data and/or assumptions in the final report". Therefore, it would be acceptable for one or more of the case studies to detail a hypothetical operation, at the discretion of the DFO Project Authority.

Question 2:

P. 10-11 specifies the basis for point rated technical criteria, with R1 and R2 allowing 10 points per project and R3 allowing 5 points per project. Will points be assigned as "all or nothing" or will fewer than 10 or 5 points be granted to a given project based on quality, relevance, complexity etc.? If the latter, please provide the ratings scheme through which projects will be assigned 1 through 10 points (for R2 and R2) or 1 through 5 points (for R3).

Answer 2: Yes. Points will be distributed as all or nothing.

Question 3:

Is DFO willing to consider any modifications to the standard contract language? In particular, we request that DFO include the following provision:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, in no event shall the aggregate liability of Contractor and its affiliates for professional errors and omissions in connection with this Contract or the Work hereunder exceed the amount equal to five (5) times the amount actually paid to Contractor by Canada for professional services in connection with this Contract, and Canada specifically releases Contractor and its affiliates for any and all liability, losses or damages in excess of that amount."

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Answer 3: No, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), will not consider any modifications to the Terms & Conditions.

Question 4:

Annex B: should the values entered include or exclude HST?

Answer 4:

The values entered in Annex B should exclude HST.

Question 5:

Has DFO set a cap on the contract value and, if so, are you able to share that value with bidders?

Answer 5:

No, no cap has been set on the contract value.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Yours truly,

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