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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION

Proposal: We hereby offer to sell to the Department of National Defence, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

Proposition: Nous offrons par la présente de vendre au

ministère de la défense Nationale, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens énumérés sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

Comments – Commentaires

Title/Titre Cellular Airborne Sensor for Search and Rescue (CASSAR) Procurement				
Solicitation No – N° de l'invitation	Date 2004			
W8485-216254/DAP4/A	23 January 2021			
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on - le 26 January 2021				
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Amendment four (004) to the Request for Proposal (RFP) W8485-216254/DAP4/A is raised to:

- A. Provide a response to bidder questions;
- B. Amend RFP, Annex B Basis of Payment, Section 2.0 System Unit Price and Table 1 CASSAR Systems; and
- C. Amend RFP, Annex C- Evaluation Plan, Mandatory Privacy Specification SOW paragraph reference numbers.

Part A:

Question from Bidder:

1. What should be included in the firm prices in the financial bid tables? It is not completely clear whether [the bidder] should include FOB (with or without Delivery) or DDP (Custom Duties included). [Should the unit prices also include] other taxes (Excise, HST, GST, PST...)?

Answer from Contracting Authority (CA):

As per the recent amendment 003 to RFP W8485-216254/DAP4/A posted on Buy and Sell, on 22 January 2021 to the section 4.1.2, *the bidder must include a firm-all inclusive price, (including but not limited to, Delivery Duty Paid, all delivery charges, Canadian Customs Duties and Excise Taxes. Applicable Taxes are extra*".

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with RFP Annex B – Basis of Payment. Unless otherwise indicated, bidders must include a firm all-inclusive price (including but not limited to Delivery Duty Paid, all delivery charges, Canadian Customs Duties and Excise Taxes). <u>Applicable taxes are extra.</u>

Bids will be evaluated in Canadian dollars. Bids submitted in foreign currency will be converted to Canadian currency for evaluation purposes. The rate given by the Bank of Canada in effect on the bid solicitation closing date will be applied as a conversion factor to the bids submitted in foreign currency.

Furthermore, In RFP, Annex B – Basis of Payment, the Instructions to the Bidder (section 1.1 to 1.1.3) outline the process for completing the financial bid. The section 2.0, System Unit Price, indicates how the bidder should complete the Table 1, 2 and 3 (if applicable). Furthermore, section 4.0 Deliverable Payments specifies the Incoterm 2010 DDP. An amendment has been made to the Annex B – Basis of Payment to indicate the unit prices should include DDP, with applicable taxes extra.

2. It is shown in RFP Annex D that Annex G is mandatory to be included, however, it seems that Annex G is only applicable for a company which have be charged or convicted. Should [the bidder] include this Annex G in the Section III-Certifications [if they do not have a criminal conviction or charge]?

Answer from CA:

RFP, Annex G, Integrity Designation Form must be submitted with every bid as stated RFP, *Part 5 – Certifications and Additional Information, section 5.1.1 Integrity Provisions- Declaration of Criminal Offences.* This Integrity Designation Form must be completed so Canada can complete an independent Integrity Regime check within our database prior to Contract award.

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3. Regarding Annex F, it appears in Annex D as mandatory but in section 5.2 [of the RFP, it says it should] be provided prior to Contract Award, not in the Bid process. Also [is this Annex applicable to foreign and/or domestic countries] delivering products?

Answer from CA:

Annex F, Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Certification should be completed at time of bid submission as per the RFP *Part 5 – Certifications and Additional Information, section 5.2, Certifications Precedent to Contract Award* which states:

Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information 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 provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame specified will render the bid non-responsive.

Furthermore, Annex F is applicable to both foreign and domestic countries and should be included with the bid.

4. In RFP section 7.12 appears the priority list. What does it refer to with the option (a) Articles of Agreement?

Answer from CA:

The Articles of Agreement specified in *RFP, PART 7 Resulting Contract Clauses, section 7.12, Priority of Documents* is referring to the resulting Contract clauses in the RFP.

5. What would be the standard timelines between the bid process end and contract award?

Answer from CA:

As stated in the Notice of Proposed Procurement on Buy and Sell, the anticipated timeframe for Contract Award is February 2021.

PART B:

Delete in its entirety, RFP, Annex B – Basis of Payment, System Unit Price section 2.0 and Table 1, CASSAR Systems, and replace with the following:

2.0 System Unit Price

2.1 The System Unit Price(s) specified herein are applicable to Table 1, Table 2 and Table 3. In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing the obligations under the resulting Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price, customs duties included and applicable taxes extra.

2.2 For the firm price of the Work only, Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications, or interpretations of the Work unless approved in advance by the Contracting Authority in writing before their incorporation into the Work.

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2.3 The Bidders must include a firm all-inclusive price, Delivery Duty Paid (DDP Incoterm 2010), including all delivery charges, Canadian Customs Duties and Excise Taxes, applicable taxes extra, for quantity five and up to three additional optional CASSAR systems

2.3.1 The Contractor must complete all the fields highlighted in green, where applicable.

Table 1 CASSAR SYSTEMS (Section 3.1 of the SOW)

Deliverable Item	System Identifier/Part Number	Unit Price	Quantity	Firm Overall Cost (DDP)
CASSAR System and associated components			5 (MINIMUM)	
CASSAR System and associated components			6	
CASSAR System and associated components			7	
CASSAR System and associated components			8	

PART C

Delete in its entirety RFP, Annex C- Evaluation Plan, Table 1 Mandatory Criteria Compliance Matrix and insert the following:

(P): Mandatory Privacy Specifications

The CASSAR system must satisfy the following privacy specifications for the Contractors' bid to be declared responsive.

P1	SOW Appendix 1,	The system must not affect or interact with a cell phone that is	Yes	Must at a minimum, include
	Para 5.1	connected to a commercial cellular network.	Or	a design declaration or a
			No	test report.
P2	SOW	The system must not provide any	Yes	Must at a
	Appendix 1,	identifiable personal information		minimum, include
	Para 5.2	to the operator and any third party	Or	a design
		user.		declaration or a
			No	test report.
P3	SOW	The system must not store any	Yes	Must at a
	Appendix 1,	information on non-target cell		minimum, include
	Para 5.3	phones.	Or	a design

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			No	declaration or a test report.
P4	SOW Appendix 1, Para 5.4	The system must not be able to read or intercept any cell phone's contact lists, text messages, or voice calls.	Yes Or No	Must at a minimum, include a design declaration or a test report.
P5	SOW Appendix 1, Para 5.5	The system must automatically erase information collected during the flight when powered off.	Yes Or No	Must at a minimum, include a design declaration or a test report.