

**Question and Answers – Tender Notice - Advance Contract Award Notice #5Z011-21-0066**

**Transit of obsolete motion picture sound formats  
Department of Library and Archives Canada**

**Question #1:**

Do you have some more specs on the amount of film you have and what formats?

We can do optical and mag 35mm. Full coat we may use our partner to handle that.

**Answer #1:**

The Contractor is to transfer obsolete motion picture sound formats to 35mm polyester optical sound tracks or Broadcast Wave file format. Specifically this includes the transfer of: 16mm and/or 35mm magnetic tracks; 16mm and/or 35mm negative optical sound tracks; 16mm and/or 35mm positive optical sound tracks; ¼" magnetic reels. The 35mm formats include both acetate and nitrate bases.

We estimate that we have:

16mm magnetic tracks = 8,850,000 feet

35mm magnetic tracks = 1,900,000 feet

16mm negative optical sound tracks = 4,280,000 feet

35mm negative optical sound tracks on an acetate base = 3,287,000 feet

35mm negative optical sound tracks on a nitrate base = 510,000 feet

16mm positive optical sound tracks = 711,000 feet

35mm positive optical sound tracks on an acetate base = 641,000 feet

35mm positive optical sound tracks on a nitrate base = 313,000 feet

¼" magnetic reels = 5,900 reels

The total contract value, GST included, shall not exceed \$25,000 per year. All work is to be performed on an "as and when required basis".

The Contractor must have the ability to copy all of these formats.

The Contractor must have the ability to deal with acetate and nitrate bases.

All work is to be carried out in the contractor's own facility.

Minimum essential requirements – two (2) years of experience in the last five (5) years transferring obsolete motion picture sound from 35mm nitrate bases.