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ADDENDUM # 8

**Subject: Request for Proposal T8080-200405
Enhancing the Cybersecurity Readiness of Canada's Road Infrastructure
Owner/Operators for Higher Levels of Connectivity and Automation**

No consideration will be given for extras and/or changes because the tenderer was not familiar with the contents of this Addendum.

Questions have been received from a potential tenderer about the subject Request for Proposal.

The purpose of this Addendum, to the Request for Proposal, is to summarize the questions and answers to inform all potential bidders.

QUESTION NO. 56:

Rated requirement R3, the Depth of Experience indicates "1 point per relevant project in the last 10 years where the scope of the training program included 100 or more employees or the training program was multi-year".

Will Canada accept 4 points if 4 named resources had in depth experience in developing the relevant training materials and programs all on the same project?

ANSWER NO. 56:

Points are allocated per project example provided, as long as the Bidder clearly relates how the experience of the proposed resource(s) applies to the Statement of Work. If 4 named resources are involved in developing the same training program (and the relevance to the Statement of Work is demonstrated), 0.5 or 1 point would be assessed for that example.

QUESTION NO. 57:

Task 5.3.4.(b) on the Cybersecurity Current and Target Profile Assessment Tools states "The final decision on the format rests with Transport Canada." That puts a significant risk on the vendor if the company retains and resources software developers to fill proposed development tool development tasks, only to have Canada direct a different tool format or development framework.

Will Canada permit resources to work on tasks that not named in the proposal, i.e. software developers, pen test experts or other resources as required?

ANSWER NO. 57:

Resources that may be working on the project must be included in the proposal. Bidders are encouraged to include the necessary resources to develop a standalone product on a single computer (i.e. user computer) and without the need for maintenance or additional developer support over time.

This flexibility is sought to ensure the toolkit can be made available at no cost to users, and can be updated by the Crown or any user without restrictions and at minimal cost.

As per amendment 005, the penetration testing requirement has been removed from the RFP.

Please see section 5.2.3.1, and section 19 in Annex A, in the RFP for additional stipulations on the availability and replacement of resources.

QUESTION NO. 58:

Task 5.1 states "Following the kickoff meeting, and on a weekly basis (or timing as determined in discussion with Technical Authority), update the Project Plan outlining the weekly progress on all tasks, deliverables, and the allocation of project resources.", and M6 states "The Project Plan must specify the weekly progress targets on all tasks and deliverables as well as the allocation of each project resource(s)'s time in person-days."

Is Canada looking for weekly schedule markers, which could amount to over 150 scheduled WBS items, or will Canada accept weekly schedule updates showing Earned Value percentage progress on each task?

ANSWER NO. 58:

Weekly project schedule updates (or as determined in discussion with technical authority) will be required. These updates will provide the weekly progress on all tasks, deliverables, and the allocation of project resources. The percentage of completion on each task is acceptable and the bidder may provide additional information based on their expertise

QUESTION NO. 59:

Could you please confirm what is the maximum of projects that we can submit for the criteria M1 in the Annex D:

-3 projects maximum (3 projects in the M1 section + more projects in the Appendix section or

-more than 3 projects in the M1 section

Please clarify.

In reference to the Annex D, Criteria M1 as follows:

The Bidder's proposed resource (s) collectively must have completed three (3) projects within the last ten (10) years that relate to performing cybersecurity assessments on critical infrastructure systems (e.g. transportation sector, financial sector, energy sector) using recognized methodology or standards such as ISO 27001, NIST CSF or other appropriate cybersecurity standards.

Note: This can be demonstrated as a total of 3 projects completed by one or more of the proposed resource(s). The proposed resource(s) are not required to have worked on the same projects to be counted as experience.

This must be demonstrated through project summaries as defined in the general requirements.

ANSWER NO. 59:

Bidders may provide more than 3 projects examples as there is no maximum set, however the total technical portion of the bid (excluding title, table of contents, Project Plan, and CVs) must not exceed 100 pages as per M8. Project summaries would be counted in the page count, even if these appear in an Appendix.

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All other terms and conditions of the solicitation document remain unchanged.

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