



SHARED SERVICES CANADA (SSC)

Invitation to Qualify (ITQ) for Government of Canada Network Services (GCNS) Procurement Process

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Amendment No.	020	GETS Reference No.	PW-20-00939000

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Closing Date and Time	April 12, 2021 @ 02:00 PM		
Time Zone	Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)		

INVITATION TO QUALIFY AMENDMENT NO. 020

ITQ Amendment no. 020 is raised:

- 1) To identify key dates;
- 2) To answer questions posed by the potential respondents; and
- 3) To extend the ITQ closing date.

Milestone	Original Date	Revised Date
ITQ release date	December 21, 2020	completed
ITQ Briefing Session	January 8, 2021	completed
Pre-bid submission date	January 22, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST)	January 29, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#1) February 5, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#2) February 12, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#7) February 19, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#12) February 26, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#16) March 12, 2021 @ 11:59 PM (EST) (AMD#17) completed
Last day for Questions and Comments	January 26, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST)	February 2, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST) (AMD#2) February 9, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST) (AMD#7) completed
ITQ closing date and time	February 12, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST)	February 19, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST) (AMD#1) February 26, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST) (AMD#7) March 5, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EST) (AMD#12) April 6, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EDT) (AMD#17) April 12, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EDT) (AMD#20)

Question 76:

Amendment 019 was published on Buy & Sell on March 16, 2021, however there was no PDF file entitled "GCNS ITQ Amendment 019" attached to the GCNS ITQ. Can Canada explain?

Answer 76:

The transition to Daylight Savings Time occurred on March 14, 2021. Canada had to adjust the closing time of the ITQ on Buy & Sell from Eastern Standard Time (EST) to Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). This was the only change associated with Amendment 019.

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Question 77:

Canada is still working on completing the evaluations of the respondents' pre-bid submissions, therefore the closing date of the ITQ will be extended by 4 federal government working days.

Answer 77:

The ITQ closing date is hereby extended to April 12, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (EDT).

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ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

