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Subject: LFA 25 Scientific rock crab trap survey vessel charter

May 19, 2021

ADDENDUM #1

Further to the above mentioned Request for Tender Addendum (#1) is hereby issued to update the mandatory criteria, respond to the following RFP question and update a section of the Statement of Work:

<u>DELETE:</u> Annex "D" Mandatory Criteria in its entirety.

INSERT: Annex "D" - Mandatory Criteria

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the mandatory evaluation criteria as detailed herein. Bidders' Proposals must clearly demonstrate that they meet all Mandatory Requirements for the proposal to be considered for further evaluation. Proposals not meeting the mandatory criteria will be excluded from further consideration.

It is mandatory that the following information be provided by the Supplier:

Proposals submitted for this requirement **must clearly demonstrate** that the Bidder meets all of the Mandatory Criteria. Failure to demonstrate this will result in the Proposal being deemed NON-COMPLIANT and given no further consideration.

To demonstrate experience, the Contractor shall cite specific examples from their work history. For the purposes of this proposal, "experience" shall infer that the Captain and/or crew member provided by the contractor have gained this experience while performing a task or duty in which the experience criterion was the primary focus of the work conducted. The Contractor must include the start and end dates including months and years and where the experience was obtained.

A vessel inspection may take place after bid closing of those vessels having met the Mandatory Criteria.

The Bidder must include the following table in their proposal and providing the proposal page number or section that contains information to verify that the criteria has been met.

* Due to questions received regarding M13,14, and 15, DFO has revised Mandatory Criteria 13 through 16.

No.	Mandatory Criteria	Proposal page #
1	The bidder must complete and provide Annex A-1 as part of their bid submission.	
2	The proposal must contain a statement of the name under which the vessel is legally incorporated and a statement from the Canadian foreign ownership firm, if applicable	
3	A captain and a minimum of two crew members must be available to assist the DFO scientific team for sampling during the entire study. *Provide the names and availability statement as proof.	
4	The captain must have a minimum of 3 years/seasons of experience in commercial trap fishing (lobster, rock crab or snow crab) in the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence.	
5	The captain must have a minimum of 3 years/seasons of experience in steering and operating a vessel near the study area in the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence.	
6	The captain must have a minimum of 3 years/seasons of experience using fishing traps, the fishing grounds and current conditions of LFA 25.	
7	At least one crew member (other than the captain) must have a minimum of one year of experience in handling, repairing and maintaining traps.	
8	The vessel must include a grapple and a hydraulic hauler with a boom.	
	*A photo is required as proof.	
9	The vessel must include a sorting/grading table. *A photo is required as proof.	
10	The vessel must include a sheltered area with a table and seating.	
	*A photo is required as proof.	
11	The vessel must possess a minimum of one toilet.	
12	*A photo is required as proof. The vessel must be equipped with a VHF radio and a CB radio in good operating condition and approved by Transport Canada, a sounder, a plotter, a digital GPS, a Novatec navigation system or its equivalent, radar and a cellular and satellite telephone (for security reasons). *Photo(s) is/are required as proof. **If providing an equivalent product, this must be listed as equivalent with specifications provided.	

13	The bidder must provide a copy of the Vessel	
	Registration.	
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	*A photo or copy of the registration is required as proof.	
14	The captain must have a Small Vessel Operator's	
	Proficiency certificate.	
	*A photo or copy of the certificate is required as proof.	
15	The life raft must have a minimum capacity of 6 people	
	* A photo or copy of the certificate is required as proof.	
16	The bidder must indicate which size boat under table 5-	
	1 of the following link that will be used for the duration	
	of the project and must demonstrate that they meet all	
	required safety equipment under the table 5-1.	
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	https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-	
	transportation/marine-safety/chapter-5-be-ready-	
	emergencies#3	
	*Photos must be provided as proof.	

Question 1:

Under 5.0 – Work Requirements, it states: "Personnel (one captain and at least two (2) crew members) must be qualified and experienced at deploying and retrieving rock crab traps and must assist DFO scientific representatives." While under Mandatory criteria #4 it states "The captain must have a minimum of 3 years/seasons of experience in commercial trap fishing (lobster, rock crab or snow crab) in the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence"

- a. It appears that the Captain needs rock crab experience but based on the mandatory criteria does not need to prove it, could you clarify?
- b. Could you clarify if the participant needs to be an active rock crab fisher in LFA 25?

Answer 1:

- a. Yes, for mandatory criteria 4, proof is required and must be provided through work descriptions as described in Annex D.
- b. No, the contractor does not need to be an active rock crab commercial fisher.

Delete:

5.0 Work Requirements

Section:

- Personnel (one captain and at least two (2) crew members) must be qualified and experienced at deploying and retrieving rock crab traps and must assist DFO scientific representatives. At least one (1) member of the crew must be available to assist the DFO representatives when measuring crab and when collecting biological and physical data for the entire duration of the survey.

Insert:

5.0 Work Requirements

Section:

- Personnel (one captain and at least two (2) crew members) must be qualified and experienced at deploying and retrieving Commercial fishing traps (lobster, rock crab or snow crab) and must assist DFO scientific representatives. At least one (1) member of the crew must be available to assist the DFO representatives when measuring crab and when collecting biological and physical data for the entire duration of the survey.

All other Terms and Conditions for this requirement remain unchanged.

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