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AMENDMENT 010

The purpose of this amendment is to:

1) Respond to potential bidders' questions.

1) QUESTION 97:

In the proposal submission PDF form, when we enter the milestones, in the "PROJECT LEAD" column, it can only be LGD or Partner? Some project lead should be also lead by the bidder, is that correct?

RESPONSE 97:

The Bidder is a role only and defined as the entity submitting the proposal through epost online. Typically, the Bidder is also one of the Partners in the proposal submission should be identified as a Partner.

QUESTION 98:

Knowing that we are exposing ourselves and that the challenge will protect the intellectual property of patents, my question is the following: does the challenge protect patents that emerge from it and those going through the bid process?

RESPONSE 98:

Per the 2003 (2002-05-28) Standard Instructions, 05 Submission of Bids, "6. Bids received on or before the stipulated bid solicitation closing date and time will become the property of Canada and will not be returned. All bids will be treated as confidential, subject to the provisions of the Access to Information Act (R.S. 1985, c. A-1) and the Privacy Act (R.S., 1985, c. P-21)."

All patents are protected through the entire Call for Proposals process. For any intellectual property emerging from the solution, it is the Crown's position to promote IP and patents in partners and generally, the intent is that the IP remain with the contractor.

QUESTION 99:

When describing relevant projects for each resource, should the project cost include in-kind contributions or just the value awarded?

RESPONSE 99:

It is recommended that the entire project cost be shown to demonstrate the scope and complexity of the project.

QUESTION 100:

In the table where we list resources, is the field entitled "description" intended to describe the project or rather that person's role on the project?

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RESPONSE 100:

The description field is intended to describe the project. The Bidder may wish to provide a short description of the resource's role on the project.

QUESTION 101:

In the tender form, the "co-investment contribution" section of the budget table only allows in-kind contributions to be entered in the "Labour" field. If we want to add in-kind contributions for equipment use or rental, where do we include them? Can we include them in the "Total In-Kind" field? The table's "equipment rental" field can only be used for "financial" contributions, not in-kind contributions.

RESPONSE 101:

It is recommended that an co-investment contribution that is not cash be entered into the In-Kind field (labour). This amount can be clarified at the contract negotiation stage.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.