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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

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This Request for Proposal (RFP) Amendment # 001 for the Remote Minehunting and Disposal System (RMDS) is raised to:

1. Extend the solicitation date;
2. Provide answers to Industry questions;
3. Make updates to the solicitation documentation.

1. The Request for Proposal solicitation date has been extended from the 03 September 2021 to the 10th November 2021.

2. Please see the below questions with responses:

Question 1,

Does the Launch, Recovery and Handling System need to be designed to perform its specified tasks for Kingston-class ships only? Does the information provided only have to demonstrate that a common Launch, Recovery and Handling System is achieved on the Kingston class, or more generally?

Response 1,

The RMDS must be designed to perform all specified tasks while deployed on a Kingston-class. The Technical Data Package must include sufficient detail including limitations and constraints to determine if other platforms are suitable for deployment. A common Launch, Recovery and Handling system can be demonstrated for Kingston-class only. It is expected that the RMDS will be operable from a shore facility or Vessel of Opportunity (VOO) if the platform provides a comparable environment to the Kingston-class.

Question 2,

Is CDRL RMDS-AE-002 A&E Design and Qualification Plan required at bid submission?

Response 2,

No, it is not required at bid submission. Please see amendment to Volume 2, Annex A, Appendix 2, CDRL RMDS-AE-002 A&E Design and Qualification Plan.

Question 3,

In the Volume 1, Annex C, Financial Evaluation, Table 5.b, there are insufficient labour categories for the work. Would Canada agree to negotiate additional free-flow labour categories with the successful bidder prior to contract award?

Response 3,

Please see amendment to table 5.b adding additional labour categories. The Project Management costs in Table 5.a should include administrative costs related to the contract including free-flow repair.

Question 4,

In Volume 1, Annex A Technical Bid Evaluation, Mandatory Requirement #7, is it acceptable to propose more than one FSR to separately meet the requirement for AUVs and the MDS?

Response 4,

Yes, it is acceptable. Please see amendment to Volume 1, Annex A, Table 1, Mandatory Requirement #7 .

Question 5,

In Vol 1, Annex D, 4.2 and 4.3; Please consider removing these clauses. By completing and signing Appendix B-Rated criteria certificate, the Bidder certifies their commitment to meet the committed percentages in the contract irrespective of any transaction sheets that are included in the bid. The bidder is not required to provide transaction sheets in respect of rated requirements.

Response 5,

The bidder is required to provide as part of their proposal transaction sheets equal to not less than up to 30% of identification of Contract Value, but is not obligated to identify Transactions based on rated requirements. Should the Contractor not wish to provide Transactions with rated requirements at bid time, they can do so after the contract is awarded. Identification of rated requirements in transactions will not be assessed for Value Proposition points.

Question 6,

In Vol 2 and Vol 3, Annex D, 3.1.3: Please consider inserting the dollar value of CCV of Transactions identified in the Proposal into the contract rather than converting to a percentage based on initial contract value. Over the duration of the contract, as the contract is amended the mix of work may change which would change the CCV in percentage terms in the regions where this new work will be performed. As written bidders may artificially adjust their regional commitments to ensure they will meet the contract amounts as the contract is amended.

Response 6,

There is no mandatory or scoring requirement to provide commitments in regional areas. Regional commitments would be established through the transaction sheets provided by the Bidder at bid time. Should the Contractor wish

to provide commitments, it will become an obligation after the contract is awarded, however it is not a requirement to do so. There will be no adjustments made to this clause at this time.

Question 7,

Can the bid validity period be reduced.

Response 7,

No, there is no change to the bid validity.

Question 8,

Would Canada agree to negotiate a cash neutral Milestone Payment Schedule with the successful bidder prior to contract award which more closely reflects the bidder's projected monthly cash outflow of payments?

Response 8,

Yes, Canada would negotiate the Milestone Payments, however proper substantiation and documentation would be required.

Question 9,

Price Table 4a – Acquisition Task Authorizations: Would Canada please confirm that the Firm Hourly Rates in Price Table 4a, Annex C – Financial Evaluation Matrix to Volume 1 Bidder Instructions and Requirements, relate to the Bidder's hourly rates only? (i.e. Subcontractor firm hourly rates are not requested but rather subcontractor

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costs will be marked up in accordance with the 'Subcontractor Mark-up' specified by the bidder in Price Table 4b
– Acquisition Firm Mark-up Rates.)

Response 9,

Confirmed.

3. Please see the following changes to the solicitation documents.

1, At Volume 1, paragraph 3.1.2;

Delete: Complete para

Insert: Bidders must submit a price for all elements detailed in the Financial Bid Evaluation Matrix tables at Annex C of this Volume.

2, At Volume 1, Annex A, Table 1, Mandatory Requirement #7:

Insert|: (after last sentence) 'Note: One or two FSRs may be proposed to meet the requirement for the AUVs and the MDS. Each FSR must have a minimum of three years' experience in their field of expertise.'

3, At Volume 1 Annex C, Price Table 5.b- Category 1 Free Flow

Delete: entire table and notes. **Insert:**

Item No.	Labour Category	Annual Hours	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Extended Price (Years 1-5)
1	Mechanical and/or Electrical and/or Software Engineer	90	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2	Engineering Technologist	700	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
3	Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector	90	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
4	Generalized Labour	150	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Price - Free Flow Repair								
\$								

NOTE: Generalized Labour can be a blended rate.

The indicated number of annual hours for item 1 to 4 above are for evaluation purposes only.

Labour categories and rates submitted in Table 5.c may be added to the free-flow R&O labour categories at Contract Award if required.

The contractor will be paid using the following firm labour rates indicated in the year in which the work will be performed.

For category 1 Free Flow, the delivery will be FCA Free Carrier at point of origin (Halifax or Esquimalt) Incoterms 2000. The Contractor must load the goods onto the carrier designated by the Department of National Defence (DND). Onward shipment from the delivery point to the consignee will be Canada's responsibility.

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4, At Volume 1 Para 4.1 Evaluation Procedures Para b

Delete : Para (b)

Insert: An evaluation team composed of representatives from Canada and contracted personnel from Weir Marine Engineering will evaluate the bids.

5, At Volume 2 Annex A Appendix 2 CDRL, RMDS-AE-002:

Delete: Initially submitted with bid. Re-submitted 15 business days prior to SRR.

Insert: Submission date 20 business days prior to SRR

6, At Volume 3 header:

Delete: W8472-105270

Insert : W8482-105270

7, At Volume 3 Annex H:

Delete: pages 2 and 3

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8, At Volume 3 Annex H Appendix B:

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PART B

REPAIRABLE TEMPLATE
INPUT / OUTPUT REPAIRABLE INVENTORY REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 20XX

Opening Inventory as at 1 April 20XX:	
Plus: Cost of Goods Purchased or Acquired:	
Minus: Consumption / Removals:	
Closing Inventory as at 31 March 20XX:	\$ -

NOTES

Note 1: The closing inventory as at 31 March 20XX must be equal to the itemized listing of repairable items provided through Part A, DND Owned Inventory Holdings Held by Contractors as at 31 March 20XX.

Note 2: A separate Input / Output Inventory Report is required for Consumable Inventory and Repairable Inventory.

Note 3: Report in one currency only and specify the currency if it is not Canadian.

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CONSUMABLE TEMPLATE
INPUT / OUTPUT CONSUMABLE INVENTORY REPORT
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Opening Inventory as at 1 April 20XX:	
Plus: Cost of Goods Purchased or Acquired:	
Minus: Consumption / Removals:	
Closing Inventory as at 31 March 20XX:	\$ -

NOTES

Note 1: The closing inventory as at 31 March 20XX must be equal to the itemized listing of consumable items provided through Part A, DND Owned Inventory Holdings Held by Contractors as at 31 March 20XX.

Note 2: A separate Input / Output Inventory Report is required for Consumable Inventory and Repairable Inventory.

Note 3: Report in one currency only and specify the currency if it is not Canadian.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED FOR YEAR END REPORTING

Description of the activities performed under the Repair & Overhaul (R&O) contract(s) supported by the inventory holdings if not supplied on the Part A spreadsheet.	
How often is a stocktaking performed on the contractor holdings of DND owned inventory?	
What is the date of last stocktaking?	
What accounting method is used by the contractor to value the inventory reported (FIFO, LIFO, historical cost or moving weighted average)?	
Is this a sub-contractor to another company? If so, who?	
DND and Contractor points of contact for the inventory report as at 31 March 20XX.	

NOTES

Note 1: Inventory reports may be subject to audit by the Office of the Auditor General (OAG).

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SOLICITATION (RFP) REMAIN UNCHANGED