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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

Comments - Commentaires

**Vendor/Firm Name and Address
Raison sociale et adresse du
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

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Title - Sujet Chemical Residue Testing Food Prod	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 39903-200178/E	Amendment No. - N° modif. 016
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 39903-200178	Date 2021-08-23
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$ZH-163-39367	
File No. - N° de dossier 163zh.39903-200178	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT on - le 2021-09-15 Heure Avancée de l'Est HAE	
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Specified Herein - Précisé dans les présentes	
Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: MacNeil, Blaine	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur 163zh
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (902) 403-3918 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX () -
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date

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Amendment 016

Please see the following questions and responses, and changes to the tender documents:

Q1: Within Attachment 1 to Part 3 Certifications and Additional Information, at the end of section 1. the following statement is provided:

Education and Experience - The Bidder certifies that all the information provided in the résumés and supporting material submitted with its bid, particularly the information pertaining to education, achievements, experience and work history, has been verified by the Bidder to be true and accurate. Furthermore, the Bidder warrants that every individual proposed by the Bidder for the requirement is capable of performing the Work described in the resulting contract.

Can you please confirm whether staff resumes and supporting documentation pertaining to experience and work history is required to be included in the Bidder's response document? If so, can you please provide the reference as to where this requirement is provided in the RFP documents provided by CFIA? I was unable to find a reference to such a requirement in the provided documents.

Or if by signing Attachment 1 to Part 3, the Bidder certifies that only qualified personnel will be working on the Deliverables pertaining to this contract?

A1: Please see the revised "*Att 1 to Part 3 - Certifications V2*" document that is electronically attached to this amendment. This revised document replaces the original document.

Q2: In Attachment 1 to Part 4 , MT3, there is this mandatory criteria:

To demonstrate accreditation by an accrediting body:

For each test submitted, the Bidder must summarize the accreditation that either has been posted on the website of the accrediting body or has been approved by the accrediting body prior to posting.

Question: are you requesting a summary of the SOP method? Or a summary of the type of accreditation that method has?

A2: CFIA is requesting a summary of the Bidder's accreditation, e.g. is the method included in the scope of accreditation posted on website or approved pending posting.

Q3: Please see the email below as well as the attached photo of the package received 2021Aug11 carrying the requested Test Material to our lab.

The lab is concerned for both sample quantity and quality (due temperature on receipt).

Given the timeframe for results, the lab can test the samples and note these concerns with the results, or can accept replacement samples if preferred.

Please provide permission to proceed with analysis on these samples given these concerns, or confirm that replacement samples will be shipped.

The CFIA test samples arrived by Purolator yesterday, Aug 11 at 8:35am. Sample reception received the box, placed it in the fridge and informed lab staff that it had arrived. At around 9:30am lab staff opened the box and noted two potential issues:

- 1) The samples were not frozen. The temperature of the EBDC(CS2) sample was recorded at 11.4C. The icepacks in the box were still cold at 3.7C but were also not frozen. It was unclear if the homogenized samples were shipped frozen or fresh but cold, but they were definitely not frozen on arrival. This is of significant concern for the EBDC(CS2) sample as we know that EBDC's are unstable and rapidly degrade when a frozen sample is thawed. We are concerned that there may have been significant degradation of EBDC's while in transit. The Pesticides-GC sample was also cold but unfrozen. There is the potential for loss of those analytes, but they are typically more stable in unfrozen samples. Both samples were immediately transferred to a -20C freezer.***
- 2) Both samples were estimated to be ~10g. This is sufficient for the Pesticide-GC method. However, our EBDC(CS2) method (TOPS-119) requires 100g of sample to achieve the stated LOQ for this method. We can analyze this small sample, but LOQ will be inversely impacted.***

Please inform CFIA as to the condition of the samples on arrival and the concern with the amount of EBDC(CS2) sample received. We can test these samples as received, and note these concerns with the results, unless the client would like us to do otherwise.

A3: Please proceed with testing. CFIA will note the concerns and take these into consideration when reviewing the submitted results. Provide the new estimated LOD and LOQ based on the amount of sample tested if different from method.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.