

**SHARED SERVICES CANADA**

**Request for Quotation  
for  
NSSB - Uninterruptible Power Supplies**

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**REQUEST FOR QUOTATION AMENDMENT NO. 004**

Request for Quotation Amendment no. 004 is raised for the following reason

- To address questions pertaining to RFQ requirements
  - To extend Solicitation closing to November 08, 2021(3:00 PM / 15h00)
  - To extend enquiries deadline to November 01, 2021 (11:00 AM / 11h00)
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**Question 014**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex C, Item 20 for the Central UPS Management Software that the number of nodes requested are indeed 250 nodes? The count of the number of UPS / Managed PDU in Annex C adds up to 367 nodes.

**Answer 014**

The pricing per instance (quantity 1) of the Central UPS Management Software is to be scaled at 250 nodes to ensure that all bids are evaluated based on equivalent solutions.

**Question 015**

Does the Crown want to manage existing OEM Branded UPSs and PDUs within the SSC environment using the central management software in this RFQ?

**Answer 015**

There is no mandatory requirement to manage existing devices using the Central UPS Management Software.

**Question 016**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex C, Item 20 for the Central Management Software if they require the network management card firmware upgrade to be done remotely?

**Answer 016**

There is no mandatory requirement to upgrade network management card firmware remotely using the Central Management Software.

**Question 017**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex C, Item 20 for the Central Management Software if they require support access from multiple users and multiple subnet on the network?

**Answer 017**

There is no mandatory requirement for multi-user access to the Central Management Software. The software should be reachable from any subnet that network policies permit traffic to transit to and from.

**Question 018**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex C, Item 20 for the Central Management Software if they require the solution to be able to notify SSC by email alerts and alarms from the UPS and PDU?

**Answer 018**

There is no mandatory requirement for email integration of alerts and alarms for the Central Management Software.

**Question 019**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex C, Item 20.2 for the Central Management Software what version of the Windows Server or VMware compatibility is required (ex: VMware 6.7)?

**Answer 019**

The Central Management Software must be compatible with a currently supported version of Windows Server, or a currently supported version of a commercial Linux operating system (such as Red Hat Enterprise Linux).

**Question 020**

Can the Crown confirm in Annex B if we need to supply pricing on items that do not have a qty beside the line item in this RFQ?

**Answer 020**

All items on Annex B must have a product code identified and be priced so they can be included as part of the financial evaluation. Items not required as part of the initial contract delivery may be part of future contract amendments for additional quantities.

**Question 021**

Has the Crown anticipated pricing fluctuations over the 5 Years +2 Year Options for the NSSB Contract?

**Answer 021**

SSC acknowledges pricing fluctuations can occur over a contract term. Bidder responses should account for perceived risks that result from the specified term.

**Question 022**

Can the Crown confirm the value of the contract over the next 5 Years +2 Year Options for the NSSB Contract?

**Answer 022**

Refer to Part 6 Resulting Contract Clauses; Section 6.2 Option to Purchase Additional Quantities

**Question 023**

Can the Crown confirm that the price submitted for the UPS and EBM should include the 5 Year Warranty or would the Crown want it priced out separately?

**Answer 023**

SSC requires the price of the 5 year warranty to be included as part of any bidder's response. The price can be bundled in the primary device's cost or, preferably, can be itemized separately on a new line with its own product code in Annex B.

**Question 024**

I am writing in regards to the above noted solicitation. Can you please provide a copy?

**Answer 024**

You can download all the documents on Buy and Sell website.

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/procurement-data/tender-notice/PW-21-00971614>

**Question 025**

Please provide an extension of two weeks from closing date, we need more time to submit our best offer.

**Answer**

SSC will extend the solicitation by seven calendar days to give potential bidders more time to prepare their responses. The solicitation will now close on November 8, 2021 at 3:00PM. Questions will be accepted until November 1, 2021 at 11:00AM.



**Modification 003**

On front cover, Closing Date and Time: (referred to in this solicitation as “Solicitation Closing”)

**Delete:** November 01, 2021 (3:00 PM / 15h00)

**Insert:** Monday, November 08, 2021 (3:00 PM / 15h00)

**Modification 004**

On page 9, Part 2 BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS, Section 2.6 Enquiries – Bid Solicitation; **DELETE** in its entirety and **REPLACE** with;

a) Bidders who wish to be certain of receiving a reply must submit all questions to the Contracting Authority, no later than November 01, 2021 (11:00 AM) Eastern Standard Time (EST). Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED**