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Request for Quotation for NSSB - Uninterruptible Power Supplies

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**REQUEST FOR QUOTATION AMENDMENT NO. 005**

Request for Quotation Amendment no. 005 is raised for the following reason

- To address questions pertaining to RFQ requirements
- To extend Solicitation closing period to November 15, 2021(3:00 PM / 15h00)

Question 026

3 Questions related to #1 - Uninterruptible Power Supply - 1500VA
Section 1.5 – The Crown is requesting 2.4meter NEMA 5-15P input power cord while the industry standard is 1.8 meter. Would you consider changing the input power cord distance from 2.4 meter in order to provide the Crown choices for more competitive products that are eliminated by the 2.4meter request?

Answer 026

SSC will not change requirement 1.5. SSC has a requirement to install this category of UPS in 42U racks with top-mounted circuit receptacles. With a bottom-mounted UPS, a 1.8 meter input power cord will not be able to reach the receptacle.

Question 027

Section 1.6 - The Crown is requesting 8 x NEMA 5-15R power outlets while the industry standard is minimum 6 NEMA 5-15R power outlets for a 1500 VA ups due to load constraints. Using 8 power outlets will reduce the Wattage per plug and cause constraints on plugged devices. Would you consider changing the requirement to 6 power outlets?

Answer 027

SSC has revised requirement 1.6 to reduce the minimum number of NEMA 5-15R outlets to 6. While not preferred, SSC will be able to work around circumstances where the UPS has insufficient outlets. Please see revised Annex C.

Question 028

Section 1.9 – Can we provide a rackmount UPS that can be converted to a tower using pedestal feet that will be supplied upon request by SSC? Since Schneider Electric is recognized as the most sustainable corporation in the world we are continually trying to find ways to reduce the impact on the environment. Unused pedestals creates excess waste, harms the environment and would not contribute to the Government of Canada's sustainability mandate.

Answer 028

SSC will accept the proposed approach. However, the product code and price for the pedestal conversion kit must be included in Annex B of the bidder's response for financial evaluation purposes. Should the bidder be identified as the lowest priced compliant bidder, SSC will only include the minimum required quantity of pedestal conversion kits to avoid waste.

Question 029

1 Question related to #2 - Uninterruptible Power Supply - 2000VA
Section 2.5 – The Crown is requesting 2.4meter NEMA 5-15P input power cord while the industry standard is 1.8 meter. Would you consider changing the input power cord distance from 2.4 meter in order to provide the Crown choices for more competitive products that are eliminated by the 2.4 meter request?

Answer 029

SSC will not change requirement 2.5. SSC has a requirement to install this category of UPS in 42U racks with top-mounted circuit receptacles. With a bottom-mounted UPS, a 1.8 meter input power cord will not be able to reach the receptacle.



Question 030

1 Question related to #12 - Power Distribution Unit - 5-15P - Vertical Managed
Section 12.2 – The Crown is requesting 12 xNEMA 5-15R outlets while the industry standard is 8 Outlets. 12 Outlets only allow 120W per plug which limits the devices that could be used and could potentially overload the circuit. Would a PDU with 8 Outlets be acceptable as per industry standard?

Answer 030

SSC has revised requirement 12.2 to reduce the minimum number of NEMA 5-15R outlets to 8. While not preferred, SSC anticipates using the managed power distribution unit primarily for higher wattage devices. Please see revised Annex C.

Question 031

Can you please clarify if we have the opportunity to bid certain categories of the RFQ and win if we have the better price ?

Answer 031

SSC will be awarding only one contract following the solicitation. Bidders must provide a complete response to all SSC technical requirements and deliverables.

Question 032

You mentioned Annex B quantities will be ordered this Government fiscal year and that you will send amendments for future Years. Can you please clarify if the pricing provided in Annex B will need to be protected for 5 Years plus 2 Optional Years?

Answer 032

See Part 6 Resulting Contract Clauses; Section 6.2 Option to Purchase additional Quantities

Question 033

Would the Crown consider postponing the closing date by at least an extras week?

Answer 033

SSC will extend the solicitation by an additional seven calendar days to give potential bidders more time to prepare their responses. The solicitation will now close on November 15, 2021 at 3:00PM. No further extensions will be granted.

Modification 003

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

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

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

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED