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See Section 2.2 Voir Section 2.2

**STANDARD REQUEST FOR BID
INVITATION À SOUMISSIONNER - STANDARD**

The Bidder offers to provide to Canada the goods, services or both listed in the bid solicitation in accordance with the conditions set out in the bid solicitation and the prices set out in the bid.

This bid solicitation is issued in accordance with the conditions of the Supply Arrangement E60PQ-120001/G.

Le soumissionnaire offre de fournir au Canada les biens, services ou les deux énumérés dans la demande de soumissions aux conditions prévues dans la demande de soumissions et aux prix indiqués dans la soumission.

Cette demande de soumissions est émise conformément aux conditions de l'arrangement en matière d'approvisionnement E60PQ-120001/G.

Solicitation No. - N° de la demande R000099480	Amendment No. - N° de modification 3
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Solicitation closes – La demande prend fin : at – à November 30, 2021 on – le 14:00 See Section 2.3 Voir Section 2.3 3	File No. - N° de dossier
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Date of Solicitation – Date de la demande November 26, 2021
Address inquiries to – Adresser toute demande de renseignement à : See Section 6, Article 6.5.1. Voir Section 6, Article 6.5.1
Destination See Annex B Voir Annexe B

Instructions:

Municipal taxes are not applicable.

Unless otherwise specified in the bid solicitation, all prices quoted must be net prices in Canadian funds including Canadian customs duties, excise taxes, must be FOB, including all delivery charges to destination(s) as indicated. The amount for Applicable Taxes is to be shown as a separate item.

Instructions:

Les taxes municipales ne s'appliquent pas.

Sauf indication contraire dans la demande de soumissions, tous les prix indiqués doivent être des prix nets, en dollars canadiens, comprenant les droits de douane canadiens, la taxe d'accise et doivent être FAB, y compris tous frais de livraison à la (aux) destination(s) indiqué(s). Le montant des taxes applicables doit apparaître séparément.

Supplier Name and Address – Nom et adresse du fournisseur
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of supplier (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur (caractère d'impression)
Signature : _____ Date : _____

AMENDMENT 3 is raised to:

1) Respond to questions

QUESTIONS	RESPONSES
<p>Question 1:</p> <p>Are fully assembled chairs required to be in cartons for storage, or is bagged acceptable?</p>	<p>Bagged is acceptable</p>
<p>Question 2:</p> <p>The bid is requesting for a chair back height greater the 26", our back height is 25.19" , would this be accepted?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Question 3:</p> <p>The Chair Builder form indicates the requirement for a Large-Occupant chair, however, the requirement of a 325 lb rating in the Additional Criteria and the seat pan depth in Section E contradict that. SA provisions indicate that if a Large-Occupant chair is solicited, that the chair must meet the BIFMA x5.11 standard which requires that a chair meet the 400 lb rating and be equipped with a 22" wide seat pan, amongst other requirements. Based on these technical details, are we correct in interpreting that SSC merely requires a standard chair with a higher than usual weight rating of 325 lb? If so, please correct the Chair Builder form accordingly.</p> <p>Would SSC accept a chair with a built-in head rest whereby the back, and thus the built-in headrest can be adjusted from 27" to 32.25" in height with the back being able to independently tilt forward or back to accommodate the proper depth of the built-in headrest?</p> <p>Given the higher weight rating requested and the implied larger occupant, would a deeper seat pan depth adjustability range of 17.5" to 20.5" be acceptable as well?</p>	<p>The chair builder will be changed to -rotary chair at 275lbs, but the chairs must be rated for a minimum of 325lbs (See below)</p> <p>No, this will not be accepted.</p> <p>No, the seat pan requires to start at 16.5" with 2 inch adjustment.</p>

<p>Question 4: Can you change the expected delivery date to January 14, 2022?</p>	<p>Yes, the delivery date for the chairs is now January 14, 2022.</p>
<p>Question 5: In respect to the requirement for a high back and adjustable headrest, with a quantity of 200 chairs, for the 90th percentile or approximately 180+ users, 26" back height plus the height of the headrest is not a viable option. Will the CA respectfully accept a back that is 22"H with an easy-to-use ratchet back height adjustment up to 26.25" plus the additional 7" of headrest height and adjustment for those that require a taller back?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Question 6: Large occupant seating along with a minimum weight requirement of 325 lbs requires a larger seat to support this. Will the CA respectfully allow a seat depth adjustment of 17.5" to 20.5" or reduce the minimum weight requirement to 300 lbs to accommodate CSGB standard seat depth?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Question 7: Tilt Mechanism; will buyer accept a SYCRO Tilt Mechanism?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Question 8: Seat Depth : will buyer accept slightly wider depth (16.9- 18.9") ?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Question 9: Question: Could Canada extend the closing date by one week? Background: We assume that Canada is seeking a formal certificate from an independent lab with respect to the 325 lb weight capacity requirement, rather than just a self-issued declaration by a manufacturer that the chair they are bidding is rated for 325 lb. Also, we trust the Canada is aware that some manufacturers may offer warranties for use of a chair for weights up to 325</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted</p>

<p>lb or more, but that such warranties doesn't mean that the chair was formally testes by an independent lab. Rather, such warranties only cover the cost of the chair with no liability for injury, and that the chair may never have been independently tested to be safe and durable when continuously used by a user at 325 lb.</p> <p>The 325 lb weight capacity rating is beyond supply arrangement, CGSB and BIFMA standards. In order to be able to provide a formal independent certification of the increased weight capacity requirement of this solicitation, we have contracted and are awaiting final lab testing results for a seating option which otherwise fully conforms to all the requirements of the solicitation. It's not that the chair we intend to propose cannot handle the weight, but rather simply that it was never formally tested by an independent lab for weights above 300 because that is well beyond industry standards and only addresses an statistically insignificant segment of prospective users, which do not otherwise fit in a "large-occupant chair".</p> <p>We have paid extra to get expedited testing to address this particular solicitation. But in addition to getting timely space in a lab queue, the tests themselves, which comprise multiple repetitions of several movements/positions over various durations, takes several days to physically conduct.</p> <p>We trust that, given the requirement for a weight rating above SA standards, that Canada will judge this request to be reasonable and accept to extend the closing by a week.</p>	
<p>Question 10:</p> <p>Will you be able to give us a 1 week extension for the Bid submission?</p>	<p>No, this will not be accepted</p>

AT ANNEX A

DELETE: In its entirety
INSERT:

ANNEX A

REQUIREMENT



CHAIR TYPE	QTY: 200
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rotary Chair (up to 275 lbs) <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Chair large occupant (up to 400 lbs) <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Stool with backrest	

IMPORTANT:

Canada may request additional information to confirm criteria prior to contract award within a time period specified by the Identified User (IU). Suppliers must provide products that are compliant to the selected "■" Requirement Choices

Criteria <i>Instructions</i>	Requirement Choices
A <i>Headrest</i> choose only 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes – Adjustable and Removable (if applicable, indicate type of adjustment in additional criteria below) Recommended with Standard Back Height <input type="checkbox"/> No
B <i>Backrest Height</i> choose only 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard = height between 450 mm (17.7 in.) to 660 mm (26.0 in.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High = height greater than 660 mm (26.0 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> No preference = minimum height of 450mm (17.0 in.)
B <i>Backrest Profile</i> choose only 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No preference (It is recommended to select "no preference" as profiles do not affect functionality of chair). <input type="checkbox"/> Other = _____ **OVAL SHAPE BACKREST IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION**
C <i>Lumbar Support</i> choose ALL that are acceptable	Adjustable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up/Down = min. 50 mm (2.0 in.) height adjustment between 150mm (5.9 in.) to 250 mm (9.8 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> Other = _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed = between 150 mm (5.9 in.) to 250 mm (9.8 in.) above seat
D <i>Armrests</i> choose ALL that are acceptable	Adjustable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Height adjustable = min. 63 mm (2.5 in.) adjustment between 176 mm (6.9 in.) to 289 mm (11.4 in.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Width adjustable = within the range of 443 mm (17.0 in.) to 493 mm (19.4 in.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pivot adjustable = min. 20 degrees inward and min. 10 degrees outward <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed = height range between 200 mm (7.9 in.) to 250 mm (9.8 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> None
E <i>Seat Depth</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adjustable = min. 50 mm (2.0 in.) adjustment within the range 420 mm (16.5 in.) to 460 mm (18.1 in.)

	choose ALL that are acceptable	<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow = 380 mm (15.0 in.) to 420 mm (16.5 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> Medium = greater than 420 mm (16.5 in.) to 460 mm (18.1 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> Deep = greater than 460 mm (18.1 in.)
F	Seat Width	<u>Refer to chair type above</u> Rotary chairs and stools = min. width of 450 mm (17.7in.) Rotary Large Occupant models = min. width of 560 mm (22.0 in.)	
G	Seat Height choose ALL that are acceptable	Rotary Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adjustable <input type="checkbox"/> Standard = includes 417 mm (16.4 in.) or less to 512 mm (20.2in.) or more <input type="checkbox"/> Low = includes 376 mm (14.8 in.) to 439 mm (17.3 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> Other = _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed = between 417 mm (16.4 in.) to 512 mm (20.2 in.)
		Rotary Stool with backrest	<input type="checkbox"/> Adjustable = includes range from 580 mm (23 in.) to 840 mm (33 in.) <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed = equal or greater than 670 mm (27.5 in)
H	Tilt Mechanism choose only 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Tilt Mechanism seat and backrest adjust together in a ratio that falls within $\geq 1:1$ (includes both Synchro-Tilt and Unison Tilt) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tilt Independently seat and backrest adjust independently of each other <input type="checkbox"/> No preference	
I	Seat and Backrest Locks choose ALL that are acceptable	<input type="checkbox"/> Setup Position = chair locks or stops at one position with seat flat and backrest straight <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multiple Positions = chair locks or stops at multiple positions (including setup position)	
J	Casters	<input type="checkbox"/> carpet <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hard surface	
L	Foot Ring	Standard with stool models only	
	Finishes (Upholstery / Non-Upholstery) choose ALL that are acceptable	Backrest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upholstery <input type="checkbox"/> Other = _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Breathable material (Mesh)
		Seat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upholstery <input type="checkbox"/> Other = _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Breathable material (Mesh)
	Additional Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color for backrest and seat: black • Chairs must be assembled • Armrests must be able to provide height, width and pivot adjustability. • Backrest: oval shape backrest is not an acceptable option. • Rated for minimum 325 pounds • Chair to be easily adjustable from seating position. No tools required. 	