

**ADDENDUM #2**

CDIC RFSA 2020-2842 – 2021 REFRESH

Issued: December 20, 2021

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**1. Title** Information Technology Staff Augmentation and Project Delivery Services

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**2. Questions and Answers** Unless otherwise specified, capitalized words and terms have the meaning set out in the RFSA. All questions were received in English. In the event of any discrepancy, inconsistency or conflicts between the wording of the English or French version of this Addendum #2 or any related documents, the wording of the English version shall prevail.

This Addendum #2 is issued to provide the following response to questions received from Suppliers and amendment(s) to the RFSA referenced above:

**Q6. If qualified SA holders are already qualified on Stream 1, Service Category 2 for Project Management and Service Category 3 for Cyber Security, are they required to submit on this refresh to add the additional 2021 refresh roles to their RFSA?**

**a. If so, do they need to submit a full technical offer including new reference forms?**

**b. Or do they just need to submit a financial offer with the new additional roles?**

A6. Please see the response to question 1 in Addendum #1 dated December 13, 2021, and response to Q7, below and modification in section 3 Amendment in this Addendum# 2.

**Q7. As a follow up question, if you just want to add the new/additional roles for service categories you are already qualified on, do you need to submit a full technical offer including new reference forms for these new roles or do you just need to submit a financial offer with the new additional roles?**

**The RFSA only required Bidders to provide 3 reference forms per service category (not by role) so we just want to clarify what is expected to qualify on the new roles (vs. a service category).**

A7. Existing SA Holders who have qualified in the Initial RFSA for Service Category #2, Project Management and Service Category #3, Cyber Security under Service Stream #1: IT Staff Augmentation Services, do not need to resubmit a Technical Offer for those Service Categories for which they already qualify. In order to qualify for the eight (8) additional Roles, or for any other role not previously qualified for under these Service Categories, SA Holders are required to submit applicable rates by completing an Appendix "D-1" (Financial Offer for Service Stream #1) and Schedule "D" (Financial Offer).

**Q8. I would appreciate your assistance on the following queries:**

- a) **Is this a new initiative? If not, please provide the names of the current vendor(s) providing the services.**
- b) **Can you please let us know the previous spending of this contract?**
- c) **Please confirm if we can get the proposals or pricing of the incumbent(s).**
- d) **Are there any pain points or issues with the current vendor(s)?**
- e) **Please confirm the anticipated number of awards.**

A8. The responses are as follows:

- a) This RFSA 2020-2842 - 2021 Refresh is an annual qualification opportunity following the Initial RFSA issued on October 5, 2020. The award list for the Initial RFSA can be found on Buy and Sell.
- b) CDIC is unable to provide this information.
- c) CDIC is unable to provide this information.
- d) CDIC will not respond.
- e) There is no limit to the number of Suppliers that may be qualified under each Service Stream and/or Service Category for this RFSA refresh.

**Q9. In response to the refresh request for RFSA 2020-2842, will firms be given the opportunity to amend their ceiling rates provided in the most recent bid? With the significant increase in the demand for skilled resources, we would like to better reflect the reality of expected costs for potential candidates.**

A9. No, existing rates cannot be adjusted and are the maximum ceiling rates for the term and option periods, if exercised.

### 3. Amendment

#### 1 **Modification to Schedule "B" (Evaluation and Selection Process).**

Schedule "B" (Evaluation and Selection Process) has been amended to replace the existing language in section B. Subsequent Annual Qualification Opportunities for Supply Arrangements with the following:

**Delete:**

**NOTE TO EXISTING QUALIFIED SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT HOLDERS:**

Qualified Supply Arrangement Holders are not required to resubmit proposals in response to annual qualification opportunities unless such Supply Arrangement Holders are seeking to add one or more roles and/or Service Categories to its Supply Arrangement, in which event, a complete Technical Offer (but limited to those new roles and/or Service Categories) should be submitted for evaluation by CDIC.

**and replace with:**

**NOTE TO EXISTING QUALIFIED SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT HOLDERS:**

Qualified Supply Arrangement Holders are not required to resubmit a Technical Offer in response to annual qualification opportunities unless such Supply Arrangement Holders are seeking to be selected to provide services in Service

Streams and/or Service Categories for which they were not previously qualified under the Initial RSFA.

For additional clarity, existing SA Holders seeking to be selected to provide services in any additional Roles for which they have not previously qualified, are required to provide all applicable rates by fully completing and submitting Appendix "D-1" (Financial Offer for Service Stream #1) and Schedule "D" (Financial Offer). Existing SA Holders seeking to be selected to provide services in any Service Stream and/or Service Category for which they have not previously qualified are required to submit a Technical Offer and a Financial Offer to be given consideration.

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**All other terms of the RFSAs remain unchanged.**

**[END OF ADDENDUM #2]**