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**Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer**

**Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes**

National Individual Standing Offer (NISO)

Offre à commandes individuelle nationale (OCIN)

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

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

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<b>Title - Sujet</b> Ion Scanner	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 21120-206637/A	<b>Date</b> 2022-02-22
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> 3436637	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 005
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> pv890.21120-206637	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$\$PV-890-80765	
<b>Date of Original Request for Standing Offer</b> <b>Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale</b> 2021-12-17	
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> Eastern Standard Time EST <b>on - le 2022-02-28</b> Heure Normale du l'Est HNE	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Hennessey, Lisa	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> pv890
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<b>Security - Sécurité</b> This revision does not change the security requirements of the Offer. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de la présente offre.	

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<b>Acknowledgement copy required</b> <b>Accusé de réception requis</b>	<b>Yes - Oui</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No - Non</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>The Offeror hereby acknowledges this revision to its Offer.</b> <b>Le proposant constate, par la présente, cette révision à son offre.</b>		
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of offeror. (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du proposant. (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
<b>For the Minister - Pour le Ministre</b>		

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Solicitation amendment 005 is raised to answer bidder questions.

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**Q11. The MDL's for both the mandatory and point rated substances are very low and do not realistically reflect how a system would be used in a correctional setting. Correctional environments typically display higher levels of background contamination of drug substances and trace detection systems normally operate with higher alarm thresholds (i.e., with less sensitivity) to take into account the background contamination. Operating in this manner reduces the overall alarm rate of the system and focuses the operators on alarms that should warrant further attention. This is the recommended operating conditions for correctional facilities and we believe this is indeed the case with CSC's current equipment.**

As such, there is no realistic requirement for the listed MDL's as these operating conditions would result in an excess of alarms including false positives. From Section 5, Mandatory Technical Requirements, 5.1.3 Instrument Requirements, 19; it states that in (b) Inmates Mode and (c) Visitors and Bulk Mode the alarm thresholds would be adjusted higher than the MDL's (i.e., making the system less sensitive). We therefore believe there would not be an operating situation where the most sensitive levels (with the listed MDL's) are used.

In summary, we question the requirement for the very low MDL's by industry standards and recommend these be modified as per the following:

- 1) to allow for both a more realistic settings in CSC's operating environment; and
- 2) to allow for further commercial competition as the MDL's listed severely restrict potential suppliers

*Reference: Annex A, paragraph 5.1.3, 19  
Part 4, 4.1.2.2  
Attachment "7", Table 7-1*

A11. CSC is expanding the utilization of ion scanners for various contraband interdiction initiatives. For this reason, the instrument requirements listed at paragraph 19 are deemed accurate, where CSC will be able to adjust the sensitivity mode based on the intended utilization of this tool.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED**