



**RETURN BIDS TO:**

**RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À:**

Bid Receiving - PWGSC / Réception des soumissions -  
TPSGC

11 Laurier St./ 11 rue, Laurier

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Bid Fax: (819) 997-9776

**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT  
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

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

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

**Comments - Commentaires**

**Vendor/Firm Name and Address**

Raison sociale et adresse du  
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur

**Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution**

Scientific, Medical and Photographic Division /  
Division de l'équipement scientifique, des produits  
photographiques et pharmaceutiques  
L'Esplanade Laurier  
140 O'Connor Street,  
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<b>Title - Sujet</b> Dental Probes and Mirrors Dental Probes and Mirrors	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 45045-210097/A	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 001
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> 000012884	<b>Date</b> 2022-03-30
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$\$\$PV-960-81111	
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> pv960.45045-210097	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT <b>on - le 2022-04-19</b> Heure Avancée de l'Est HAE	
<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> Specified Herein - Précisé dans les présentes <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> O'Gorman, Cindy	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> pv960
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (819) 712-1748 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> ( ) -
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b>	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
<b>Vendor/Firm Name and Address</b> <b>Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur</b>	
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> <b>Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur</b>	
<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

Amendment 001 has been raised to modify the Request for Proposal (RFP) as follows in Parts 1, 2 and 3.

**A. At PART 1, DELETE Article 1.3 entirely and INSERT the following:**

**1.3 Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service**

This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled Bid Preparation Instructions, of the bid solicitation, for further information.

**B. At PART 2, Article 2.1, INSERT the following:**

Sections 06, 07, and 08 of 2003 (2020-05-28) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is deleted and replaced with the following:

***06 (xxxx-xx-xx) Late bids***

PWGSC will return or delete bids delivered after the stipulated solicitation closing date and time, unless they qualify as a delayed bid as described in section 07.

For late bids submitted using means other than the Canada Post Corporation's Connect service, the paper bid will be returned.

For bids submitted electronically, the late bids will be deleted. As an example, bids submitted using Canada Post Corporation's Connect service, conversations initiated by the Bid Receiving Unit via the CPC Connect service pertaining to a late bid, will be deleted. Records will be kept documenting the transaction history of all late bids submitted using CPC Connect service.

***07 (xxxx-xx-xx) Delayed bids***

1. A bid delivered to the specified Bid Receiving Unit after the solicitation closing date and time but before the contract award date may be considered, provided the bidder can prove the delay is due solely to a delay in delivery that can be attributed to the Canada Post Corporation (CPC) (or national equivalent of a foreign country). Private courier (Purolator Inc., Fedex Inc., etc.) is not considered to be part of CPC for the purposes of delayed bids.
  - a. The only pieces of evidence relating to a delay in the CPC system that are acceptable to PWGSC are:
    - i. a CPC cancellation date stamp;
    - ii. a CPC Priority Courier bill of lading;
    - iii. a CPC Xpresspost label;

that clearly indicates that the bid was sent no later than the day before the solicitation closing date.

- b. The only piece of evidence relating to a delay in the CPC Connect service provided by CPC system that is acceptable to PWGSC is a CPC Connect service date and time record indicated in the CPC Connect conversation

- history that clearly indicates that the bid was sent before the solicitation closing date and time.
2. Misrouting, traffic volume, weather disturbances, labour disputes or any other causes for the late delivery of bids are not acceptable reasons for the bid to be accepted by PWGSC.
  3. Postage meter imprints, whether imprinted by the Bidder, the CPC or the postal authority outside Canada, are not acceptable as proof of timely mailing.

**08 (xxxx-xx-xx) Transmission by facsimile or by Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service**

1. Facsimile
  - a. Unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by facsimile.
    - i. PWGSC, National Capital Region: The only acceptable facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC headquarters is 819-997-9776 or, if applicable, the facsimile number identified in the bid solicitation.
    - ii. PWGSC regional offices: The facsimile number for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC regional offices is identified in the bid solicitation.
  - b. For bids transmitted by facsimile, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the faxed bid including, but not limited to, the following:
    - i. receipt of garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
    - ii. availability or condition of the receiving facsimile equipment;
    - iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
    - iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
    - v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
    - vi. illegibility of the bid; or
    - vii. security of bid data.
  - c. A bid transmitted by facsimile constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.
2. Canada Post Corporation's Connect service
  - a. Unless specified otherwise in the bid solicitation, bids may be submitted by using the Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation.
    - i. PWGSC, National Capital Region: The only acceptable email address to use with CPC Connect for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC headquarters is: [tpsgc.pareceptiondессoumissions-apbidReceiving.pwgsc@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:tpsgc.pareceptiondессoumissions-apbidReceiving.pwgsc@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca), or, if applicable, the email address identified in the bid solicitation.
    - ii. PWGSC regional offices: The only acceptable email address to use with CPC Connect for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC regional offices is identified in the bid solicitation.
  - b. To submit a bid using CPC Connect service, the Bidder must either:
    - i. send directly its bid only to the specified PWGSC Bid Receiving Unit, using its own licensing agreement for CPC Connect provided by Canada Post Corporation; or
    - ii. send as early as possible, and in any case, at least six business days prior to the solicitation closing date and time, (in order to ensure a response), an email that includes the bid solicitation number to the specified PWGSC Bid Receiving Unit requesting to open a CPC Connect conversation. Requests to open an CPC-Connect conversation received after that time may not be answered.

- c. If the Bidder sends an email requesting CPC Connect service to the specified Bid Receiving Unit in the bid solicitation, an officer of the Bid Receiving Unit will then initiate an CPC Connect conversation. The CPC Connect conversation will create an email notification from Canada Post Corporation prompting the Bidder to access and action the message within the conversation. The Bidder will then be able to transmit its bid afterward at any time prior to the solicitation closing date and time.
- d. If the Bidder is using its own licensing agreement to send its bid, the Bidder must keep the CPC Connect conversation open until at least 30 business days after the solicitation closing date and time.
- e. The bid solicitation number should be identified in the CPC Connect message field of all electronic transfers.
- f. It should be noted that the use of CPC Connect service requires a Canadian mailing address. Should a bidder not have a Canadian mailing address, they may use the Bid Receiving Unit address specified in the solicitation in order to register for the CPC Connect service.
- g. For bids transmitted by CPC Connect service, Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the bid including, but not limited to, the following:
  - i. receipt of a garbled, corrupted or incomplete bid;
  - ii. availability or condition of the CPC Connect service;
  - iii. incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
  - iv. delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
  - v. failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
  - vi. illegibility of the bid;
  - vii. security of bid data; or
  - viii. inability to create an electronic conversation through the CPC Connect service.
- h. The Bid Receiving Unit will send an acknowledgement of the receipt of bid document(s) via the CPC Connect conversation, regardless of whether the conversation was initiated by the supplier using its own license or the Bid Receiving Unit. This acknowledgement will confirm only the receipt of bid document(s) and will not confirm if the attachments may be opened nor if the content is readable.
- i. Bidders must ensure that they are using the correct email address for the Bid Receiving Unit when initiating a conversation in CPC Connect or communicating with the Bid Receiving Unit and should not rely on the accuracy of copying and pasting the email address into the CPC Connect system.
- j. A bid transmitted by CPC Connect service constitutes the formal bid of the Bidder and must be submitted in accordance with section 05.

**C. At PART 2, DELETE Article 2.2 entirely and INSERT the following:**

## **2.2 Submission of Bids**

Bids must be submitted electronically either through Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service or Facsimile to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit, as specified below, by the date, and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

PWGSC Bid Receiving Unit

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Facsimile number: (819) 997-9776

CPC Connect service: [tpsgc.pareceptiondessoumissions-apbidreceiving.pwgsc@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:tpsgc.pareceptiondessoumissions-apbidreceiving.pwgsc@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

**Note:** Bids will not be accepted if emailed directly to this email address. This email address is to be used to open a CPC Connect conversation, as detailed in Standard Instructions 2003, or to send bids through a CPC Connect message if the bidder is using its own licensing agreement for CPC Connect service.

No bid shall be sent directly to the PWGSC Contracting Authority.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, hard copy bids (paper or soft copies on media) submitted to PWGSC will not be accepted.

**D. At PART 3, DELETE Article 3.1 entirely and INSERT the following:**

**3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions**

Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in accordance with section 08 of the 2003 standard instructions. The CPC Connect system has a limit of 1GB per single message posted and a limit of 20GB per conversation.

Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid

Section II: Financial Bid

Section III: Certifications

If the Bidder is simultaneously providing copies of its bid using multiple acceptable delivery methods, and if there is a discrepancy between the wording of any of these copies and the electronic copy provided through CPC Connect service, the wording of the electronic copy provided through CPC Connect service will have priority over the wording of the other copies.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, hard copy bids (paper or soft copies on media) will not be accepted.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that Bidders use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST  
FOR PROPOSAL REMAIN UNCHANGED.**