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This amendment 001 is raised for the following reasons:

- 1) To amend to bid solicitation closing date from 10 June 2022 to 17 June 2022.
- 2) To provide the following Questions and Answers:

Question 1:

May we know the reason(s) why an equivalent or better headset is not acceptable?

Answer 1:

Equivalent Products will be accepted in accordance with Clause B3000T (2006-06-16)

1. Products that are equivalent in form, fit, function and quality to the item(s) specified in the bid solicitation will be considered where the Bidder:
  - a. designates the brand name, model and/or part number of the substitute product;
  - b. states that the substitute product is fully interchangeable with the item specified;
  - c. provides complete specifications and descriptive literature for each substitute product;
  - d. provides compliance statements that include technical specifics showing the substitute product meets all mandatory performance criteria that are specified in the bid solicitation; and
  - e. clearly identifies those areas in the specifications and descriptive literature that support the substitute product's compliance with any mandatory performance criteria.
2. Products offered as equivalent in form, fit, function and quality will not be considered if:
  - a. the bid fails to provide all the information requested to allow the Contracting Authority to fully evaluate the equivalency of each substitute product; or
  - b. the substitute product fails to meet or exceed the mandatory performance criteria specified in the bid solicitation for that item.
3. In conducting its evaluation of the bids, Canada may, but will have no obligation to, request bidders offering a substitute product to demonstrate, at the sole cost of bidders, that the substitute product is equivalent to the item specified in the bid solicitation.

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- 3) To include Clause B3000T Equivalent Products at Part 2.12 Resulting Contract Clauses of the amendment 001 RFP.
- 4) To remove the following on the NPP: requirement for the Equivalent or Substitute products will not be considered in this process.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.**