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**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: - Commentaries :

Title – Sujet Ballistic Blanket System		Date August 12, 2022
Solicitation No. – N° de l'invitation M5000-21-4048/A		Amendment No. – N° de la modification 004
Client Reference No. - No. De Référence du Client M5000-21-4048		
Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin		
At / à :	14 :00	Mountain Daylight Time (MDT)
On / le :	August 24, 2022	
F.O.B. – F.A.B	GST – TPS	Duty – Droits
Destination of Goods and Services – Destinations des biens et services See herein — Voir aux présentes		
Instructions See herein — Voir aux présentes		
Address Inquiries to – Adresser toute demande de renseignements à Jose Maldonado jose.maldonado@rcmp-grc.gc.ca		
Telephone No. – No. de téléphone 780-670-8693		Facsimile No. – No. de télécopieur 780-454-4523

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



This amendment is raised to address the following:

- Respond to questions received from suppliers; and
- Revise the solicitation document accordingly

Solicitation M5000-21-4048/A is amended as follows:

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question 6:

1. Reference answer 1, Can the government confirm they ONLY want Level III with no additional special threat rounds (i.e. M855 and/or Type 56 MSC)?

Answer 6:

The product offered must meet minimum NIJ Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) and stated in Amendment 004 - SOLICITATION REVISIONS: Annex A – 2.1, 4.4.3, 4.4.4, 5.1, and Annex C – 6.2.

NIJ threat levels that exceed NIJ Threat Level III will also be considered.

Question 7:

2. Reference answer 1, if the government will accept level III as well as Level III+, would they consider using a weighted scoring system? (i.e. If the government were to receive an offer a Level III+ shield to defeat M855 and Type 56 MSC threat).

Answer 7:

The basis of selection will remain unchanged. Please refer to 4.2 Basis of Selection of PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION.

Question 8:

3. Reference answer 3, If the government is willing to accept level III+, could they clarify which special threat rounds they expect this system to defeat. This is the only way we can accurately bid the correct product.

Answer 8:

Please refer to Answer 6.

Question 9:

4. Reference answer 4, Can the government confirm that they are stating that “+” means multi strike? Our stance is the “+” means additional threats above and beyond Level III.

Answer 9:

For the purpose of this solicitation, I confirm that “+” was initially included in the wording used to describe the desired NIJ threat level. However, it was determined during this solicitation process that “+” required clarification. This clarification was published in answers and revisions listed Amendment 002.



With regard to the vendor stance noted above, the Technical Authority considers this understanding. As a result, the revisions listed in Answer 6 will take effect.

Question 10:

5. Reference answer 5, the government states it must be certified NIJ Level III+, but it contradicts the government answers provided in answer 1 & 2 where it states it must meet NIJ Level III. Ours is certified level III plus two additional threat levels (in other words Level III+).

Answer 10:

Please refer to Answer 6.

Question 11:

6. Reference answer 5 and the second answer 4, the government again states that the plus indicates the panels/blankets being able to receive multiple strikes at NIJ level III. We believe that this is an inaccurate description of the terminology plus with respect to ballistic protection.

Answer 11:

Please refer to Answer 9.

Question 12:

7. Reference the second answer 5, The government again refers to Threat level III+ but still hasn't provide what these special threat rounds are. It also again refers to the plus being multi hit and not special threat.

Answer 12:

Please refer to Answer 6.



SOLICITATION REVISIONS

1) Annex "A" REQUIREMENT – 2. Deliverables:

DELETE:

- 2.1 Each Ballistic blanket System must consist of 5 NIJ Level III certified panels and all panel attachment accessories.

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2) Annex "A" REQUIREMENT – 4.4 Ballistic Panels:

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- 4.4.3 Each ballistic panel must meet Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

Link: [Active NIJ Standards and Comparative Test Methods | National Institute of Justice \(ojp.gov\)](#)

- 4.4.4 Each Ballistic Blanket System must meet Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

[Active NIJ Standards and Comparative Test Methods | National Institute of Justice \(ojp.gov\)](#)

- 4.4.5 Each ballistic panel must be capable of maintaining its integrity after receiving multiple strikes at NIJ Level III

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- 4.4.3 Each ballistic panel must meet minimum Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

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- 4.4.4 Each Ballistic Blanket System must meet minimum Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

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4.4.5 Each ballistic panel must be capable of maintaining its integrity after receiving multiple strikes at minimum NIJ Level III

3) Annex "A" REQUIREMENT – 5. Certifications:

DELETE:

5.1 One (1) copy of certification must be included for each ballistic panel or blanket system to prove that it meets Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), or it must be provided within 5 (five) days upon the request of the Contracting Authority.

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4) Annex "C" MANDATORY TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA – 6. Compliance Matrix

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2.	<p>Each ballistic panel and as an assembled Ballistic Blanket System must meet Threat Level III as established by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).</p> <p>Link:</p> <p><u>Active NIJ Standards and Comparative Test Methods National Institute of Justice (ojp.gov)</u></p>			
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ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN.

