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Title - Sujet Invitation to Qualify (ITQ) Modern Log and Event Management (MLEM) Solution	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EP750-220056/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 001
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client EP750-220056	Date 2022-08-31
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Amendment 001 is raised to:

- .1 Extend the closing date of the Tender Notice - Notice of Proposed Procurement (NPP) from “Friday September 16, 2022 at 14:00 EDT” to “Monday October 3, 2022 at 14:00 EDT”**
- .2 address the following questions:**

QUESTION AND ANSWER SERIES 1:

- Q1.** This is in regard to the Mandatory Evaluation Criteria E5.9: Cloud base solution must hold the following certifications:
- ISO 27001 Certification
 - Service Organization Control (SOC) 2 Type II

Should these certifications be in place prior to ITQ Phase 1 closing date?

- A1.** Yes. Refer to Invitation to Qualify document, section 3.3.2 Responses to the Qualification Requirements at Annex B – Mandatory Evaluation Criteria at ITQ Closing

Vendors must demonstrate all mandatory requirements before closing of ITQ Phase 1. Vendors that do not meet mandatory requirements in Phase 1 will not be accepted in Phase 2.

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- Q2.** In this RFP we see the certification requirements as highlighted below. The Crown is asking for SOC Type II and ISO 27001 certification. Would the Crown accept a Protected B environment that is currently being used by the Federal Government in lieu of these certifications?

E5.9	Cloud Security Certifications	Phase 1	Mandatory	Cloud base solution must hold the following certifications: - ISO 27001 Certification - Service Organization Control (SOC) 2 Type II	Compliant / Non-Compliant
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- A2.** No, the SOC Type II and ISO 27001 security certifications are mandatory.

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Q3. These are in regards to companies outside of Canada.

Q 3.1. Whether companies from Outside Canada can apply for this? (like, from India or USA)

A 3.1. Yes

Q 3.2. Whether we need to come over there for meetings?

A 3.2. This requirement is still being defined and the requirement for on-site presence vs virtual will be provided during the solicitation process.

Q 3.3. Can we perform the tasks (related to RFP) outside Canada? (like, from India or USA)

A 3.3. Yes.

Q 3.4. Can we submit the proposals via email?

A 3.4. Refer to Invitation to Qualify document, Section 2.2 Submission of Response

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Q4. This is in regard to ANNEX A – Statement of Requirements, Section A – STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS reference numbers E4.1 and E4.2:

Q 4.1. Given that today most modern and market-leading log and event management solutions are being offered in a cloud-based, SaaS model, would PSPC consider modifying these requirements to enable vendors with cloud only offerings to respond to the ITQ?

A 4.1 Canada will not change their mandatory solution delivery requirements. On-premises and Cloud base solutions is required to meet our log management and security requirements.

Q 4.2. Allowing cloud only offerings will result in PSPC receiving quality, market-leading solutions to consider that will significantly expand PSPC's monitoring insight, as well as help PSPC reach its stated desired outcomes for this initiative. Would PSPC consider modifying these requirements to enable vendors with cloud only offerings to respond to the ITQ?

A 4.2 Canada will not change their mandatory solution delivery requirements. On-premises and Cloud base solutions is required to meet our log management and security requirements.

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Q5. Given the extensive list of Mandatory criteria to be substantiated in sufficient depth within Annex B – Mandatory Evaluation Criteria and given that these next two weeks are the last weeks of the holiday season, will Canada provide a two-week extension to ensure our resources have sufficient time to review and respond? Would PSPC consider modifying these requirements to enable vendors with cloud only offerings to respond to the ITQ?

A5. A two-week extension has been granted as part of Amendment 001.

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Q6. Relative to the RFP in subject, we have the following inquiry:

Q 6.1. It states you're simply looking for a solution – Would you be open to receiving a submission detailing a managed offering for this prequalification?

A 6.1. The client is not looking for a managed offering.

Q 6.2. We would also need the following detail in order to properly scope this solicitation:

	TYPE(S)	COUNT
Workstation		0
FIM Agent (LPA)		0
Servers Windows		0
Servers Linux/Unix		0
Hypervisor		0
Network Devices		0
NetFlow		0
Firewall Remote office/site		0

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Firewall Datacenter		0
User based		Users
Security Endpoint (e.g. AV)		0
SaaS Platforms (e.g. O365)		0
Security platform (e.g. 2FA)		0
Security platform (e.g. Web proxy)		0

A 5.2. This level of detail will not be provided during the ITQ Phase 1. The vendors should refer to the Data source integration section to confirm if they are able to meet “Native application connectors to extend the capability of the solution” requirement which identifies five technologies.

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