

Notice of Proposed Procurement (NPP) Template

1. This NPP is issued pursuant to PWGSC Supply Arrangement (SA) # E60PQ-140003/C and covers a requirement from the following Product Category(ies) of the SA:

- Product Category 2 - **Freestanding Height Adjustable Desk/Table Products;**
- This requirement also contains products that are NON-SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT.

2. *Publics Services and Procurement Canada* has a requirement for the purchase, delivery of office furniture to *Matane, Quebec* by *January 31, 2023*.

3. This NPP covers a requirement to be solicited amongst the PSAB stream of Suppliers (SA holders).

4. This requirement is subject to the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA), the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA).

4. This procurement is set aside under the federal government's Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business. This procurement is set aside from the international trade agreements under the provision each has for set-asides for small and minority businesses. Further to Article 800 of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA), CFTA does not apply to this procurement.

5. The bid solicitation is also open to suppliers who are not Supply Arrangement (SA) holders. In order for new suppliers to bid on this solicitation, the new supplier must first qualify for a SA. The process to qualify for a SA is detailed in RFSA # E60PQ-140003/C and can be found on the Government Electronic Tendering Service (GETS - <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/procurement-data/tenders>). Canada is not required to delay the award of a resulting contract pending the evaluation of an arrangement and issuance of a SA by the PWGSC Supply Arrangement Authority.

Annex E - Standard REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)



Public Works and
Government Services
Canada

Travaux publics et
Services gouvernementaux
Canada

RETURN BIDS TO:

RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À:

Bid Receiving Public Works and Government Services
Canada/Réception des soumissions Travaux Publics et Services
gouvernementaux Canada
C.P. 1000 ,150 Boulevard Dion, Matane, Québec
G4W 4N3
Bid Fax : (418) 566-7149

STANDARD REQUEST FOR BID

INVITATION À SOUMISSIONNER - STANDARD

The Bidder offers to provide to Canada the goods, services or both listed in the bid solicitation in accordance with the conditions set out in the bid solicitation and the prices set out in the bid.

This bid solicitation is issued in accordance with the conditions of the Supply Arrangement E60PQ-140003/PQ.

Le soumissionnaire offre de fournir au Canada les biens, services ou les deux énumérés dans la demande de soumissions aux conditions prévues dans la demande de soumissions et aux prix indiqués dans la soumission.

Cette demande de soumissions est émise conformément aux conditions de l'arrangement en matière d'approvisionnement E60PQ-140003/PQ.

Solicitation No. - N° de la demande 20231283	Amendment No. - N° de modification
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Solicitation closes – La demande prend fin : at – à 02 :00 PM on – le 2022-11-07	File No. - N° de dossier PW-22-01011136
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Date of Solicitation – Date de la demande

October 25, 2022

Address inquiries to – Adresser toute demande de renseignement à :

See Section 2, Article 4.1.

Voir Section 2, Article 4.1

Destination

PUBLICS WORKS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES CANADA / TRAVAUX
PUBLICS ET SERVICES GOUVERNEMENTAUX CANADA
Direction générale de l'administration de la paye (DGAP) / Pay
Administration Branch
150 Boulevard Dion, Matane, Québec G4W 4N3

Instructions:

Municipal taxes are not applicable.

Unless otherwise specified in the bid solicitation, all prices quoted must be net prices in Canadian funds including Canadian customs duties, excise taxes, must be FOB, including all delivery charges to destination(s) as indicated. The amount for Applicable Taxes is to be shown as a separate item.

Instructions:

Les taxes municipales ne s'appliquent pas.

Sauf indication contraire dans la demande de soumissions, tous les prix indiqués doivent être des prix nets, en dollars canadiens, comprenant les droits de douane canadiens, la taxe d'accise et doivent être FAB, y compris tous frais de livraison à la (aux) destination(s) indiqué(s). Le montant des taxes applicables doit apparaître séparément.

Supplier Name and Address – Nom et adresse du fournisseur

Telephone No. - N° de téléphone

Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur

Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of supplier (type or print)

Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur (caractère d'impression)

Signature : _____ Date : _____

Section 1 – Invitation and Instructions to Bidders

Section 2 – Resulting Contract including a list of required goods and services

SECTION 1 – INVITATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Step 1. For Tier 2 and Tier 3 only (If Tier 1, skip this step and proceed with step 2)

Step 2. Competitive or Non-Competitive

For competitive Requirements when more than one bid is received:

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated price will be recommended for award of a contract.

For Competitive Requirements when only one bid is received:

The Bidder must provide the following information AFTER bid closing, if requested to do so by Canada:

- One or more of the following price justifications:
 1. a current published price list indicating the percentage discount available to Canada; or
 2. a copy of paid invoices for the like quality and quantity of the goods, services or both sold to other customers; or
 3. a price breakdown showing the cost of direct labour, direct materials, purchased items, engineering and plant overheads, general and administrative overhead, transportation, etc., and profit; or
 4. any other supporting documentation as requested by Canada.

For Non-Competitive Requirements:

The Bidder must provide the following information WITH the bid:

- One or more of the following price justifications:
 1. a current published price list indicating the percentage discount available to Canada; or
 2. a copy of paid invoices for the like quality and quantity of the goods, services or both sold to other customers; or
 3. a price breakdown showing the cost of direct labour, direct materials, purchased items, engineering and plant overheads, general and administrative overhead, transportation, etc., and profit; or
 4. any other supporting documentation as requested by Canada.

Step 3. General or PSAB

For PSAB procurement:

Canadian Content

(The following only applies only to procurements for which Acquisitions Branch (AB) or Acquisitions Program (P) of Public Works and Government Services Canada is the Contracting Authority.)

The Supplier should propose conforming products(s) denoted as “Canadian Content” in the Supplier’s SA. Canada may preference all bids containing products(s) with this designation. *(Refer to WTCM for further information)*

Terms of the RFB:

This RFB is issued pursuant to the Supplier’s Furniture for Workspaces Supply Arrangement (SA) that forms part of the series of SAs issued by PWGSC with the number E60PQ-140003/PQ. The terms and conditions in the Supplier’s SA apply to and form part of this RFB. Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by those terms and conditions as well as the terms and conditions in this RFB.

The WTCM is the Workspaces Terms and Conditions Manual that contains all terms and conditions in full text that form part of individual RFBs under this SA.

The Bidder must provide the following information WITH the bid:

- The information requested by Canada in Annex A herein.

The Bidder must also provide the information at article 4 below at the time indicated in article 3.

Bid Evaluation

An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

RFB Issued by:	
Identified User’s (IU) Department/Agency/Crown Corporation: Contact for this RFB:	See Section 2, article 4.1 below.
RFB Closing - Submit Bid:	
Bids must be submitted on the date and at the time indicated below.	
By no later than date and time:	a. November 07, 2022 b. 2:00pm EDS
To physical location (if applicable)	
To e-mail address (if applicable)	Isabelle.charette@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca
Additional Bid Submission option epost Connect service:	
RFB Enquiries	
Unless a different period is listed in the adjacent column, Bidders may submit enquires about the RFB to the Contracting Authority two business days prior to the RFB closing date. Enquiries received after the timeline indicated may not be answered.	___10___ business days

SECTION 2 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

1.	Terms and Conditions of the Contract The terms and conditions of Parts 6B and 6C of the Supplier’s SA within the series E60PQ-140003/PQ apply to and form part of this Contract.
2.	Security Requirement (the checked article applies)
2.1	The applicable security requirement(s) is (are) set out in the Security Requirement Check List attached as Annex B of this contract. The Contractor must fulfill the security requirements by meeting the terms below.

	a.		Contractor may be escorted; possession of security clearance not required. Contractor personnel MAY NOT ENTER NOR PERFORM WORK ON sites where PROTECTED or CLASSIFIED information or assets are kept, without an escort provided by the department or agency for which the work is being performed.
	b.		Possession of security clearance(s) is required. The Contractor must meet the security clearance requirements contained in the clausing in Annex B herein.
	c.	X	There is no security requirement associated with this contract.
3.	Requirement		
3.1	The Contractor must perform the Work listed in Annex A herein.		
4.	Authorities		
4.1	Contracting Authority (IU)		
	Name:	Isabelle Charette	
	Title:	Supply Specialist	
	Department/Agency/Crown Corporation:	Public Services and Procurement Canada	
	Address:	150 Boulevard Dion C.P. 1000 Matane (Quebec) G4W 4N3	
	Telephone No.:	418-556-9439	
	E-mail address:	Isabelle.charette@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca	
4.2	<p>Project Authority [To be completed at contract award] <i>The Project Authority (PA) is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract including the provision to approve the authority to proceed for delivery and installation and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract.</i></p> <p><i>In addition, the PA is also responsible for ensuring that the Supplier's employees and subcontractors requiring access to the site adhere to the allocated time for the Supplier to access the site to deliver and install the furniture in accordance with the master schedule held by the General Contractor (a representative of Canada or a service provider(s) under contract with the Government of Canada).</i></p>		
	Name:		
	Title:		
	Department/Agency/Crown Corporation:		
	Address:		
	Telephone No.:		
	E-mail address:		
4.3	Contractor's Representative		
	As set out in Annex A, Table 9 below.		
5.	Method of Payment		
	The checked box applies. If the Contractor's SA indicates acceptance for payment by credit card, that method may be used in conjunction with the following.		
	X	Single Payment	
		Multiple Payment	
6.	Invoicing		
	Further to the Invoicing terms of the WTCM document, the Contractor will deliver the original and one copy of the invoice to the following address for certification and payment:		
	Name of the organization and contact: <i>[To be completed at contract award]</i>		
	Address:		
7.	Defence Contract. This clause applies if the box below is checked.		

The Contract is a defence contract within the meaning of the [Defence Production Act](#), R.S.C. 1985, c. D-1.

ANNEX A

REQUIREMENT and BASIS OF PAYMENT

1. IU to complete an Annex A for each category with the exception of the rules specified herein.
2. For Tier 2 and 3 competitive requirements, Conforming Suppliers must acquire the bid solicitation document from GETS and IUs are not to identify the Conforming Suppliers in the solicitation or NPP.

1. Category Selection

Combined Categories Rule:

For reasons of compatibility, the following categories will be combined for evaluation and contract award purposes:

The rule only applies to the categories below that are checked. The unchecked categories will be evaluated separately and may be awarded to multiple suppliers;

(IU must identify which of the following categories will be combined for reasons of compatibility)

- Category 1
- Category 1 - The products that are not available as part of a SA included in this statement of need can be found in Annex C of this solicitation
- Category 2
- Category 5

*** Exception: when using the Cat 1, 2, 5 combined categories rule, IU's may calculate the percentage of NSA product allowed (as defined in their solicitation document) against the total quantity of the combined categories.**

Design Upgrade Rule:

The IU may exercise an option to upgrade products up to 20% of each Category product total before Applicable Taxes after contract award.

The Design Upgrade amount is used at the discretion of the Project Authority (PA) **prior to the manufacturing/ordering of the products**, the PA will provide the Contractor with a written notice of Canada's Design Upgrade choices for each of the product(s) to be upgraded. The Contractor will provide the pricing of the upgraded product(s) to a maximum of 20% of each Category Contract Price of Table 8. The Contracting Authority will issue an amendment to the contract with the Design Upgrades and pricing.

The Supplier certifies that all the Design Upgraded products offered will conform to all specifications and meet the testing requirements detailed in the Specifications of the Supply Arrangement.

Design Upgrade: is the process of replacing a product with a more innovative or enhanced version of the same product.

NSA:

NSA products can be incorporated in the RFB and must not exceed 30% of the firm quantity by category. NSA items must be added to the category that is most closely related and must be generic.

The requirement includes the following category (ies) of work:

a. Category 1 – Interconnecting Panels and Freestanding Systems

- Category 1a – Interconnecting Panels (Refer to Annex C)
- Category 1b – Supporting components and freestanding furniture

RULE: Metal Storage

Identified Users may procure metal storage products forming part of Category 1 when the metal storage products will be part of a requirement for a workstation(s)/work point(s). If this rule does not apply, Category 3 must be used for the metal storage products forming part of this category.

- b. Category 2 – Freestanding Height Adjustable Desk / Table Products
- c. Category 3 – Metal Filing and Storage Cabinets

RULE: High Storage Products

Identifying the maximum height of the Personal Storage Towers, Wardrobes and Storage Cabinets is acceptable as per 6B. 4.1 of the SA.

Maximum Height for product #(s) _____ at article 3 of this Annex is _____.

- d. Category 4 – Wood Veneer – Freestanding Products
- e. Category 5 – Ancillary and Lighting Products
- f. Category 6 - Support Space – Collaborative Furniture

RULE: Category 6 can be further subdivided by space or like product in order to increase or allow competition. Space is defined as a location available for a particular purpose such as a meeting room space or a collaborative space. Like products are defined as products with similar design and construction. If NSA products form part of the requirement, the IU must validate the 30% NSA prior to subdividing the category. NSA products can be added to any subdivide or in its own subdivide.

The IU must identify how Category 6 will be subdivided in the Product Table for Category 6.

- g. NSA Product(s) – Category(ies): _Electricity: power supply + pole and duplex

2. Product and Pricing Tables

Site Inspection Date: To be coordinated with Project Authority after contract award. (Refer to Annex A article 4 of the SA for Site Inspection and Documentation instructions.)

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS: Bidders are to complete Sections B of the tables identified by the IU in this article as well as Tables 8 and 9. **Bidders must provide a complete product offering for each category, or CAT 6 sub-divide they wish to submit a bid in order to be compliant.**

Refer to article 6A.7 for instructions on how to submit products that are not approved in product listing.

In a resulting contract, the term “Bid” means the Supplier’s commitment, the term “Bidder” means “Contractor”.

Product Category (ies): 2

Table 1 – Product Table

Section A - IU REQUIREMENT				Section B – SUPPLIER’S BID		
#	GoCUID	Description of Product <i>(Additional product details may be inserted, if required as per 6B. 4.1 of the SA)</i>	Qty	Supplier Part Number	Firm Unit Price** \$	Extended Total [Qty x Price] \$
Category 2						
6	2WSSREXXL30L60BELXX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electric Sit Stand Table rectangular 30x60/ • Sit / stand height: 23 to 48.7 inches • High pressure laminate • Top : Maple • Black color foot • With space to attach wires 	40		\$	\$
<p>NSA products <i>(must not exceed 30% of the firm quantity by category)</i></p> <p>The Supplier signs, and certifies that all the NSA products offered will conform to all specifications and meet the testing requirements detailed at Annex D.</p>						

Table 2 - Delivery

Section A - IU REQUIREMENT				Section B – SUPPLIER’S BID	
Product Item # from Table 1	Location	Desired Date** (Y/M/D)	Desired Time: Normal Business Hours Or Outside Normal Business Hours *	Supplier will supply and deliver as per below**	Firm Lot Price \$
1 to 10	PSPC Matane 150 Boulevard Dion Matane (Québec) G4W 4N3	2023-01-31	Normal working hours: 7:30 to 15:00 Delivery only, no installation	_____ : weeks <i>Standard Lead time is between 6-10 weeks for furniture delivery and installation.</i>	\$

<p>*Normal Business Hours 8:00 – 17:00, as per SA, Annex A, article 5</p> <p>**The Project Authority (PA) will provide the supplier the authority to proceed prior to the finalized delivery date taking into consideration the delivery time provided by the supplier. Canada will not be responsible if the supplier chooses to proceed without the PA authorization.</p>	<p>Delivery Total: \$</p>	
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Table 3 – Installation Not Applicable

Table 4 – Optional Product Not Applicable

Table 5 – Optional Delivery Not Applicable

Table 6 – Optional Installation Not Applicable

Table 7 – Standard Finishes and Canada’s Facilities to Accommodate the Delivery and Certifications

1.	Standard Finishes	
1.1	<p>IU is to consult the Supplier’s Website identified in Part 6A of the SA to view the available finishes.</p> <p>Within ten business days of the contract award, the Project Authority will provide the Contractor with a written notice of Canada’s finish choices for each of the product(s) in Annex A.</p> <p>The Contractor will deliver the products corresponding to Canada’s choice of specific finishes(s). No additional charge will be applied to Canada.</p>	
2.	Canada’s Facilities to Accommodate the Delivery	
	<p><i>The Supplier’s employees and subcontractors requiring access to the site must adhere to the health and safety plans established for the site, in addition to any laws in effect in the jurisdiction where the work is being performed.</i></p> <p><i>During the period of the contract, a representative of Canada or a service provider(s) under contract with the Government of Canada may request the list of employees and subcontractors requiring access to the site to perform the work and their security statuses. Information must be provided in the timeframe prescribed in order to ensure that the supply, delivery and installation of the furniture aligns with the master schedule.</i></p>	
2.1	Loading Dock/Location	
A	Location	<p>PSPC Matane 150 Boulevard Dion Matane (Québec) G4W 4N3</p> <p>The loading zone is located at the back of the building. Normal hours of operation are from 7:30am to 3:00pm</p>
B	Dock	It is a loading zone there is one dock
C	Lift	There is no lift
D	Door	The door is 41" wide and 82" high
E	Freight Elevator	No
F	Other (specify, if any)	Own one forklift
3.	Continuance of Certifications	
	<p>The Bidder certifies that by submitting a bid in response to the RFB, the Bidder, and any of the Bidder’s members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, continues to comply with all of the following certifications listed in Parts 6A and 6B of the Bidder’s SA for Work Spaces.</p>	

	Canada may request copies of environmental certification(s) prior to contract award within a time period specified by the Identified User.
3.1	Integrity Provisions
3.2	Federal Contractor's Program for Employment Equity
3.4	Product Conformance
3.5	Price Certification (In accordance with the SA, Part 6B)

Table 8 - Bid Evaluation and Contract Total for CATEGORY 2 (Canada may complete if not completed by the Bidder)

1	Firm Product Total (Table 1)	\$
2	Firm Delivery Total (Table 2)	\$
3	Firm Installation Total (Table 3)	\$
4	Optional Product Total (Table 4) (Applicable if Option is exercised)	n/a
5	Optional Delivery Total (Table 5) (Applicable if Option is exercised)	n/a
6	Optional Installation Total (Table 6) (Applicable if Option is exercised)	n/a
7	Hardware Total as per article 1.5 of Annex A-1 of SA (if Applicable)	\$
8	Total Evaluated (Bid) Price* (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6+ 7) [to be removed at contract award]	\$
9	Contract Price(1+2+3+7): [applicable at contract award only]	\$
10	Applicable Tax(es): [applicable at contract award only]	\$
11	Total Estimated Cost (9+10): [applicable at contract award only]	\$

* Applicable taxes extra.

Table 9 – Bidder's Authorized Representative

1.	Bidder's Authorized Representative for the Bid and the Contract	
	Name:	Telephone:
		E-Mail:
		Other:

***At contract award, "By submitting a bid, the Bidder" becomes "The Contractor".**

ANNEX D
Additional Specifications, Certifications

This Annex includes the additional Specifications, Certifications associated with NSA product. *(if applicable)* forming part of the requirement.

1. Specifications

The NSA products for this requirement must be tested and meet the performance Testing Requirements found at ANNEX A-1 and A-2 of the Supply Arrangement.

2. Certifications

.1 NSA Product Conformance

2.1 NSA Product Conformance *(Required precedent to Issuance of a contract)*

The Supplier certifies that all the NSA products offered will conform to all specifications indicated in Annex A and D of the RFB, and meet the testing and performance requirements found at ANNEX A-1 and A-2 of the Supply Arrangement, as applicable.

Supplier's Signature

Date

NSA Product Conformance Certification *(applies after contract award)*

The Supplier warrants that the NSA Product Conformance Certification submitted by the Supplier with its bid is accurate and complete. The Supplier must keep proper records and documentation relating to the NSA product conformance and the testing requirements in this Annex, as applicable. The Supplier must not, without obtaining the prior written consent of the SAA, dispose of any such records or documentation until the expiration of the Contract or the expiry date of the Warranty, whichever is later. All such records and documentation must at all times during the retention period be open to audit, inspection and examination by the representatives of Canada, who may make copies and take extracts.

In addition, the Supplier must provide representatives of the SAA access to all locations where any part of the Work is being performed at any time during working hours. Representatives of the SAA may examine and test the Work as they see fit. The Supplier must provide all assistance and access to facilities, test pieces, samples and documentation that the representatives of the SAA may reasonably require for the carrying out of the inspection, which may also include the submission of test reporting documentation as listed in Annex A and D. The Supplier must forward such test pieces, samples and/or documentation that may also include letters of certification from the laboratories to such person or location as the representatives of the SAA specifies.