

ACAN – Chameleon Tunable Ti-sapphire Laser (Ultra, 80 MHz), Diagnosis and Repair Services - Saskatoon Research and Development Centre, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

This Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada intends to award a service contract to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a Statement of Capabilities. If no supplier submits, a Statement of Capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in this ACAN, the Contracting Officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

REQUIREMENTS:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada will be contracting services from Coherent Canada Inc for diagnosis and subsequent repair services on one (1) Chameleon tunable Ti-sapphire laser (Ultra, 80 MHz), in order to return two-photon functionality to an Zeiss LSM710 confocal microscope.

CRITERIA FOR ASSESSMENT OF THE STATEMENT OF CAPABILITIES :

Instructions to Bidders

1. A complete list of the mandatory evaluation criteria are detailed in the Compliance Matrix below.
2. Bids which fail to meet all of the mandatory evaluation criteria will be declared non-responsive.
3. Bidders should demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they meet each mandatory evaluation criteria. Bidder should demonstrate their capability in a thorough, concise and clear manner.
4. The technical bid should address clearly and in sufficient depth the points that are subject to the evaluation criteria against which the bid will be evaluated. Simply repeating the statement contained in the bid solicitation or stating, without any substantiating information, that a bidder is compliant will not be sufficient.
5. Substantiating information may include, but is not limited to, specification sheets, technical brochures, photographs or illustrations. If published supporting technical documentation is not available, the Bidder should prepare a written narrative complete with a detailed explanation of how its bid demonstrates technical compliance. All substantiating information should be provided with the bid at solicitation closing date. It is the Bidders responsibility to ensure that the submitted supporting technical documentation provides detail to demonstrate that the proposed product(s) meet the requirements of the evaluation criteria.
6. If the supporting documentation referenced above has not been provided at bid closing, the Contracting Authority will notify the Bidder that they must provide supporting documentation within two (2) business days following notification. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority within that time period, will deem the bid non-responsive and the bid will be given no further consideration.
7. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that bidders address and present the topics in the order of the evaluation criteria, and include a grid in their proposal, containing the information which demonstrates how the bidder meets each evaluation criteria. Alternatively, and to avoid any duplication, bidders may also refer to the different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.
8. Bidders must address any concerns with the performance specifications in written detail to the Contracting Authority before bid closing as outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document.

COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS:

Requirement:	Manufacturer(s) Offered:	Model Number(s) Offered:
Repair Chameleon tunable Ti-sapphire laser (Ultra, 80 MHz)	Repair Chameleon tunable Ti-sapphire laser (Ultra, 80 MHz)	1209889

Item #	Performance Specification	Status (M) Mandatory (D) Desirable*	Performance Specification Offered: Bidder <u>should</u> indicate how they meet the performance specification by recording this information in this column	Cross Reference: In this column, Bidders <u>should</u> cross-reference where this performance specification is indicated in their supporting documents
1.0	PART 1: SPECIFICATIONS			
1.1	Repair Tunable Titanium-Sapphire laser	M		
1.2	Shipping of appropriate shipping crate to Saskatoon	M		
1.3	Shipping of laser to Saskatoon	M		
		M		
2.0	Part 2: DELIVERY			
2.1	Must be delivered on or before March 31, 2023 to: Eiko Kawamura WCVM Imaging Centre, Room 2204 WCVM, University of Saskatchewan 52 Campus Drive Saskatoon, SK. S7N 5B4	M		
3.0	Part 3: WARRANTY/ SERVICE/ PARTS & LABOUR			
3.1	The equipment must have minimum one (1) year warranty	M		
3.2	Support: Phone support if we have difficulty with the laser in the first year	M		
3.3	Manuals: A link to the online manual	M		

*Desirables will not be used as part of the evaluation.

CONTRACT PERIOD:

From date of contract award to March 31, 2023

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$41,000.00 CAD (including applicable taxes)

PRE-IDENTIFIED SUPPLIER :

Coherent Canada Inc.

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION:

Coherent Canada Inc owns the design, architecture and intellectual property of the Chameleon tunable Ti-sapphire laser (Ultra, 80 MHz). There is no other company that can provide diagnosis and repair services of the equipment because Coherent Canada Inc does not authorize value-added resellers or distributors to service their equipment. Since Coherent Canada Inc is the original manufacturer of this equipment, they are the only company that have trained service engineers that are qualified to do the trouble shooting and repairs on their technology should something break down.

Government Contracts Regulations Exception and Limited Tendering Reason:

Section 6 (d) has been invoked for this procurement as only one supplier (person/firm) is capable of performing the contract.

Where, for works of art, or for reasons connected with the protection of patents, copyrights or other exclusive rights, or proprietary information or where there is an absence of competition for technical reasons, the goods or services can be supplied only by a particular supplier and no reasonable alternative or substitute exists.

ACAN NOTICE:

You are hereby notified that the government intends to negotiate with one firm only as identified above. Should you have any questions concerning this requirement, contact the Contracting Authority.

An Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN) allows departments and agencies to post a notice, for no less than fifteen (15) calendar days, indicating to the supplier community that it intends to award a good, service or construction contract to a pre-identified contractor. If no other supplier submits, on or before the closing date, a Statement of Capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, the Contracting Authority may then proceed with the award. However, should a Statement of Capabilities be found to meet the requirements set out in the ACAN, then the Contracting Authority will proceed to a full tendering process.

STATEMENT OF CAPABILITIES CLOSING DATE AND TIME:

The closing date and time for acceptance of Statement of Capabilities is **January 19, 2023, at 2:00 pm CST.**

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the services described herein, may submit a statement of capabilities by Email to the contact person identified in this Notice on or before the closing date of this notice. The statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

The Solicitation Number, Name of Contracting Authority and closing date of the ACAN must appear within your Statement of Capabilities.

The Crown retains the right to negotiate with suppliers on any procurement.

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