



**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 - Commentaires

**RETURN BIDS TO:
RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À :**

By e-mail to: - Par courriel au :

tony.youness@tc.gc.ca

Attention: - Attention :
Tony Youness

Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin
At - à :
2:00 PM - 14:00

On - le :
~~Tuesday, April 25, 2023~~
Monday, May 1, 2023
Time Zone - Fuseau Horaire :
Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)
Heure avancé de l'Est (HAE)

Title - Sujet Professional services to support Microsoft Power Platform		Amendment No. - N° modif. 3
Solicitation No. N° de l'invitation T8080-220407	Date of Amendment Date de modification April 17, 2023	
Address enquiries to : - Adresser toute demande de renseignements à : Tony Youness E-Mail Address - Courriel : Tony.youness@tc.gc.ca		
Destination See herein - Voir aux présentes		

Instructions: Municipal taxes are not applicable. Unless otherwise specified herein all prices quoted must include all applicable Canadian customs duties, GST/HST, excise taxes and are to be delivered Delivery Duty Paid including all delivery charges to destination(s) as indicated. The amount of the Goods and Services Tax/Harmonized Sales Tax is to be shown as a separate item.

Instructions : Les taxes municipales ne s'appliquent pas. Sauf indication contraire, les prix indiqués doivent comprendre les droits de douane canadiens, la TPS/TVH et la taxe d'accise. Les biens doivent être livrés « rendu droits acquittés », tous frais de livraison compris, à la ou aux destinations indiquées. Le montant de la taxe sur les produits et services/taxe de vente harmonisée doit être indiqué séparément.

Delivery required Livraison exigée See herein - Voir aux présentes	Delivery offered Livraison proposée Not applicable - Sans objet
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
Person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print): La personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie) :	
Name - Nom	Title - Titre
Signature	Date



THIS SOLICITATION AMENDMENT IS RAISED TO:

1. Provide clarification and answers to questions from potential supplier

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question 8	For Rated Corporate Criteria RC1, Transport Canada requires bidders to demonstrate their depth of corporate experience in delivering Power Apps billed days through the contracts used to support MC1. However, some of the parameters in MC1 are restrictive and could prevent bidders from referencing otherwise relevant Power Apps billed days through other contracts. As bidders will be providing copies of the contracts to demonstrate that days billed are relevant to RC1, would Transport Canada allow bidders to reference two contracts to demonstrate the Power Apps resource days billed, where only one contract must be from MC1?
Answer 8	We have reviewed your request. The requirement remains unchanged.
Question 9	Will Transport Canada agree to add the underlined wording for all levels of Business System Analyst (BSA) R2 rated criteria as follows? Yes / No <i>“The Bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has a minimum of six (6) month of experience gathering requirements for system integration between Cloud to Ground and which clearly define rules for pulling, pushing, and sharing Protected B data <u>or at least one similar data security standard equivalent used within the IT industry.</u>”</i>
Answer 9	Yes. TC reviewed your request and agreed to change BSA, R2 for Level 1,2 and 3. See amendment A below.
Question 10	Will Transport Canada remove wording (shown as: strikethrough) for ERP Programmer Analyst M3 all levels as follows? Yes / No <i>“The proposed Programmer Analyst must have minimum of three (3) years of experience designing, configuring and implementing Power Apps solutions within the past 5 years at the bid closing date.”</i>
Answer 10	We have reviewed your request. The requirement remains unchanged.
Question 11	Will TC permit Bidders to modify the Corporate Reference Response Form – Table 1? (Page 74 of 80) to add Client Name field in a new row? Yes / No
Answer 11	TC reviewed your request and agreed to amend Corporate Reference Response Form – Table 1. See Amendment B below
Question 12	Corporate Mandatory criteria MC1 requests that the value of each contract must be of a minimum \$3,000,000.00 (CDN), including taxes.



	For consistency sake, will TC permit Bidders to modify the Corporate Reference Response Form – Table 1 (Page 74 of 80) to modify Contract Value (W/O tax) label to Contract Value (With tax) ? Yes / No
Answer 12	Yes. TC reviewed your request and agreed to amend Corporate Reference Response Form – Table 1. See Amendment B below
Question 13	We note the RFP requires that the bidder submit the following security information for each of the proposed resources with their bids on or before the bid closing date. Might Canada consider amending this requirement to enable bidders to submit security information for proposed resources at the time of award or task authorization issuance?
Answer 13	TC reviewed your request and agreed to amend Section 3.2. See Amendment C below
Question 14	We note that Canada has requested the bidder submit reference contracts. Due to client confidentiality, we are unable to share contracts without explicit permission from the reference clients. Furthermore, the contracts may not provide the level of detail Canada is seeking to ensure the services performed demonstrate the required experience. Would Canada consider accepting a letter from the reference clients that substantiates the services performed?
Answer 14	TC have reviewed your request and agrees to make changes to RC2 only. See amendment D below.
Question 15	Point Rated Criteria CR2 is requesting that the Bidder provide Statements of Work and Task Authorizations for contracts that outline roles and activities that support Power Apps solutions. However, Statements of Work and Task Authorizations often only include a short list of tasks that is not exhaustive and may not fully represent the scope of work that the Contractor’s resources are performing. As such, we would like to respectfully enquire whether the Crown would accept a signed client reference letter that details the roles and activities the Bidder is performing with regards to supporting Power Apps solutions in lieu of copies of the Statements of work and Tasks authorizations
Answer 15	TC have reviewed your request and agrees to make changes to RC2. See amendment D below.
Question 16	Due to the high volume for RFP’s and the size of the response for this RFP, we kindly request a three (3) week extension to allow us to put together a high-quality response
Answer 16	Canada agrees to extend the end date of this solicitation. Solicitation closing date will now be Monday, May 1, 2023, at 2:00 PM. See Amendment E below.
Question 17	RFP section 4.2 (c) notes that Canada will not be evaluating resources at this stage of the solicitation, however in Part 3 – BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, section 3.2 Section I: Technical Bid sub-section (ii) the RFP asks for security information to be provided for each of the proposed resources with their bids on or before the bid closing date.



	Can the Crown please confirm that resources are not to be provided at this stage of the solicitation as they will not be evaluated, and therefore sub-section (ii) of RFP Part 3 – BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, section 3.2 Section I: Technical Bid can be deleted?
Answer 17	See answer 13 - (amendment C below)

THIS SOLICITATION IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Amendments:

A)
DELETE R2 under APPENDIX C TO ANNEX A, Part **B.1) Business System Analyst- Level 3** its entirely and REPLACE with:

RTC#	Rated Technical Criteria	Maximum Points	Points Allocation	Bidder's Response (Cross Reference to Résumé)
R2	The Bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has a minimum of one (1) year of experience gathering requirements for system integration between Cloud to Ground and which clearly define rules for pulling, pushing and sharing Protected B data or at least one similar data security standard equivalent used within the IT industry.	/15	Less than 12 months = 0 pts 12 to 23 months = 5 pts 24 to 35 months = 10 pts 36 months or more = 15 pts	

DELETE R2 under APPENDIX C TO ANNEX A, Part **B.2) Business System Analyst- Level 2** its entirely and REPLACE with:

RTC#	Rated Technical Criteria	Maximum Points	Points Allocation	Bidder's Response (Cross Reference to Résumé)
R2	The Bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has a minimum of six (6) month of experience gathering requirements for system integration between Cloud to Ground and which clearly define rules for pulling, pushing, and sharing Protected B data or at least one similar data security standard equivalent used within the IT industry.	/15	Less than 6 months = 0 pts 6 to 11 months = 5 pts 12 to 23 months = 10 pts 24 months or more = 15 pts	



DELETE R2 under APPENDIX C TO ANNEX A, Part **B.3) Business System Analyst- Level 1** its entirely and REPLACE with:

RTC#	Rated Technical Criteria	Maximum Points	Points Allocation	Bidder's Response (Cross Reference to Résumé)
R2	The Bidder should demonstrate that the proposed resource has a minimum of three (3) months of experience gathering requirements for system integration between Cloud to Ground and which clearly define rules for pulling, pushing and sharing Protected B data or or at least one similar data security standard equivalent used within the IT industry.	15	Less than 3 months = 0 pts 3 to 5 months = 5 pts 6 to 11 months = 10 pts 12 months or more = 15 pts	

B) DELETE Table 1 under ATTACHMENT 4.1 in its entirety and REPLACE with:

Table 1

Corporate Reference Response Form	
Client Organization name or Client Name:	
Project name under which services were provided:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Contract #:	
Number of contracted resources	
Start Date:	
End Date:	
Contract Value (With tax):	
Description of the work performed including project outcomes, tasks, and deliverables.	

C) DELETE Section 3.2, Subsection II (Security clearance) in its entirety and REPLACE with:

- (ii) **Security Clearance:** Bidders are requested to submit the following security information for each of the proposed resources when **responding to Resources Task Authorization issuance after contract award** ~~with their bids on or before the bid closing date:~~

SECURITY INFORMATION	
Name of individual as it appears on security clearance application form	
Level of security clearance obtained	



Validity period of security clearance obtained	
Security Screening Certificate and Briefing Form file number	
Personal email address of the resource for security transfer purposes	
Resource's date of birth	

If the Bidder has not included the security information in its bid, the Contracting Authority will provide an opportunity to the Bidder to submit the security information during the evaluation period. If the Bidder has not submitted the security information within the period set by the Contracting Authority, its bid will be declared non-responsive.

- D) DELETE Rated Corporate Criteria RC2 under Attachment 4.1, Part B: Rated Corporate Criteria- THE BIDDER in its entirety and REPLACE with:

RC#	Rated Corporate Criteria	Maximum Points	Points Allocation
RC2	<p>The Bidder should provide a copy of the two statements of work* and task authorizations from the two Contract references used in MC1 to substantiate that the work specifically fulfilled tasks is related to the delivery of either, technical area 1 and/or technical area 2.</p> <p>Note: *Should Statements of Work and Task Authorizations be unavailable, a signed client reference letter clearly detailing the roles and activities performed in alignment with required Power Apps experience in (a)Canvas solution, b) Model Driven, and c) Power Portals) shall be accepted.</p>	/25	<p>*Statement of work and Tasks authorizations from both contracts' outlines roles and activities that support Power Apps solutions in the following areas:</p> <p>a) Canvas solution = 5 points</p> <p>b) Model-driven = 10 points</p> <p>c) Portals = 10 points</p>

- E) DELETE from Page 1, Solicitation Closes - L 'invitation pend fin, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 2:00 PM and REPLACE with Monday, May 1,2023 at 2:00 PM.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME