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## AMD 004

This amendment is needed to:

1. Respond to Bidders questions.

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### 1. Questions and Answers

Q3- As part of the compliance system in Quebec, do you also accept emission rights units or only offset credits?

**Response: Only offset credits are accepted.**

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Q2- Can you please confirm the following:

**a) PRC01:** Previously you only considered projects that were registered under the Alberta, Quebec and British Columbia compliance registries. Now, as we understand it, the PRC01 and PRC02 of the old version have been merged, and the new application does not mention the required standard or protocol. So, can compliance projects, voluntary projects certified on international registers such as the VCS or Gold Standard, or voluntary carbon initiatives without stand-alone certification be proposed?

Is our understanding correct?

**Response: In alignment with the mandatory criteria MC01 included under attachment 4.1 of the RFP, all of the carbon offset credit project(s) proposed under PRC01 to PRC05 must come from a Canadian compliance-based registry under British-Columbia, Alberta or Quebec.**

**b) PRC05:** We need to be able to demonstrate our ability to trade and retire carbon credits under compliance-based systems. This is not in line with your new PRC01, which opens the door to several types of carbon credits. Wouldn't our ability to trade on an official carbon credit registry, even if voluntary or outside Canada, be more appropriate?

Is our understanding correct?

**Response: All of the carbon offset credit projects proposed under PRC01 to PRC05 must come from any Canadian compliance-based registry under British-Columbia, Alberta or Quebec. PRC05 has been amended to 15 points for carbon offset credit project(s) registered in one Canadian compliance-based offset registry (BC, AB, QC), 20 points for carbon offset credit project(s) registered in two separate Canadian compliance-based registries (BC, AB, QC), and 25 points for carbon offset credit projects registered in all three Canadian compliance-based registries (BC, AB and QC). Please see "Attachment 4.2 (AMD002) Point Rated Technical Criteria for the clarifications.**

Q1- The evaluation criteria as written is very limiting to suppliers who could provide the services and it is unlikely that many, if any, providers in Canada will be able to qualify. As such, we would like to respectfully request the following changes:

- a) **PRC01.** Offset providers don't often work in all three jurisdictions that you're looking to support in Canada (Alberta, Quebec, and BC) making it unlikely that most people would get more than 25 points out of 100 for this criterion. Also, this is a duplicate of PRC06.

**Response: The criteria has been deleted, please see document "Attachment 4.2 (AMD001) Point-Rated Technical Criteria attached to this Solicitation.**

- b) **PRC02.** The score is allocated by different types of projects. Some Suppliers only offer large projects in one type limiting the score to 0/100 points. Please allocate points for one project under the listed categories to allow Suppliers to submit a competitive bid.

**Response: The criteria has been amended to PRC01 (due to the deletion of the original PRC01), has been reduced to an overall score of 75 and revised to allocated 25 points for one type of project, 50 point for two types of projects, up to a maximum of 75 points for three + different types of projects. Please see document "Attachment 4.2 (AMD001) Point-Rated Technical Criteria attached to this Solicitation.**

- c) **PRC06.** This seems like a duplicate of the original PRC01 (now deleted), and the same comment applies. Also, please confirm the total points is 100 and not 25 as stated in the Score column. Based on the total technical points available, PRC06 seems to have a total score of 100. Please confirm.

**Response: The criteria has been amended to PRC05 (due to the deletion of the original PRC01), has been reduced to an overall score of 25 and changed to allocated 15 points for one registry, 20 point for two registries, up to a maximum of 25 points for three registries. The total score of the criteria is now 25 points. Please see document "Attachment 4.2 (AMD001) Point-Rated Technical Criteria attached to this Solicitation.**

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.**