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Request for Proposal (RFP)

Proposal To: Natural Resources Canada

We hereby offer to sell to His Majesty the King in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

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Issuing Office

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Title Welding Services	
Solicitation No.	Date
NRCan-5000076572	October 6, 2023
Requisition Reference No. 179380	·
Solicitation Closes at – à 2 p.m. (Eastern Standard Tin on – le November 7, 2023	ne (EST))
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THERE ARE SECURITY REQUIRED ASSOCIATED WITH THIS REQUIRED	
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Telephone No.:	
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Email:	
Name and Title of person authorized to Vendor/Firm (type or print)	o sign on behalf of

Date

Signature



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The Articles contained in this document are mandatory in their entirety, unless otherwise indicated. Acceptance of these Articles, in their entirety, as they appear in this document, is a Mandatory requirement of this RFP.

Suppliers submitting a proposal containing statements implying that their proposal is conditional on modification of these clauses or containing terms and conditions that purport to supersede these clauses or derogate from them will be considered non-responsive.

Bidders with concerns regarding the provisions of the Bid Solicitation document (including the Resulting Contract Clauses) should raise such concerns in accordance with the Enquiries provision of this RFP.

By signing its bid, the bidder confirms that they have read the entire bid solicitation including the documents incorporated by reference into the bid solicitation and certifies that:

- 1. The Bidder considers itself and its proposed resources able to meet all the mandatory requirements described in the bid solicitation:
- 2. This bid is valid for the period requested in the bid solicitation;
- 3. All the information provided in the bid is complete, true and accurate; and
- 4. If the Bidder is awarded a contract, it will accept all the terms and conditions set out in the resulting contract clauses included in the bid solicitation.

PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Introduction

The bid solicitation is divided into seven parts plus attachments and annexes, as follows:

- Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;
- Part 2 Bidder Instructions: provides the instructions, clauses and conditions applicable to the bid solicitation;
- Part 3 Bid Preparation Instructions: provides Bidders with instructions on how to prepare their bid;
- Part 4 Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria that must be addressed in the bid, and the basis of selection;
- Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information: includes the certifications and additional information to be provided;
- Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements: includes specific requirements that must be addressed by Bidders; and
- Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses: includes the clauses and conditions that will apply to any resulting contract.

The Annexes include the Statement of Work, the Basis of Payment, the Security Requirements Checklist, and the Insurance Requirements.

The Appendixes include the Evaluation Criteria and the Financial Proposal Form.

1.2 Summary

By means of the RFP, Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) is seeking proposals from bidders for a qualified Contractor to perform: installation and modification of welded pressure piping, pressure tubing, repair and alteration of pressure vessels, and general welding services. Work will be carried out at the Contractor's shop and in the field, working both indoors and outdoors, at Natural Resources Canada's Bells Corners Complex in Ottawa Ontario.

The period of the contract shall be from date of contract to March 31, 2024. There is option to extend the term of contract, up to three (3) additional twelve (12) month periods, under the same terms and conditions.

- 1.2.1 There are security requirements associated with this requirement. For additional information, consult Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements, and Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses. For more information on personnel and organization security screening or security clauses, Bidders should refer to the Contract Security Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html) website.
- 1.2.2 This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the CPC Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled Bid Preparation Instructions, of the bid solicitation, for further information.

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1.3 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within fifteen (15) working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing will be done in writing, by email.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual</u> (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The <u>2003</u> (2023-06-08) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

1. In the complete text content (except Section 1 and 3)

Delete: Public Works and Government Services Canada" and "PWGSC"

Insert: "Natural Resources Canada." and "NRCan"

2. At 02 Procurement Business Number:

Delete: "Suppliers are required to" **Insert:** "It is suggested that suppliers"

3. At 08 Transmission by facsimile or by Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service,

article 1:

Delete: in its entirety

4. At 08 Transmission by facsimile or by Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service, article 2a:

Delete: The only acceptable email address to use with CPC Connect for responses to bid solicitations issued by PWGSC headquarters is: tpsgc.pareceptiondessoumissions-apbidReceiving.pwgsc@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca. or, if applicable, the email address identified in the bid solicitation.

Insert: The only acceptable email address to use with CPC Connect for responses to bid solicitation issued by NRCan is: procurement-approvisionnement@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca

5. At 08, Transmission by facsimile or by Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service, article 2b:

Delete: "six business days" **Insert**: "five business days"

6. At 20, Further information, article 2b:

Delete: in its entirety

Subsection 5.4 of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: 60 days Insert: 180 days



2.2 Submission of Bids

Bidders must submit all proposals using the Canada Post Canada (CPC) Connect service. Given the current constraints on NRCan's networks, the electronic mail system has a limit of 1GB per single message received and a limit of 20GB per conversation.

Bids must be submitted no later than the date and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

Only bids submitted using CPC Connect service will be accepted.

At least five (5) business days before the bid solicitation closing date, it is necessary for the Bidder to send an email requesting to open CPC Connect conversation to the following address:

procurement-approvisionnement@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca

Note 1: Bids will not be accepted if e-mailed directly to this address. This e-mail address is to be used to open CPC Connect conversation, as detailed in the Standard Instructions 2003 (article 08, paragraph 2), or to send bids through CPC Connect message if the bidder is using its own licensing agreement for CPC Connect.

Note 2: Send as early as possible in order to ensure a response, Requests to open a CPC Connect conversation received after that time may not be answered.

IMPORTANT: It is requested that you write the bid solicitation number in "Subject" of the email:

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NRCan will not assume responsibility for proposals directed to any other location.

The onus is on the Bidder to ensure that the bid is submitted correctly using CPC Connect service. Not complying with the instructions may result in NRCan's inability to ascertain reception date and/or to consider the bid prior to contract award. Therefore, NRCan reserves the right to reject any proposal not complying with these instructions.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by email, mail or facsimile to NRCan will not be accepted.

2.3 Former Public Servant

Contracts awarded to former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny, and reflect fairness in the spending of public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts awarded to FPSs, bidders must provide the information required below before contract award. If the answer to the questions and, as applicable the information required have not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply with Canada's request and meet the requirement within the prescribed time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

Definitions

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For the purposes of this clause, "former public servant" is any former member of a department as defined in the <u>Financial Administration Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A former public servant may be:

- a) an individual;
- b) an individual who has incorporated;
- c) a partnership made of former public servants; or
- d) a sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the size of the Public Service. The lump sum payment period does not include the period of severance pay, which is measured in a like manner.

"pension" means a pension or annual allowance paid under the Public Service Superannuation
Act (PSSA), R.S., 1985, c. P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the Supplementary Retirement Benefits
Act, R.S., 1985, c. S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the Canadian Forces Superannuation Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-17, the Defence Services Pension Continuation Act, 1970, c. D-3, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act, R.S., 1985, c. R-11, the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances
Act, R.S. 1985, c. M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the Canada Pension Plan Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-8

Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, is the Bidder a FPS in receipt	of a pension? Yes □ No □
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If so, the Bidder must provide the following information, for all FPSs in receipt of a pension, as applicable:

- a) name of former public servant;
- b) date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

By providing this information, Bidders agree that the successful Bidder's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2019-01 and the Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts.

Work Force Adjustment Directive

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive? **Yes** □ **No** □

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- a) name of former public servant;
- b) conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- c) date of termination of employment;
- d) amount of lump sum payment;
- e) rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based:
- f) period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
- g) number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force adjustment program.



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2.4 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than 5 calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated and the enquiry can be answered to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

2.5 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Bidders.

2.6 Improvement of Requirement During Solicitation Period

Should bidders consider that the specifications or Statement of Work contained in the bid solicitation could be improved technically or technologically, bidders are invited to make suggestions, in writing, to the Contracting Authority named in the bid solicitation. Bidders must clearly outline the suggested improvement as well as the reason for the suggestion. Suggestions that do not restrict the level of competition nor favour a particular bidder will be given consideration provided they are submitted to the Contracting Authority at least 5 calendar days before the bid closing date. Canada will have the right to accept or reject any or all suggestions.

2.7 Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms

- (a) Several mechanisms are available to potential suppliers to challenge aspects of the procurement process up to and including contract award.
- (b) Canada encourages suppliers to first bring their concerns to the attention of the Contracting Authority. Canada's <u>Buy and Sell</u> website, under the heading "<u>Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms</u>" contains information on potential complaint bodies such as:
 - Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO)
 - Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)
- (c) Suppliers should note that there are **strict deadlines** for filing complaints, and the time periods vary depending on the complaint body in question. Suppliers should therefore act quickly when they want to challenge any aspect of the procurement process.

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PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

 The Bidder must submit its bid electronically, Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in accordance with section 08 of the 2003 standard instructions. The CPC Connect system has a limit of 1GB per single message posted and a limit of 20GB per conversation.

Canada requests that the Bidder submits its bid in separately saved documents as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid Section II: Financial Bid Section III: Certifications

Section IV: Additional Information

If the Bidder is simultaneously providing copies of its bid using multiple acceptable delivery methods, and if there is a discrepancy between the wording of any of these copies and the electronic copy provided through CPC Connect service, the wording of the electronic copy provided through CPC Connect service will have priority over the wording of the other copies.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process Policy on Green
Procurement (https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=32573). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders should:

- 1) Include all environmental certification(s) relevant to your organization (e.g., ISO 14001, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), Carbon Disclosure Project, etc.)
- 2) Include all environmental certification(s) or Environmental Product Declaration(s) (EPD) specific to your product/service (e.g., Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), ENERGYSTAR, etc.)

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, Bidders should demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they will meet these requirements. Bidders should demonstrate their capability in a thorough, concise and clear manner for carrying out the work.

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 is not sufficient. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that Bidders address and present topics in the order of the evaluation criteria under the same headings. To avoid duplication, Bidders may refer to different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.

Section II: Financial Bid

3.1.1 Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Financial Bid Presentation Sheet in Appendix 2.

3.1.2 Exchange Rate Fluctuation

C3011T (2013-11-06), Exchange Rate Fluctuation



Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

Section IV: Additional Information

In section IV of their bid, the Bidders should include:

- a) 1st page of the RFP signed, with their legal name;
- b) The name of the contact person (provide also this person's mailing address, phone numbers and email address) authorized by the Bidder to enter into communications with Canada with regards to their bid, and any contract that my result from their bid.

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PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 **Evaluation Procedures**

- Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the (a) technical, evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

4.1.1 **Technical Evaluation**

Mandatory evaluation criteria are included in Appendix 1 – Evaluation Criteria.

4.2 **Basis of Selection**

4.2.1 **Mandatory Technical Criteria**

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.

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PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Required with the Bid

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their bid.

5.1.1 **Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences**

In accordance with the Integrity Provisions of the Standard Instructions, all bidders must provide with their bid, if applicable, the Integrity declaration form available on the Forms for the Integrity Regime website (http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html), to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame specified will render the bid non-responsive.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions - Required Documentation

In accordance with the Ineligibility and Suspension Policy (http://www.tpsqc-pwqsc.qc.ca/ci-if/politique-policyeng.html), the Contractor must provide with its bid the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

All applicants, regardless of their status under the policy, must have the following information at the time to participate in a procurement process:

- Suppliers that are corporate entities, including those bidding as joint ventures, must provide a complete list of the names of all current directors or, for a privately owned corporation, the names of the owners of the corporation;
- Suppliers bidding as sole proprietors, including sole proprietors bidding as joint ventures, must provide a complete list of the names of all owners;
- Suppliers that are a partnership do not need to provide a list of names.

Supplier's Legal Name:
OR
Name of each member of the joint venture:
Member 1:
Member 2:

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Member 3:		
Member 4:		
Organizational Structure:		
☐ corporate entity (shareholders) - p	rovide the names of the current Boa	ard of directors
privately owned corporation - provi	ide a list of the owner's names	
\square sole proprietor - provide a list of th	e owner's names	
LIST OF NAMES		
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	TITLE
LAOTHANL	TINOTIVAME	IIILL
5.2.2 Aboriginal Designation		
Who is eligible?		
 a. An Aboriginal business, which i. a band as defined by the India ii. a sole proprietorship iii. a limited company iv. a co-operative v. a partnership vi. a not-for-profit organization in which Aboriginal persons have at let 	an Act	rol,
OR		
	wo or more Aboriginal businesses or ded that the Aboriginal business(es e.	
When an Aboriginal business has six thirty-three percent of them must be A duration of the contract.		
The supplier must certify in its submitt described above.	ed bid that it is an Aboriginal busine	ess or a joint venture constituted as
Our Company is NOT an Aborigin	nal Firm	
Our Company is an Aboriginal Fir	m, as identified above.	

Is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension as



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5.2.3 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list available at the bottom of the page of the Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour's website.

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid list at the time of contract award.

5.2.4 Additional Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

5.2.4.1 Status and Availability of Resources

SACC Manual clause A3005T (2010-08-16) Status and Availability of Resources

5.2.4.2 Education and Experience

SACC Manual clause A3010T (2010-08-16) Education and Experience

5.2.4.3 Former Public servant

Signature of Authorized Representative

Former Public Servants

The Contractor certifies having read and understood the i acknowledges receipt.	information included in the present document and
SIGNATURE for CERTIFICATION	
	Yes No If yes, provide the information required by the Article in Part 2 entitled "Former Public Servant"
	Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment under the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive?
Former Public Servant for a definition of "Former Public Servant".	Yes No If yes, provide the information required by the Article in Part 2 entitled "Former Public Servant"
	defined in the bid solicitation?

PART 6 - SECURITY, FINANCIAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

6.1 Security Requirements

6.1.1 At the date of bid closing, the following conditions must be met:

- i. the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses;
- ii. the Bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites;
- iii. For each proposed individual who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites not already meeting the security requirement as indicated in Part 7, <a href="the Bidder are requested to provide a proof that they processed a request for the security clearance duplication or the new security clearance to the Industrial Security Program (ISP) and a confirmation of receipt of this request from the ISP. If the Bidder has not included the information in its bid, the Contracting Authority will provide an opportunity to the Bidder to submit the information during the evaluation period.
- iv. the Bidder is requested to submit the following security information for each of the proposed resources 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	

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.

6.1.2 Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:

- the Bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must meet the security requirement as indicated in Part 7 – Resulting Contract Clauses.
 - a. Bidders are reminded to obtain the required security clearance promptly. Any delay in the award of a contract to allow the successful bidder to obtain the required clearance will be at the entire discretion of the Contracting Authority.
 - b. For additional information on security requirements, bidders should refer to the <u>Industrial Security Program (ISP)</u> of Public Works and Government Services Canada (http://ssi-iss.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/index-eng.html) website.
 - c. In the case of a joint venture bidder, each member of the joint venture must meet the security requirements.

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6.2 Insurance Requirements

The Bidder must provide a letter from an insurance broker or an insurance company licensed to operate in Canada stating that the Bidder, if awarded a contract as a result of the bid solicitation, can be insured in accordance with the Insurance Requirements specified in Annex D.

If the information is not provided in the bid, the Contracting Authority will so inform the Bidder and provide the Bidder with a time frame within which to meet the requirement. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and meet the requirement within that time period will render the bid non-responsive.

PART 7 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

7.1 Statement of Work

The Contractor must perform the Work in accordance with the Statement of Work at Annex A and the Contractor's technical bid entitled ______, dated _____. (to be completed at contract award)

7.1.1 Optional Services

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to acquire the goods, services or both described at Annex A of the Contract under the same conditions and at the prices and/or rates stated in the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

The Contracting Authority may exercise the option at any time before the expiry of the Contract by sending a written notice to the Contractor.

7.2 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual</u> (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

7.2.1 General Conditions

2010C (2022-12-01), General Conditions - Medium Complexity - Services, apply to and form part of the Contract.

7. If applicable, replace references to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)

7.2.2 Supplemental General Conditions

4013 (2022-06-20), Compliance with on-site measures, standing orders, policies, and rules apply to and form part of the Contract.

7.3 Security Requirements

- **7.3.1** The following security requirements (SRCL and related clauses provided by the Contract Security Program) apply and form part of the Contract.
- 1. The Contractor must, at all times during the performance of the Contract, hold a valid Designated Organization Screening (DOS), issued by the Contract Security Program (CSP), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- The Contractor personnel requiring access to sensitive site(s) must EACH hold a valid RELIABILITY STATUS, granted or approved by the CSP, PWGSC.
- Subcontracts which contain security requirements are NOT to be awarded without the prior written permission of the CSP, PWGSC.
- 4. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the:
 - a) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex C.



b) Contract Security Manual (Latest Edition).

7.4 Term of Contract

7.4.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is from date of Contract to March 31, 2024 inclusive.

7.4.2 Option to Extend the Contract

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to three (3) additional one (1) year period under the same conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in the Basis of Payment.

Canada may exercise this option at any time by sending a written notice to the Contractor before the expiry date of the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority, and will be evidenced for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

7.5 Authorities

7.5.1 Contracting Authority

Name: Steve Verner

Title: Senior Procurement Officer Organization: Natural Resources Canada

Address: 580 Booth Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0E4

Telephone: 343-543-6090

E-mail address: <u>steve.verner@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca</u>

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

7.5.2 Project or Technical Authority

Name:	(to be filled out at contract award)
Title <i>:</i>	
Organization:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
E-mail address:	

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority; however, the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

7.5.3 Contractor's Representative

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7.6 Proactive Disclosure of Contracts with Former Public Servants

By providing information on its status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a <u>Public Service Superannuation Act</u> (PSSA) pension, the Contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports, in accordance with <u>Contracting Policy Notice: 2019-01</u> of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada.

7.7 Payment

7.7.1 Basis of Payment - Limitation of Expenditure

The Contractor will be paid for its costs reasonably and properly incurred in the performance of the Work, in accordance with the Basis of Payment in Annex B, to a limitation of expenditure of \$______ (insert the amount at contract award). Customs duties are included, and Applicable Taxes are extra.

7.7.2 Limitation of Expenditure

- 1. Canada's total liability to the Contractor under the Contract must not exceed \$ _____. (will be completed at contract award) Customs duties are included, and Applicable Taxes are extra.
- 2. No increase in the total liability of Canada or in the price of the Work resulting from any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, will be authorized or paid to the Contractor unless these design changes, modifications or interpretations have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work. The Contractor must not perform any work or provide any service that would result in Canada's total liability being exceeded before obtaining the written approval of the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority in writing as to the adequacy of this sum:
 - a. when it is 75% committed, or
 - b. four months before the contract expiry date, or
 - c. as soon as the Contractor considers that the contract funds provided are inadequate for the completion of the Work, whichever comes first.
- 3. If the notification is for inadequate contract funds, the Contractor must provide to the Contracting Authority a written estimate for the additional funds required. Provision of such information by the Contractor does not increase Canada's liability.

7.7.3 Method of Payment

Monthly Payment

Canada will pay the Contractor on a monthly basis for work performed during the month covered by the invoice in accordance with the payment provisions of the Contract if:

a. an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the Contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided in the Contract;

- - b. all such documents have been verified by Canada;
 - c. the Work performed has been accepted by Canada.

7.7.5 **Time Verification**

SACC Manual clause C0711C (2008-05-12), Time verification

7.8 **Invoicing Instructions**

Invoices shall be submitted using the following method:

E-mail: Invoicing-Facturation@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca Note: Attach "PDF" file. No other formats will be accepted

Invoices and all documents relating to a contract must be submitted on the Contractor's own form and shall bear the Contract number:

Invoicing Instructions to suppliers: http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/procurement/3485

7.9 **Certifications and Additional Information**

7.9.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of the Contract and failure to comply will constitute the Contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract.

7.10 **Applicable Laws**

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

7.11 **Priority of Documents**

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- the Articles of Agreement: (a)
- (b) the supplemental general conditions 4013 (2022-06-20), Compliance with on-site measures, standing orders, policies, and rules;
- the general conditions 2010C (2022-12-01), General Conditions Medium Complexity; (c)
- (d) Annex A, Statement of Work;
- Annex B, Basis of Payment; (e)
- Annex C, Security Requirements Check List; (f)
- Annex D, Insurance Requirements; (g)
- (h) the Contractor's bid dated _____, (insert date of bid).

7.12 Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

SACC Manual clause A2000C (2006-06-16) Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

7.13 Insurance - Specific Requirement

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The Contractor must comply with the insurance requirements specified in Annex D. The Contractor must maintain the required insurance coverage for the duration of the Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements does not release the Contractor from or reduce its liability under the Contract.

The Contractor is responsible for deciding if additional insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the Contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any additional insurance coverage is at the Contractor's expense, and for its own benefit and protection.

The Contractor must forward to the Contracting Authority within ten (10) days after the date of award of the Contract, a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the insurance coverage and confirming that the insurance policy complying with the requirements is in force. For Canadian-based Contractors, coverage must be placed with an Insurer licensed to carry out business in Canada, however, for Foreign-based Contractors, coverage must be placed with an Insurer with an A.M. Best Rating no less than "A-". The Contractor must, if requested by the Contracting Authority, forward to Canada a certified true copy of all applicable insurance policies.

7.14 Dispute Resolution

- (a) The parties agree to maintain open and honest communication about the Work throughout and after the performance of the contract.
- (b) The parties agree to consult and co-operate with each other in the furtherance of the contract and promptly notify the other party or parties and attempt to resolve problems or differences that may arise.
- (c) If the parties cannot resolve a dispute through consultation and cooperation, the parties agree to consult a neutral third party offering alternative dispute resolution services to attempt to address the dispute.
- (d) Options of alternative dispute resolution services can be found on Canada's Buy and Sell website under the heading "Dispute Resolution".

ANNEX A - STATEMENT OF WORK

SW.1.0 TITLE

Welding Services

SW.2.0 BACKGROUND

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has a requirement for a qualified Contractor to perform: installation and modification of welded pressure piping, pressure tubing, repair and alteration of pressure vessels, and general welding services. Work will be carried out at the Contractor's shop and in the field, working both indoors and outdoors, at Natural Resources Canada's Bells Corners Complex in Ottawa Ontario.

SW.3.0 PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

SW.3.1 Tasks

The Contractor shall complete the following tasks:

- 1. Cut, weld, fit, assemble, and install process piping per layout designs and pipe specifications provided by NRCan.
- 2. Cut, fit, assemble, and install Swagelok tubing systems per layout designs and tube specifications provided by NRCan.
- 3. Install all necessary piping and tubing supports; including, but not limited to, pipe clamps, pipe hangers, threaded rod, beam clamps and strut.
- 4. Carry out repairs or alterations to boilers and pressure vessels in accordance with CSA Standard B51.
- 5. Perform pressure tests on all installed piping and tubing system as required by the TSSA and the appropriate design code.
- 6. Install vent and drain points to facilitate hydrostatic testing and depressurization of the system.
- 7. Co-ordinate all non-destructive testing required per appropriate design code for the registration of piping systems or pressure vessel alterations with TSSA.
- 8. Co-ordinate all required TSSA inspections and pressure tests with both NRCan staff and TSSA inspectors.
- 9. Provide copies of all pressure test records.
- 10. Provide copies of all non-destructive testing reports.
- 11. Provide feedback and/or suggested improvements on NRCan provided piping designs for fabrication
- 12. Perform general welding services. This includes, but not limited to, welding of plate, rod, pipe, and tube to construct components excluding structural welding and welding of pressurized piping, boilers and pressure vessels.

SW.3.2 Reporting Requirements

Tasks will be executed on an on-demand basis. NRCan will initiate a request for work by contacting the contractor and providing the relevant fabrication drawings, layouts and/or isometric drawings for task. The Contractor will be asked to provide a written labour estimate and task duration prior to undertaking the work. The Contractor is to respond to a request for work within five (5) working days. After receiving written approval of the estimate, the Contractor is to start the job within fifteen (15) working days and complete the work in a timely manner. The Contractor shall submit an invoice for each requested task, which must include:

- Date of work request
- Dates of work initiation and completion
- Task name (specified by NRCan)
- Estimated labour (in hours)
- Labour expended (in hours)
- Hourly rate

In addition, the Contractor must provide the Project Authority, on a quarterly basis, a summary report of all completed and ongoing work during that quarter. The report must include:

- List of completed and ongoing tasks
- · For each task:
 - o Estimated labour (in hours)
 - Actual labour (in hours)
 - Change in scope or estimated labour
- Number and costs for all invoices sent to NRCan during the quarter

All information must be sent to the Project Authority defined in the contract.

SW.4.0 OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SOW

SW.4.1 Contractor's Obligations

While performing tasks under this contract, the Contractor must:

- 1. Provide all required consumables to complete tasks as defined in section 3. This includes, but is not limited to, welding rods, welding wire, electrodes, and gases.
- 2. Assume costs related to equipment (i.e. welding machines, regulators, grinders, etc.) required to complete tasks as defined in section 3.
- 3. Adhere to NRCan health and safety policies while working on-site at the Bells Corners Complex.
- 4. Provide all required equipment and tools for completing on-site work, including but not limited to welding machines, regulators, grinders, drills, ladders, and hand tools.
- 5. Supply all equipment and materials required to perform the pressure tests, as defined in section 3.
- 6. Clean up the work area on-site after use by the Contractor while working at the Bells Corners Complex.
- 7. Maintain a valid Certificates for Authorization with the TSSA, as specified in Appendix 1 Technical Criteria, for the duration of the contract.
- 8. Ensure that qualification of welders and welding machine operators, welding, and examination of welds is done in accordance with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX.
- 9. This requirement is also for emergency repairs, therefore the Contractor's Fabrication Shop must be located within 125km of the Bells Corners Complex (1 Haanel Dr. Ottawa, ON).

SW.4.2 NRCan's Obligations

NRCan will:

- 1. Supply all required fittings, piping, tubing, and support materials.
- 2. Provide the Contractor with fabrication drawings, layouts and/or isometric drawings detailing the welding services required for each requested task.
- 3. Supply all raw materials (i.e. plate, bar, tube, etc.) for general welding service tasks.
- 4. Bear costs of required NDT testing via purchase orders outside the scope of this contract.
- 5. Bear costs related to TSSA registration and inspection via purchase orders outside the scope of this contract.
- Brief the Contractor on work permitting and on-site health and safety policies for working at the Bells Corners Complex.
- 7. Provide access to electrical supply needed for welders and other tooling.

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SW.5.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS AND GLOSSARY

SW.5.1 Relevant Terms, Acronyms and Glossaries

AMSE: American Society of Mechanical Engineers

CSA: CSA Group (formerly Canadian Standards Association)

CWB: Canadian Welding Bureau NDT: Non-destructive testing

TSSA: Technical Standards and Safety Authority (Ontario)

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ANNEX B - BASIS OF PAYMENT

(Will be completed at contract award)



ANNEX C - SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST

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ANNEX D - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. The Contractor must obtain Commercial General Liability Insurance, and maintain it in force throughout the duration of the Contract, in an amount usual for a contract of this nature, but for not less than \$2,000,000 per accident or occurrence and in the annual aggregate.
- 2. The Commercial General Liability policy must include the following:
 - a. Additional Insured: Canada is added as an additional insured, but only with respect to liability arising out of the Contractor's performance of the Contract. The interest of Canada should read as follows: Canada, as represented by Natural Resources Canada.
 - b. Bodily Injury and Property Damage to third parties arising out of the operations of the Contractor.
 - Products and Completed Operations: Coverage for bodily injury or property damage arising out of goods or products manufactured, sold, handled, or distributed by the Contractor and/or arising out of operations that have been completed by the Contractor.
 - d. Personal Injury: While not limited to, the coverage must include Violation of Privacy, Libel and Slander, False Arrest, Detention or Imprisonment and Defamation of Character.
 - e. Cross Liability/Separation of Insureds: Without increasing the limit of liability, the policy must protect all insured parties to the full extent of coverage provided. Further, the policy must apply to each Insured in the same manner and to the same extent as if a separate policy had been issued to each.
 - Blanket Contractual Liability: The policy must, on a blanket basis or by specific reference to the Contract, extend to assumed liabilities with respect to contractual provisions.
 - Employees and, if applicable, Volunteers must be included as Additional Insured.
 - Employers' Liability (or confirmation that all employees are covered by Worker's compensation (WSIB) or similar program)
 - Broad Form Property Damage including Completed Operations: Expands the Property Damage coverage to include certain losses that would otherwise be excluded by the standard care, custody or control exclusion found in a standard policy.
 - Notice of Cancellation: The Contractor will provide the Contracting Authority thirty (30) days prior written notice of policy cancellation or any changes to the insurance policy.
 - k. If the policy is written on a claims-made basis, coverage must be in place for a period of at least 12 months after the completion or termination of the Contract.
 - Owners' or Contractors' Protective Liability: Covers the damages that the Contractor becomes legally obligated to pay arising out of the operations of a subcontractor.
 - m. Non-Owned Automobile Liability Coverage for suits against the Contractor resulting from the use of hired or non-owned vehicles.
 - n. Sudden and Accidental Pollution Liability (minimum 120 hours): To protect the Contractor for liabilities arising from damages caused by accidental pollution incidents.
 - o. Litigation Rights: Pursuant to subsection 5(d) of the Department of Justice Act, S.C. 1993, c. J-2, s.1, if a suit is instituted for or against Canada which the Insurer would, but for this clause, have the right to pursue or defend on behalf of Canada as an Additional Named Insured under the insurance policy, the Insurer must promptly contact the Attorney General of Canada to agree on the legal strategies by sending a letter, by registered mail or by courier, with an acknowledgement of receipt.



For the province of Quebec, send to:

Director Business Law Directorate, Quebec Regional Office (Ottawa), Department of Justice, 284 Wellington Street, Room SAT-6042, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0H8

For other provinces and territories, send to:

Senior General Counsel, Civil Litigation Section, Department of Justice 234 Wellington Street, East Tower Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8

A copy of the letter must be sent to the Contracting Authority. Canada reserves the right to codefend any action brought against Canada. All expenses incurred by Canada to co-defend such actions will be at Canada's expense. If Canada decides to co-defend any action brought against it, and Canada does not agree to a proposed settlement agreed to by the Contractor's insurer and the plaintiff(s) that would result in the settlement or dismissal of the action against Canada, then Canada will be responsible to the Contractor's insurer for any difference between the proposed settlement amount and the amount finally awarded or paid to the plaintiffs (inclusive of costs and interest) on behalf of Canada. Canada

APPENDIX 1 - EVALUATION CRITERIA

Bidders are advised to address these criteria in the following order and in sufficient depth in their proposals to enable a thorough assessment. NRCan's assessment will be based solely on the information contained within the proposal. NRCan may confirm information or seek clarification from bidders.

Bidders are advised that only listing experience without providing any supporting data to describe responsibilities, duties and relevance to the criteria will not be considered demonstrated for the purpose of this evaluation.

The Bidder should provide complete details as to where, when (month and year) and how (through which activities/ responsibilities) the stated qualifications/experience were obtained. Experience gained during formal education shall not be considered work experience. All criteria for work experience shall be obtained in a legitimate work environment as opposed to an educational setting. Co-op terms are considered work experience provided they are related to the required services.

Bidders are also advised that the month(s) of experience listed for a project whose time frame overlaps that of another referenced project will only be counted once. For example: project one time frame is July 2001 to December 2001; project two time frame is October 2001 to January 2002; the total months of experience for these two project references is seven (7) months.

1. **Technical Criteria**

1.1 **Mandatory Evaluation Criteria**

The Mandatory Criteria listed below will be evaluated on a simple pass/fail basis. Proposals which fail to meet the mandatory criteria will be deemed non-responsive.

Criterion ID	Mandatory Criteria	Proposal Page #	Pass/Fail
M1	The Bidder's Fabrication Shop MUST be located within 125km of the Bells Corners Complex (1 Haanel Dr. Ottawa, ON) and the TSSA Certificates of Authorization must be valid for that shop location.		
M2	The Bidder MUST possess a current and valid TSSA Certificate of Authorization for Boiler & Pressure Vessel Repair/Alteration (SHOP & FIELD). The Bidder MUST provide the valid certificate with the bid.		
М3	The Bidder MUST possess a current and valid TSSA Certificate of Authorization for Process Piping Installation ASME B31.3 (SHOP & FIELD) and for Process Piping Installation ASME B31.1 (SHOP & FIELD). The Bidder MUST provide the valid certificates with the bid.		

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M4	The Bidder MUST possess current and valid welding procedures for high pressure welding of stainless and carbon steels, including the following materials: - Carbon steel to carbon steel (P-1 to P-1) - Carbon steel to stainless steel (P-1 to P-8) - Stainless steel to stainless steel (P-8 to P-8) The Bidder MUST provide the valid procedures with the bid.		
M5	The Bidder MUST propose 2 resources and demonstrate that each resources has 5 years of continuous experience in welding & installation of pressure piping systems. The proposed resources MUST be certified in the following processes: - Gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW) - Gas metal arc welding (GMAW) - Shielded metal arc welding (SMAW) The Bidder MUST provide the CVs and valid certificates with the bid.		
M6	The Bidder MUST propose 2 resources with current and valid CWB or TSSA welding certifications. The Bidder MUST provide valid CWB or TSSA welder certificates for the 2 resources with the bid.		

APPENDIX 2 - FINANCIAL BID PRESENTATION SHEET

1. **Fees**

The all-inclusive firm hourly rate for the completion of this project is in Canadian funds and does not include applicable taxes.

This hourly rate must include costs associated with travel to and from NRCan's Bells Corners Complex (for field work), consumables and equipment required to complete the tasks defined in section 3 of the Annex A.

Α	В	С	D (BxC)						
CATEGORY OF PERSONNEL	FIRM HOURLY RATE **	NUMBER OF HOURS REQUIRED *	TOTAL ESTIMATE COSTS						
Welder Contract awarded date – March 31st, 2024	\$	750 hrs	\$						
OPTIONAL SERVICES									
Welder April 1 st , 2024 – March 31 st , 2025	\$	350 hrs	\$						
Welder April 1 st , 2025 – March 31 st , 2026	\$	250 hrs	\$						
Welder April 1 st , 2026 – March 31 st , 2027	\$	250 hrs	\$						
TOTAL TENDERED PRICE FO	\$								

^{*} Level of effort presented herein is used for evaluation purposes only and it is not a commitment by Canada. Any estimated level of effort specified in the Pricing Details detailed above is provided for financial proposal evaluation purposes only. It is only an approximation of the requirements and is not to be considered as a contract guarantee nor as a commitment by NRCan to respect those estimated in any resulting contract.

^{**} For any errors in the calculation, the hourly rate schedule will be upheld.