Request for proposal (RFP) under Competitive Method 2 against the Temporary Help Services (THS) for the National Capital Region (NCR) method of supply

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PART A: General information

This requirement is issued by the following department: Department of National Defence (DND)

The RFP reference number for this solicitation is: S4762134

The terms and conditions set out in <u>Supply Arrangement EN578-172870</u> between the SA holder and Canada, as represented by the Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC), are hereby incorporated into this document. The SA holder offers and agrees to sell and supply to the Minister, upon the terms and conditions set out herein, including the attachments hereto, the services listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefore. Responses to a RFP by an SA holder will be considered as an offer to sell.

2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements (2022-03-29) are incorporated into this document by reference.

1. Invitation to bid

Department of National Defence (DND) has a requirement for work that falls under the THS for the NCR supply arrangement. This requirement is open to the following THS for the NCR supply arrangement holders:

Aaron Aubin Consulting Inc. Adecco Employment Services Limited/Services de placement Adecco Limited ARTEMP PERSONNEL SERVICES INC Cache Computer Consulting Corp. CLOSEREACH LTD., OTUS STRATEGIC FINANCIAL BUSINESS PLANNING INC., Injoint Venture Contract Community Inc. Groupe Intersol Group Ltee. Maverin Inc. Newfound Recruiting Corporation OLAV CONSULTING CORP., MOSHWA ABORIGINAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION, IN JOINT VENTURE Quarry Consulting Inc. SoftSim Technologies Inc. Solutions LDC Inc. Thinkpoint Inc. Valcom Consulting group Inc.

The name and coordinates of the contracting authority can be found in Part D: Resulting contract clauses.

2. Bid response due date and time

Responses to this solicitation are to be sent by email to the following email address: <u>CFSGO-GTemporaryHelp-GSFCO-Gdaidetemporaire@forces.gc.ca</u>

Responses must be sent no later than the following date : January 3, 2023 **Responses must be sent no later than the following time :** 12:00PM ET Bidders must direct all enquiries to the email address above. A "Bidder's response form" is included in Part E of this document.

PART B: Requirement

1. Statement of work

The work to be undertaken is indicated below and in the statement of work at Annex A in Part D.

2. Estimated contract period

The estimated contract period will be from <u>January 8th 2024 to December 6th 2024</u> The contract length will be for <u>48 weeks.</u>

3. Resource or resources required

The following table is to identify to the bidder what the requirement is by providing the service category or categories, their level of expertise, the number of resources required, their need to be bilingual or not, number of references, Interview required or not and the estimated number of hours per resource.

Resource(s) required

Resource reference number		Level of expertise	Number of resources required	Must the resource be bilingual(Y/N)	Number of References***	Interview Required (Y/N)	
	10.1 - Communications	Senior	1	Yes	2	Yes	

Estimated number of hours per resource	Maximum number of resumes accepted under this requirement
1740	3

***Please provide references who can validate that the information submitted in response to the solicitation is accurate.

The following table is to identify to the supplier what is the language proficiency needed from the resource.

Language (English Essential, French Essential or Bilingual)	Oral	Comprehension	Written
Bilingual	Advanced	Advanced	Advanced

4. Work location

Hybrid 2-3 days a week. 60 Moodie Drive, Ottawa On.

5. Travel and Overtime requirements

Is there a travel or overtime requirement?

No

6. Security requirement

- 6.1 Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:
 - (a) the bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Annex C;
 - (b) the bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites must meet the security requirements as indicated in Annex C;
 - (c) the bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites;
 - (d) the bidder's proposed location of work performance and document safeguarding must meet the security requirements as indicated in Annex C, if a document safeguarding requirement is indicated;
 - the bidder must provide the addresses of proposed sites or premises of work performance and document safeguarding, if a document safeguarding requirement is indicated;
- 6.2 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.
- 6.3 For additional information on security requirements, bidders should refer to the <u>Contract</u> <u>Security Program</u>.

7. Use of individual protective equipment and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) guideline(s)

- 7.1 The following individual protective piece(s) of equipment is/are required while working on site:
 - face covering mask if required.

PART C: Basis of selection

1. Basis of selection method

Lowest price responsive

To be declared responsive, a bid must:

- i. comply with all the requirements of the RFP,
- ii. meet all minimum mandatory criteria for the THS categories identified in Part B; and,
- iii. meet all additional mandatory criteria included and security requirement below, if any are identified

Bids not meeting (i) or (ii) or (iii) will be declared non-responsive. <u>Minimum mandatory criteria</u> for THS categories can be found on the <u>THS for the NCR website</u>.

The bidder must clearly demonstrate how they meet each mandatory criteria. Bidders are advised that only listing experience without providing any supporting information or reusing the same wording as the RFP, will not be considered "demonstrated" for the purpose of this evaluation.

For each resume submitted, the bidder must ensure that:

- the proposed individual's name is clearly indicated
- the resume clearly states where, when and how the stated qualifications/experience of the individual were acquired, including contact information of a reference that can confirm the information provided
- the resume clearly demonstrates duties and relevance to the requirements

Furthermore, bidders are also advised that the month(s) of experience listed for a project whose timeframe overlaps that of another referenced project, will only be counted once.

The responsive bid with the lowest total evaluated price will be selected for award of a contract.

Number	Additional mandatory criteria	Cross reference to proposal [bidder to insert]
M1	Must clearly demonstrate 3 years' experience within the past 10 years in writing and delivering "internal communications" products and services within a Federal government department.	bidder to insert
M2	Must clearly demonstrate 1 years' experience within the past 10 years in creating and managing content for online communications platforms, including Sharepoint.	bidder to insert
М3	Must clearly demonstrate 1 years' experience within the past 10 years creating and delivering "change management" communications products.	bidder to insert
M4	Must clearly demonstrate 1 years' experience within the past 10 years in creating communications products for a security-	bidder to insert

Additional mandatory criteria:

**Security Requirement:

Number	Security Requirement as per the SRCL Form in Annex C	Comments
1	The bidder must hold a valid Reliability organization security clearance as indicated in Annex C.	Fill out the Security Clearance Form attached

**While we do accept pending security clearance / pending registered controlled goods program certificate as per Section 6.1 in Part B, the Contracting Authority may deem a bid nonresponsive if failing to meet the security requirement in time for the proposed start date.

2. In the case of an identical resource or identical resources proposed by more than one bidder

Following validation of the consent or proof of employment, if the successful bidder's proposed resource withdraws or becomes unable to provide the services before the contract award, the resource will no longer be considered from any other bidder who offered that same resource for the performance of the contract.

3. Replacement of a resource prior to contract award

If the successful bidder's proposed resource recommended for the contract award withdraws and/or becomes unable to provide its services for the performance of the contract, at any time between the closing date and time of the RFP and the award of the contract, the bidder must immediately inform the contracting authority of the reason for the replacement.

The bidder must propose, at the same hourly rate indicated in its bid, one replacement who must meet all of the mandatory requirements contained in the RFP and, if applicable, obtains an equal or higher score obtained by the originally proposed resource on the point rated criteria of the RFP. Upon request by the contracting authority and within the time allowed (minimum of one business day), the bidder must provide the necessary information to allow assessment of the replacement, including but not limited to, its name, qualifications and experience. Failure to respond to the request will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

4. Bid challenge and recourse mechanisms

Several mechanisms are available to potential suppliers to challenge aspects of the procurement process up to and including contract award.

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)

Bidders should note that there are **strict deadlines** for filing complaints, and the time periods vary depending on the complaint body in question. Bidders should therefore act quickly when they want to challenge any aspect of the procurement process.

PART D: Resulting contract clauses

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

1.0 Statement of work

The contractor must perform the work in accordance with the Statement of work at Annex A.

2.0 Standard clauses and conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the contract by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard</u> <u>Acquisition Clauses and Conditions</u> Manual issued by Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC).

2.1 General conditions

2010B (2022-12-01) General conditions: Professional services (medium complexity) apply to and form part of the contract.

3.0 THS resulting contract clauses

The resulting contract clauses enumerated in the contractor's THS for the NCR <u>supply arrangement</u> apply to and form part of the contract.

4.0 Security requirement

Security requirement for Canadian supplier: Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) file S4762134 Common-professional services security requirement check list #6

- 1. The contractor/offeror must, at all times during the performance of the contract/standing offer, hold a valid designated organization screening (DOS), issued by the Contract Security Program (CSP), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)
- The contractor/offeror personnel requiring access to protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must each hold a valid reliability status, granted or approved by the CSP, PWGSC
- The contractor/offeror must not remove any protected information or assets from the identified work site(s), and the contractor/offeror must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction
- 4. Subcontracts which contain security requirements are **not** to be awarded without the prior written permission of the CSP, PWGSC
- 5. The contractor/offeror 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)

4.1 Use of individual protective equipment and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) guideline(s)

The Contractor warrants that its resources will follow at all times the OHS guidelines in force in the workplace during the contract period. Canada reserves the right to modify the OHS guideline, if required, to include any future recommendations proposed by the Public Health Agencies.

5.0 Term of contract

5.1 Period of contract

[To be inserted at contract award]

5.2 Maximum duration of contracts

A contract awarded under the THS for the NCR supply arrangement must not exceeds 48 consecutive weeks including all absences.

On an exceptional basis only, a contract may be amended to extend the duration of an assignment period up to a maximum of 24 consecutive weeks beyond the limit of 48 consecutive weeks (example total extended duration must not exceed 72 consecutive weeks) on the condition that the following requirements are met:

- i. the duration of the assignment period, including any contract amendments that impact the assignment period, must be more than 40 consecutive weeks;
- ii. the amendment to extend the duration of the assignment period must be issued after the first 40 consecutive weeks of the assignment period; and
- iii. the contracting authority must notify THS for the NCR of the issued amendment by email within 2 business days of issuing the amendment.

The contractor agrees that, during the extended periods of the contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in Annex B: Basis of payment.

6.0 Authorities

6.1 Contracting authority

The contracting authority for the contract is:

[To be inserted at contract award]

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.

6.2 Technical authority

The technical authority for the contract is:

[To be inserted at contract award]

The technical 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 technical authority; however, the technical 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.

6.3 Contractor's representative

[To be inserted at contract award]

7.0 **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 <u>Public</u> <u>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.

8.0 Payment

8.1 Basis of payment

The contractor will be paid for the actual hours worked at the firm hourly rates in Annex B: Basis of payment. The contractor will be paid an initial half hour minimum charge calculated from the time the contractor's employee arrives on-site. Customs duties are included and applicable taxes are extra.

8.1.1 Travel and living expenses

Canada will not accept any travel and living expenses incurred by the contractor in the performance of the work, for:

- services provided within the National Capital Region (NCR). The National Capital Region (NCR) is defined in the National Capital Act (Revised Statutes of Canada), 1985, c.N-4, S.2. The National Capital Act is available on the Justice website: <u>https://laws.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/N-4/</u>
- (ii) any travel between the contractor's place of business and the NCR.

8.2 Method of 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:

- an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided at 8.2.1 below;
- all such documents have been verified by Canada;
- the work performed has been accepted by Canada.

9.0 Certifications 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.

9.1 Compliance with on-site measures, standing orders, policies, and rules

The contractor must comply and ensure that its employees and subcontractors comply with all security measures, standing orders, policies or other rules in force at the site where the work is performed.

10.0 Applicable laws

The contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario. [May be revised by contractor before contract award]

11.0 **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.

- 1. The Articles of Agreement
- 2. the THS for the NCR supply arrangement (SA) resulting contract clauses
- 3. 2010B (2022-12-01) General conditions: Professional services (medium complexity)
- 4. Annex A: Statement of work
- 5. Annex B: Basis of payment
- 6. the Security requirements check list at Annex C (if applicable)
- 7. the contractor's bid dated _____ [To be inserted at contract award]

12.0 Discretionary audit - non-commercial goods and/or services

The estimated amount of profit included in the contractor's price or rate certification is subject to audit by Canada, before or after payment is made to the contractor under the conditions of the contract. The purpose of the audit would be to determine whether the actual profit earned on a single contract if only one exists, or the aggregate of actual profit earned by the contractor on a series of negotiated firm price and fixed-time rate contracts performed during a particular period selected, is reasonable and justifiable based on the estimated amount of profit included in earlier price or rate certification(s).

If the audit demonstrates that the actual profit is not reasonable and justifiable, as defined above, the contractor must repay Canada the amount found to be in excess.

13.0 Foreign nationals (Canadian contractor)

The contractor must comply with Canadian immigration requirements applicable to foreign nationals entering Canada to work temporarily in fulfillment of the contract. If the contractor wishes to hire a foreign national to work in Canada to fulfill the Contract, the contractor should immediately contact the nearest Service Canada regional office to enquire about Citizenship and Immigration Canada's requirements to issue a temporary work permit to a foreign national. The contractor is responsible for all costs incurred as a result of non-compliance with immigration requirements.

14.0 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 "<u>Dispute Resolution</u>".

15.0 Insurance

The contractor is responsible for deciding if insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any insurance acquired or maintained by the contractor is at its own expense and for its own benefit and protection. It does not release the contractor from or reduce its liability under the contract.

16.0 Defence Production Act

SACC Manual clause A9006C (2012-07-16) Defence Contract

ANNEX A – Statement of work

1. Scope

The CIO Group is requesting one (1) 10.1 Senior Communications advisor to provide strategic communications oversight and guidance for the CIO Group Repositioning Initiative.

1.1. Objective

The objective of this request is to ensure effective communication planning, content creation, and information delivery to Department of National Defence (DND) / Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) personnel. Based on the needs of key stakeholders, business management teams (BMT's), and leadership, information should be delivered in an efficient and timely manner. Efforts should be taken to explore critical communications opportunities, tools, and tactics.

1.2. Background

COS(CIO)

COS(CIO) is the resource manager for CIO GP ensuring that Chief Information Officer Group has the necessary support and administrative structure to conduct business. COS(CIO) provides strategic planning, management, oversight, and reporting and ensures activities are aligned to government and defence priorities.

COS(CIO)'s main priorities are:

- Providing internal services, including financial management, military and civilian human resource (HR) management, and information services
- Providing issues management, client relations, communications, and business planning services
- Synchronizing IM/IT strategic initiatives and coordinating IM/IT corporate submissions
- Providing investment/project oversight and reporting to Treasury Board

Director, Information Management, Comptrollership and Business Management (DIMCBM) provides various administrative, business management, communications functions, financial, and human resources to CIO Group members.

The CIO Group Communications leads the delivery of communications services, advice, support, and products to the CIO Group. Our services include internal to CIO Group and DND/CAF communications, external to the media and the public communications, intranet, etc. \

CIO GROUP REPOSITIONING

The operating environment, departmental mandate, and technology have evolved over the last number of years – and so the CIO Group at DND must adapt. The CIO Group repositioning is the next step in our evolution from ADM(IM) to the CIO Group. It will help us to meet DND/CAF's digital ambition, streamline how we serve the Defence team, and ensure we keep pace with industry and our allies. Ultimately, the repositioning is a vital step towards future-proofing our national defence.

Through repositioning we hope to bring more clarity to areas of responsibility, streamline how we operate as an organization and engage partners, and remove roadblocks to empower personnel to excel and fulfill the primary mission to support the CAF.

This CIO Group repositioning will be a gradual and iterative process, with Phase 1 beginning in January 2024 and continuing into the next fiscal year. As we move forward there will be many opportunities to seek input and communicate out, take stock of our progress, learn from our mistakes, and adjust our path as required.

CIO Group repositioning will address the future of our organization, its structure, and our product delivery model. As communicators, our job is to provide DND/CAF personnel with the information they need to navigate the changes ahead.

2. Requirement

The requirement to hire a Senior Communications advisor is critical to meet the ambitions of the CIO Group Communication Team in relation to the repositioning of the CIO Group.

2.1. Scope of work

Requirement - Provide communications support to CIO Group personnel and the leadership team related to the CIO Group Repositioning Initiative at DND.

A Senior Communications advisor is required to:

- Assess the current status of the CIO Group Repositioning Initiative and the effectiveness of communications efforts to date.
- Determine best practices to communicate the change based on leadership expectations and audience needs.
- Refine the repositioning communications strategy to account for the evolving nature of this initiative.
- Create communications content and products that best deliver on the objectives of this initiative.
- Monitor and report on progress related to communicating the change.

2.2. Travel and Overtime costs

Travel and/or overtime will not be required for the completion of tasks and will therefore not be reimbursed.

2.3. Tasks

Throughout the contract period, the resource must execute the following tasks as outlined in the scope of work.:

1. Conduct initial assessment.

- a. Assess current communications barriers, challenges, and opportunities related to this organizational change.
- b. Engage with the leadership team and communications personnel to determine communications requirements and best options to obtain employee buy-in.
- c. Liaise with internal stakeholders (including Business Management Teams -BMTs) to determine how best to deliver information so that it is readily consumed and actioned.
- d. Gather data on current DND processes in order to set realistic communication timelines.
- e. Assess communications tools, platforms and vehicles available to DND/CAF personnel (i.e. Sharepoint, newsletters, email, intranet, etc.)

2. Refine communications strategy.

- a. Align communications deliverables with organizational objectives for the repositioning.
- b. Clearly articulate the communications goals and timelines for each phase of the repositioning exercise.
- c. Develop key messaging for each phase of the repositioning effort.

- d. Assess resources and identify gaps based on scope/requirements.
- e. Evaluate our results to date and modify strategy based on lessons learned and best communications practices.

3. Create communications content:

- a. Plan, edit and write content for a variety of internal communications mediums, such as a staff intranet, newsletters, etc.)
- b. Create articles and messages for external audiences when required.
- c. Respond to feedback from staff and adjust communications content accordingly.
- d. Keep DND/CAF personnel abreast of progress and answer their questions, seeking input and approval from senior management.
- e. Draft messages or speaking notes for senior executives for presentation to internal or external audiences.
- f. Assist with the creation of communications materials for DND/CAF events related to the repositioning.
- g. Ensure internal communications messages are consistent across all mediums and for different departments of the organization.

4. Assess impact and adjust.

- a. Implement and report on key performance indicators to measure the impact of the repositioning initiative.
- b. Advise senior executives of developments, either face to face or through regular written communication
- c. Solicit feedback from employees and stakeholders in order to Identify areas for improvement.
- d. Adjust communication strategy as needed to address evolving challenges

ANNEX B – Basis of payment

The winning bidder's rates will be included here at the time of contract award.

ANNEX C – Security requirements check list

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Government Gouvernement du Canada

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PART E: Bidder response form

In addition to providing a completed version of this form, it is the Bidder's responsibility to include all relevant information required to meet all RFP requirements and evaluation criteria.

Bidder information:

Legal name of bidder: _____ Procurement Business Number (PBN) of bidder: _____

Bidder's representative:

Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder:

Name of authorized bidder representative:				
Telephone no. of authorized bidder representative:				
Email address of authorized bidder representative:				

The bidder:

Is submitting a bid in response to this RFP: YES ____ NO ____

Proposed resource(s) pricing

Resource ref number / Name of resource	Avnertise	Required personnel security screening	Bilingual (Y/N)	Firm hourly rate*	Fetimated	Total estimated cost (GST/HST excluded)
	10.1 – Communications - Senior	Secret	Yes	\$	1740	\$
Sub-total:						\$
Applicable taxes:					\$	
Total bid price:				\$		

<u>*The hourly rate for the proposed resource must remain the same in the event that the bidder</u> submits more than 1 resume for a specific category.

Certifications precedent to contract award

The certifications set out below are to be completed and submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the contracting authority will so inform the bidder and provide the bidder with a time frame within which to meet the requirement.

Compliance with the certifications bidders provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the bid evaluation period (before award of a contract) and after contract award. The contracting authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify bidders' compliance with the certifications before award of a contract. The bid will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the bidder is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications or to comply with the request of the contracting authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

a) Integrity Provisions – required documentation

By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder and its Affiliates are in compliance with the provisions as stated in <u>Section 01 Integrity Provisions – Bid of Standard Instructions – Foods or</u> <u>Services – Competitive Requirements</u>. The associated information required within the Integrity Provisions will assist Canada in confirming that the certifications are true.

Pursuant to section 01 of Standard Instructions 2003, bidders who are incorporated or a sole proprietorship, including those bidding as a joint venture, must submit a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the bidder, or the name of the owner, as applicable. Bidders bidding as societies, firms or partnerships do not need to provide a list of names. Furthermore, as determined by the Special Investigations Directorate, Departmental Oversight Branch, each individual named on the list may be requested to complete Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form and provide associated information. Consult sections <u>4.21. Integrity Provisions</u>, <u>5.16. Integrity Compliant</u>, and <u>8.70.2. Compliance with the Integrity Provisions</u> of the Supply Manual.

b) 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 <u>Employment and Social</u> <u>Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour's</u> 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.

c) Price certification

The bidder must provide, on Canada's request, one or more of the following price support, if applicable:

- a. a current published price list indicating the percentage discount available to Canada; or
- b. copies of paid invoices for the like quality and quantity of the goods, services or both sold to other customers; or
- c. 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
- d. price or rate certifications; or
- e. any other supporting documentation as requested by Canada.

d) Consent and replacement of resource

The bidder must provide a written/electronic consent signed by the proposed resource or resources before the closing date and time of this RFP. In cases where the proposed resource is a full time employee of the bidder, a proof of employment signed by an authorized representative of the bidder, such as Chief Financial Officer or Human Resource Director must be provided.

To be considered valid, the written/electronic consent or proof of employment must have been obtained/signed during the solicitation period and reference the solicitation number. It must also include a statement confirming the availability of the resource for the performance of the contract

during the period mentioned in the RFP. Failure to provide the proper documentation will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

By providing either a written/electronic consent or proof of employment, the bidder certifies that the information included on the consent or proof of employment for the proposed resource, for this requirement, is true and accurate.

e) Former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension

As per the definition provided under SACC Manual clause <u>A3025T -Former Public Servant -</u> Competitive (2020-05-04) is the bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension?

Yes () No ()

If so, the bidder must provide the following information, for all FPSs in receipt of a pension, as applicable:

- a. the name of former public servant
- b. the 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 <u>Contracting Policy Notice: 2019-01 of the</u> <u>Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada</u> and the <u>Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts</u>.

f) Work force adjustment directive

Is the bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the <u>Work Force</u> <u>Adjustment Directive</u>?

Yes () No ()

If so, the bidder must provide the following information:

- a. the name of former public servant
- b. the conditions of the lump sum payment incentive
- c. the date of termination of employment
- d. the amount of lump sum payment
- e. the rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based
- f. the period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks

g. the number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force adjustment program

By submitting a bid, the bidder confirms they understand and acknowledge the above terms and conditions.

Person authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder or the Firm (print name):

Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date: