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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL / DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION

RETURN BIDS TO / RETOURNER LES SOUMISSIONS À:

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Proposal To: National Defence 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 and services listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefore.

Proposition à : Défense nationale Canada

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté le Roi du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens et services énumérés ici et sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indique(s).

Title / Titre:	Solicitation No / No de l'invitation:
SSDs in support of eFP Lativia	W8486-249630
Date of Solicitation / Date de l'invitation:	
20 March 2024	
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Instructions:

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

Instructions:

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

Solicitation Closes / L'invitation prend fin:	Delivery required / Livraison exigée:	Delivery offered / Livraison proposée:
	06 May 2024	
At / à :	Vendor Name and Address / Raison sociale et ad	dresse du fournisseur:
14:00pm Eastern Standard Time		
On / le : 04 April 2024		
		eehalf of vendor (type or print) / Nom et titre de la personne
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	Signature:	Date:
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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Security Requirements

There is no security requirement associated with this bid solicitation.

1.2 Statement of Requirement

The requirement is detailed under the Annex 'A' Statement of Requirement.

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 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

1.4 National Security Exception

The national security exceptions provided for in the trade agreements have been invoked; therefore, this procurement is excluded from all of the obligations of all the trade agreements.

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 and Services – Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation, with the following modifications:

- a) Section 02, Procurement Business Number, is deleted in its entirety.
- b) Section 20(2), Further Information is deleted in its entirety.
- c) Subsection 2.d. of Section 05, Submission of Bids, is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Send its bid only to the address specified in the bid solicitation.

- d) Section 06, Late Bids, is deleted in its entirety;
- e) The text under Section 07, Delayed Bids, is deleted in its
- f) Subsection 1 of Section 08, Transmission by facsimile or by Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service, is deleted in its entirety.
- g) Technical Difficulties of Bid Transmission

Despite anything to the contrary in (05), (06) or (08) of the Standard Instructions, where a Bidder has commenced transmission of its bid through an electronic submission method (such as facsimile or Canada

Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service, or other online service) in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time, but due to technical difficulties, Canada was unable to receive or decode the entirety of the

Bid by the deadline, Canada may nonetheless accept the entirety of the Bid received after the bid solicitation closing date and time, provided that the Bidder can demonstrate the following:

(i) The bidder contacted Canada in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time to attempt to resolve its technical difficulties; or

(ii) The electronic properties of the Bid documentation clearly indicate that all components of the Bid were prepared in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time.

Completeness of the Bid

After the closing date and time of this bid solicitation, Canada will examine the Bid to determine completeness. The review for completeness will be limited to identifying whether any information submitted as part of the bid can be accessed, opened, and/or decoded. This review does not constitute an evaluation of the content, will not assess whether the Bid meets any standard or is responsive to all solicitation requirements, but will be solely limited to assessing completeness. Canada will provide the Bidder with the opportunity to submit information found to be missing or incomplete in this review within two business days of notice. Specifically, the bid will be reviewed and deemed to be complete when the following elements have been submitted by the bidder:

1. That certifications and securities required at bid closing are included.

2. That bids are properly signed, that the bidder is properly identified.

3. Acceptance of the terms and conditions of the bid solicitation and resulting contract.

4. That all documents created prior to bid closing but due to technical difficulties Canada was unable to receive them, have been properly submitted and received by Canada.

5. All certifications, declarations and proofs created prior to bid closing but due to technical difficulties Canada was unable to receive them, have been properly submitted and received by Canada.

2.1.1 Equivalent Products

(a) This bid solicitation includes requirements to propose equipment (each, a Line Item) that has been specified by a part number in order to ensure compatibility, interoperability and interchangeability with existing equipment owned by Canada.

(b) Where equipment has been described in this bid solicitation by part number and more than one part number is listed as associated with a single Line Item, equivalency will be assessed against the first part number, referred to as the Item of Supply. Other part numbers listed under that Line Item will be considered to meet the requirement without requiring an assessment as an equivalent product.

(c) Proposed equipment that is a replacement part number (superseded or obsolete) from the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the Item of Supply listed under a Line Item must be assessed as an equivalent product under this Article, in order to be considered to meet the requirement.

(d) If a bidder intends to propose a part as an equivalent to a required Item of Supply, and it has or is able to obtain complete specifications for the Item of Supply, it must provide to Canada in its bid this Item of Supply specification, along with the specification established for its proposed equivalent. Canada may instruct the bidder to use the provided Item of Supply specification, or another specification provided by Canada, for the purposes of demonstrating equivalency. If the

Item of Supply specification is provided by Canada to the bidder, it will be made available to all bidders at the same time. During the evaluation period, the bidder must provide to Canada an analysis within seven business days of the request to do so, showing a comparison of the specification of its proposed equivalent part with the Item of Supply specification. The analysis must demonstrate that the proposed equivalent part is equivalent in fit, form, function, quality and performance to the required Item of Supply, that it meets any mandatory performance criteria identified in the solicitation, and that the proposed equivalent is fully compatible, interoperable and interchangeable with existing equipment identified in the bid solicitation. If the analysis submitted by the bidder does not demonstrate to the satisfaction of Canada such requirements, the bid will either be declared non-responsive, or will be subject to further evaluation if sampling is requested by Canada.

(e) It is the responsibility of the Bidder to include all information required to evaluate the proposed equivalent product as described above; however, all bidders acknowledge that Canada will have the right, but not the obligation, to request any additional information during the evaluation that it requires to make a determination regarding the product proposed.

(f) The bidder must provide the number of samples of its proposed equivalent part requested by Canada, transportation charges prepaid, and without charge to Canada, within three business days from the date of a request by the Contracting Authority:

- (i) if no specifications for the Item of Supply acceptable to Canada are available for the assessment above, or
- (ii) if, in addition to the evaluation of the analysis submitted under paragraph 1, Canada wishes to perform testing on the proposed equivalent part to make its determination regarding whether the part is equivalent in form, fit, function, quality and performance. Canada also reserves the right to conduct testing regarding other aspects of equivalency, such as durability and interoperability, as compared to the Item of Supply. All tests will be documented by Canada. A sample submitted by a Bidder will remain the property of Canada and will not be considered as part of the deliverables in any resulting contract. If the testing does not demonstrate equivalency with respect to the aspects tested by Canada, the bid will be declared non-responsive.
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If:

(i) at least one bid is received proposing an equivalent part,

(ii) no acceptable specifications of the requested Item of supply are provided by the bidder proposing the equivalent,

(iii) no acceptable specifications of the requested Item of Supply are available to Canada, and

(iv) Canada is unable to test a sample for any reason (including that the Item of Supply being procured is new to use, or its interoperable parts are not available for use in testing),

then,

(i) if there are two (2) or more responsive bids in respect of the Item of Supply (not an equivalent), the evaluation process will be limited to those responsive bids.

2.1.2 Substitute Products - Samples (Department of National Defence)

If the Bidder offers a substitute product, Canada reserves the right to request a sample from the Bidder in order to determine its equivalency in form, fit, function, quality and performance to the item specified in the bid solicitation.

The Bidder must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide a sample to the Technical Authority, transportation charges prepaid, and without charge to Canada, within 7 calendar days from the date of request. The sample submitted by the Bidder will remain the property of Canada and will not be considered as part of the deliverables in any resulting contract. If the sample does not meet the requirements of the bid solicitation or the Bidder fails to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority, the bid will be declared non-responsive.

2.2 Submission of Bids

a) Bids must be submitted only to the Department of National Defence by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation. Bids must be received electronically as noted in subparagraph b).

b) Electronic Submissions: Individual e-mails exceeding five (5) megabytes, or that includes other factors such as embedded macros and/or links, may be rejected by the DND e-mail system and/or firewall(s) without notice to the Bidder or Contracting Authority. Larger bids may be submitted through more than one e-mail. The Contracting Authority will confirm receipt of documents. It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that the Contracting Authority has received the entire submission. Bidders should not assume that all documents have been received unless the Contracting Authority confirms receipt of each document. In order to minimize the potential for technical issues, Bidders are requested to allow sufficient time before the closing time and date to confirm receipt. Technical and financial documents received after the closing time and date will not be accepted.

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

2.3 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.

2.4 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.

2.5 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</u> <u>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.

PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by CPC Connect service and by facsimile will not be accepted.

Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid Section II: Financial Bid Section III: Certifications Section IV: Additional Information

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

Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) format;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, Bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid as follows:

Bidders must submit firm prices, Delivered Duty Paid (DDP) at 25 CFSD Montreal Depot, 6363 Notre Dame St. East, Montreal, QC, Incoterms 2010, Applicable Taxes excluded. The total amount of Applicable Taxes must be shown separately.

Bids must be submitted in Canadian dollars.

3.1.1 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Bid

If you are willing to accept payment of invoices by Electronic Payment Instruments, complete Annex "B" Electronic Payment Instruments, to identify which ones are accepted.

If Annex "B" Electronic Payment Instruments is not completed, it will be considered as if Electronic Payment Instruments are not being accepted for payment of invoices.

Acceptance of Electronic Payment Instruments will not be considered as an evaluation criterion.

3.1.2 SACC Manual Clauses

Section III: Certifications

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

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

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

4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

SACC Manual Clause A0031T (2010-08-16), Basis of Selection – Mandatory Technical Criteria

The bidders must provide the part number as noted in Annex 'A'.

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

The price of the bid will be evaluated in Canadian dollars, Delivered Duty Paid (DDP) at (25 CFSD Montreal Depot, 6363 Notre Dame St. East, Montreal, QC), Incoterms 2010, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included, Applicable Taxes excluded.

4.2 Basis of Selection

SACC Manual Clause A0031T (2010-08-16), Basis of Selection – Mandatory Technical Criteria

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 declaration form available on the <u>Forms for the Integrity Regime</u> 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 provided will render the bid non-responsive.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation

In accordance with the section titled Information to be provided when bidding, contracting or entering into a real property agreement of the <u>Ineligibility and Suspension Policy</u> (http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html), the Bidder must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2.2 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.

PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

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

6.1 Security Requirements

6.1.1 There is no security requirement applicable to the Contract.

6.2 Statement of Requirement

The Contractor must provide the items detailed listed at Annex 'A' Statement of Requirement.

6.3 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 Manual</u> (https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standardacquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

6.3.1 General Conditions

SACC Manual clause <u>2010A</u> (2022-12-01), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract, with the following modifications:

a. Definition of Minister is modified as follows:

"Canada", "Crown", "His Majesty" or "the Government" means His Majesty the King in right of Canada as represented by the Minister of National Defence and any other person duly authorized to act on behalf of that minister or, if applicable, an appropriate minister to whom the Minister of National Defence has delegated his or her powers, duties or functions and any other person duly authorized to act on behalf of that minister.

b. Subsection 5 of the applicable General Conditions are amended as follows:

Delete:

5. The Contractor must maintain such records at all times during the term of this Contract and for a period of seven years after it receives the final payment under the Contract, or until the settlement of all outstanding claims and disputes, whichever is later.

Insert:

5. The Contractor must maintain such records, and Canada and its authorized representatives will have the right to examine such records, at all times during the term of this Contract and for a period of seven years after it receives the final payment under the Contract, or until the settlement of all outstanding claims and disputes, whichever is later. Should an examination reveal any overpayments by Canada, these will be claimed by Canada and immediately repaid by the Contractor.

6.4 Term of Contract

6.4.1 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received on or before 06 May 2024.

If the deliverables are not received by the delivery date, the Contracting Authority will take action in accordance with the General Conditions 2010A 23 sub section 1.

6.4.5 Delivery Points

Delivery of the requirement will be made to delivery point(s) specified at Annex "A" of the Contract.

6.5 Authorities

6.5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name: Greg Evans

Title: Materiel Acquisition and Support Officer Department of National Defence Directorate: Directorate Land Procurement 12-5-1

Telephone: 343-550-2143 E-mail address: gregory.evans3@forces.gc.ca

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.

6.5.2 Technical Authority

The Technical Authority will be identified 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.

6.5.2 Contractor's Representative

Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Address:	
Telephone:	

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Facsimile:	
E-mail address:	

6.6 Payment

6.6.1 Basis of Payment

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a *firm price* as noted in Annex 'A' for a total contract value of \$_____, Customs duties are *included* and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.6.2 Terms of Payment

SACC Manual clause H1001C (2008-05-12) Multiple Payments

6.6.3 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Contract

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

a. Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);

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b. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);

6.6.4 Auditing

Canada reserves the right to recover amounts and make adjustments to amounts payable to the Contractor where an examination of the Contractor's records has identified amounts allocated to the Contract that are not in accordance with the Contract terms.

Where the results of an examination indicate that an overpayment by Canada has occurred, such overpayment is due and payable on the date indicated in the notice of overpayment.

6.7 Invoicing Instructions

- 1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
- 2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:
 - a. The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the address shown on page 1 of the Contract for certification and payment.
 - b. One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

6.8 Certifications and Additional Information

6.8.1 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.

6.9 Applicable Laws

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

6.10 **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.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) the general conditions <u>2010A (</u>2022-12-01), General Conditions Goods (Medium Complexity);
- (c) Annex 'A', Statement of Requirements;
- (d) the Contractor's bid dated _____ (*insert date of bid*)

6.11 Defence Contract

SACC Manual clause <u>A9006C</u> (2012-07-16) Defence Contract

6.12 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Manual clause B7500C (2006-06-16), Excess Goods

SACC Manual clause G1005C (2016-01-28), Insurance - No Specific Requirement

SACC Manual clause D2025C (2017-08-17), Wood Packaging Materials

SACC Manual clause <u>D6010C</u> (2007-11-30), Palletization

SACC Manual clause D2001C (2007-11-30), Labelling

SACC Manual clause A9131C (2020-11-19), Controlled Goods Program - Contract

SACC Manual clause <u>B4060C</u> (2011-05-16), Controlled Goods

SACC Manual clause D0024C (2008-05-12), Liquidated Damages

- 1. If the Contractor fails to deliver the goods within the time specified in the Contract, the Contractor agrees to pay to Canada liquidated damages in the amount of \$1000 for each calendar day of delay. The total amount of the liquidated damages must not exceed 10 percent of the contract price.
- 2. Canada and the Contractor agree that the amount stated above is their best pre-estimate of the loss to Canada in the event of such a failure, and that it is not intended to be, nor is it to be interpreted as, a penalty.
- 3. Canada will have the right to hold back, drawback, deduct or set off from and against the amounts of any monies owing at any time by Canada to the Contractor, any liquidated damages owing and unpaid under this section.
- 4. Nothing in this section must be interpreted as limiting the rights and remedies which Canada may otherwise have under the Contract.

6.13 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>".

6.14 Quality Assurance

SACC Manual clause <u>D5545C</u> (2019-05-30), ISO 9001:2015 – Quality Management Systems Requirement (Quality Assurance Code C)

ANNEX "A" STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENT

Item / Articles	Part Numbers / Numéro de pièces	Description / Déscription	Unit of Issue / Unité de distribution	Quantity / Quantité	Destination Address / Addresse de la déstination	Invoice Address / Addresse de facturation	Security Requirement / Exigences relatives à la sécurité	Quality Assurance Code (QAC) / Code	PRIX UNITAIRE	EXTENDED PRICE: Applicable taxes extra / PRIX UNITAIRE FERME: Taxes applicables en sus	TOTAL PRICE: Applicable taxes Included / PRIX COM PRIS: Taxes applicables inclus
	Samsung PM893 7.68TB					Deparment of National					
	PN: MZ-7L37T600					Defence					
	NSN: 7050-37-553-1183	8TB SSD proven to work in RAID 6				C.P, 4000 SUCC K MONTREAL					
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Mandatory Technical Requirement

If an equivalent Solid State Drive (SSD) is proposed, it must meet the following mandatory requirements:

A1.1	The SSD must have a minimum Sequential Read Speed of 540 Mbps.
A1.2	The SSD must have a minimum Sequential Write Speed of 520 Mbps.
A1.3	The SSD must have a SATA 6 Gb/s Interface and be compatible with SATA 3 Gb/s and SATA 1.5 Gb/s interfaces.
A1.4	The SSD must have a minimum Random Read Speed of 93,000 IOPS
A1.5	The SSD must have a minimum Random Write Speed of 30,000 IOPS
A1.6	The SSD must support TRIM.
A1.7	The SSD must have AES 256-bit Encryption conforming to TCG Opal v2.0
A1.8	The SSD must not exceed an Active Power Consumption (Read) of 2.8 W
A1.9	The SSD must not exceed an Active Power Consumption (Write) of 3.9 W
A1.10	The SSD must not exceed an Idle Power Consumption of 1.5W
A1.11	The SSD must have an Allowable Voltage of 5V (+/-5%)
A1.12	The SSD must be rated for an operating temperature of 0 degrees to 70 degrees Celsius
A1.13	The SSD must conform to the "2.5 inch x 7.0mm" SATA Form Factor
A1.14	The SSD must have a minimum life time drive write capacity of 9000TB
A1.15	The SSD must be able to be configured into a RAID 6 configuration in a PacStar 455 Server.
A1.16	The SSD must be able to perform multiple power cycles of the server, and maintain the RAID utility

All the deliverables must be received on or before 6 May 2024.

ANNEX "B" to PART 3 OF THE BID SOLICITATION

ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS

The Bidder accepts any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- () Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- () Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);