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# **Request for Proposal (RFP)** AMENDMENT

## Demande de proposition (DDP) **MODIFICATION**

#### 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.

#### Proposition à: Ressources Naturelles 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 cijointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

Comments – Commentaires

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Natural Resources Canada Finance and Procurement Management Branch 1055 du P.E.P.S., PO BOX 10380 Quebec, QC G1V 4C7

### Title – Sujet

175255

## Study on Global and Canadian Investment Trends in **Critical Mineral Supply Chains.**

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Solicitation No. - No de l'invitation Date NRCan-5000072188 August 21, 2023 Amendment No. - Modification No.

Requisition Reference No. - Nº de la demande

Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin

at - à 02:00 PM (EDT)

on –September 6, 2023

Address Enquiries to: - Adresse toutes questions à:

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Destination – of Goods and Services: Destination – des biens et services:

Natural Resources Canada 580 Booth Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0E4

Security – Sécurité

There are no security requirements associated with this requirement.

Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur

Telephone No.:- No. de téléphone: Email - Courriel :

Name and Title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)

Date

Signature



This Amendment 009 of RFP #5000072188 is issued to:

Respond to a question. •

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#### **QUESTION NO. 1:**

The breath of commodities referenced and the timeline (especially the interim report within 4 weeks). Can the commodities be prioritised and what flexibility is there on the timeline?

#### ANSWER NO. 1:

Please refer to Amendment 007 for information on timeline flexibility and to Amendment 008 for details on which critical minerals are to be included in the bid proposal and final product.

#### **QUESTION NO. 2:**

In light of the nature of a "public facing" report, how would this align with the objective of the study and actions to be taken after receiving the study. A more effective strategic route may be the option of developing a confidential, internal report (rather than appendix) and a public facing report.

#### ANSWER NO. 2:

The rationale for requesting that confidential information be included in an appendix is to permit the Government of Canada to easily share the report with relevant internal (i.e. within the Federal Government) and external stakeholders (appendix omitted for external stakeholders) to the Federal Government without limiting the thoroughness of the analysis undertaken by the contractor. The main body of the report should clearly identify high level findings and policy recommendations per Section 1.2.1.

However, the contractor is not prohibited from developing two reports – the former including detailed analysis and the latter excluding any confidential or proprietary information, provided that both reports respect the requirements under Section 1.2.1 and align in their conclusions and recommendations.

#### **QUESTION NO. 3:**

What is the "probability" of an international consultancy despite my Canadian residency winning this assignment vs any preference you may have for an existing consultancy to Natural Resources Canada or Canadian registered company winning this assignment.

#### ANSWER NO. 3:

The Region of Opportunity is listed as Canada, which indicates where the contract will be managed from. Therefore, any contractors can bid on the tender.

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