

Professional Audit Support Services (PASS) Requirement

This requirement is for: ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE CANADA.

This requirement is open only to those Supply Arrangement Holders under E60ZQ-180001 who qualified under Tier 1 and under the stated consultant category, region, security level for the following work streams:

Stream 8 - Recipient/Contribution Agreement Audit Stream 4 - Forensic Audit

The requirement is intended to result in the award of three (3) contracts.

The following SA Holders have been invited to submit a proposal.

Altis Human Resources (Ottawa) Inc. **BDO Canada LLP** Deloitte LLP Ernst & Young LLP KPMG LLP MNP LLP PriceWaterhouse Coopers LLP

Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton Consulting Inc

RSM Canada Consulting LP; RSM Alberta LLP, Government Solutions Group LLP - in joint

Samson & Associes CPA/Consultation Inc

This list will not be updated if additional suppliers request copies of the bid solicitation.

Only selected PASS SA Holders currently holding a PASS SA under the E60ZQ-180001 series of SAs are invited to compete. SA Holders may not submit a bid in response to this bid solicitation unless they have been invited to do so. However, should an uninvited SA Holder wish to be invited, it may contact the Contracting Authority to request an invitation at any time prior to five business days before the published bid closing date, and an invitation will be made to that SA Holder unless it would not be consistent with the efficient operation of the procurement process. In no circumstance will such an invitation require Canada to extend a bid closing date.

SA Holders that are invited to compete as a joint venture must submit a bid as that joint venture SA Holder, forming no other joint venture to bid. Any joint venture must be already qualified under the E60ZQ-180001 series as that joint venture at the time of bid closing in order to submit a bid.

Region:

National Capital Region

Description of the Requirement:

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) requires compliance audit services for its Grants and Contributions Programs.

This includes the Fuel Charge Proceeds Return Program (FCPRP), which is a specific grants and contribution program administered by the department.



In order to meet Treasury Board requirements in regard to managing grants and contribution funding agreements and to assist managers in administering these, ECCC has the obligation to ensure that its fiduciary duties pursuant to sections 33 and 34 of the Financial Administration Act are performed.

Financial compliance audits of grants and contribution funding agreements and FCPRP are performed to ensure that costs claimed to ECCC are in accordance with the financial terms and conditions of the funding agreements, and that they are adequately supported by sufficient and appropriate evidence that they are eligible expenses that were incurred to accomplish program activities, as outlined in their respective funding agreement. The audits will also give assurance that the recipient organizations have a thorough understanding of the financial terms and clauses of the financial instrument they have signed.

The objectives and expected outcomes of these audits are to:

- provide assurance that funds disbursed to the recipient under the terms and conditions of their funding agreement have been used for the intended purpose;
- express an audit opinion that all claimed expenditures are in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the funding agreement; and
- verify that funds provided under the selected programs are managed independently from other projects/programs and that adequate financial controls and accounting processes are used.

Level of Security Requirement:

Company Minimum Security Level Required

Canada	NATO	Foreign
☐ Protected A	□ NATO Unclassified	☐ Protected A
☑ Protected B	□ NATO Restricted	□ Protected B
□ Protected C	□ NATO Confidential	☐ Protected C
□ Confidential	□ NATO Secret	□ Confidential
□ Secret	☐ Cosmic Top Secret	□ Secret
☐ Top Secret		☐ Top Secret
☐ Top Secret (SIGINT)		☐ Top Secret (SIGINT)
Special comments:		

Resource Minimum Security Level Required

Canada	NATO	Foreign
□ Protected A	□ NATO Unclassified	□ Protected A
□ Protected B	□ NATO Restricted	□ Protected B
□ Protected C	□ NATO Confidential	□ Protected C
□ Confidential	□ NATO Secret	□ Confidential
□ Secret	☐ Cosmic Top Secret	□ Secret
☐ Top Secret		☐ Top Secret
☐ Top Secret (SIGINT)		☐ Top Secret (SIGINT)

Special comments:		

Document Safeguarding Security Level Required

Canada	
☐ Protected A - DOS	
☑ Protected B – DOS	
☐ Protected C – DOS	



☐ Confidential – FSC
□ Secret - FSC
☐ Top Secret - FSC
□ NATO Confidential - FSC
□ NATO Secret - FSC
□ Cosmic Top Secret - FSC

Special comments:

Applicable Trade Agreements:

The requirement is subject to the provisions of the following trade agreements: Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA), the Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement, the Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement, the Canada-Honduras Free Trade Agreement, the Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement, the Canada-Panama Free Trade Agreement, Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement, the Comprehensive Economic Free Trade Agreement [CETA], the World Trade Organization - Agreement on Government Procurement [WTO-AGP], the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership [CPTPP], the Canada-Ukraine Free Trade Agreement, and the Canada-United Kingdom Trade Continuity Agreement.

Associated Documents:

N/A

Proposed period of contract:

The proposed period of contract shall be one (1) firm year from contract award and three (3) renewal option periods.

Estimated Level of Effort:

The estimated level of effort of the contract will be as follows:

	No. of Days	
Inclusive Period	Stream 8	Stream 4
Firm Year 1	540	55
Option Year 1	1280	163
Option Year 2	1063	108
Option Year 3	630	126

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Closing Date/Time: July 10, 2023, 2:00pm EDT

The solicitation/Request for Proposal document may be requested separately from:

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