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	<p><b>EC Bid Solicitation No./SAP PR No. - N° de la demande de soumissions EC / N° SAP PR</b> 5000068983</p>	<p><b>Amendment No. - N° de modif.</b> 01</p>
	<p><b>Date of Bid Solicitation (YYYY-MM-DD) – Date de la demande de soumissions (AAAA-MM-JJ)</b> 2023-06-30</p>	
	<p><b>Bid Solicitation Closes (YEAR-MM-DD) - La demande de soumissions prend fin (AAAA-MM-JJ)</b> at – à 3:00 P.M. on – le 2023-08-02</p>	<p><b>Time Zone – Fuseau horaire</b> PDT</p>
	<p><b>F.O.B – F.A.B</b> Not Applicable</p>	
	<p><b>Address Enquiries to - Adresser toutes questions à</b> Heidi Noble <a href="mailto:Heidi.Noble@ec.gc.ca">Heidi.Noble@ec.gc.ca</a></p>	
	<p><b>Telephone No. – No de téléphone</b></p>	<p><b>Fax No. – No de Fax</b></p>
	<p><b>Delivery Required (YEAR-MM-DD) – Livraison exigée (AAAA-MM-JJ)</b> 2024-12-31</p>	
	<p><b>Destination of Services / Destination des services</b> British Columbia, Canada</p>	
	<p><b>Security / Sécurité</b> There is no security requirement associated with this requirement.</p>	



**The amendment to the bid solicitation is to address the enquiries received:**

**Response(s) (R) to Question(s) (Q):**

Q1. In the area of experience (rated criterion: R4), can we use each season/survey area of the previous ECCC sea bird surveys as an individual project? I.e. in 2021, we completed surveys in both the Salish Sea and west coast of Vancouver Island, over 4 seasons, which if calculated, as I understand it, would give us 4 projects for the west coast of Vancouver Island and 4 projects for the Salish Sea, totaling 8 projects. Each season/area would be more than 20 days. Is that how you would read that experience?

R1. Yes, each survey area and season is considered a separate project.

Q2. Can you explain both the optional season (winter) and optional extension into 2025/2026? This will affect our rate planning - to account for inflation - as well as availability of our vessel. When it says optional, what is that dependent on and how likely is it to be utilized?

R2. Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) requires surveys for the period of April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, which includes spring, summer, and fall. At this time, ECCC is not able to determine if additional surveys are required during the option period from January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026. Please refer to Part 6 – Resulting Contract, 6.5 Term of Contract.

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