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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT  
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

**Comments - Commentaires**

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<b>Title - Sujet</b> TBIPS Engineering Professional Serv	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 47419-198132/A	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 002
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> 1000348132	<b>Date</b> 2020-03-20
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<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2020-05-01</b>	
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<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Mansour, Silvana	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> 606el
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Instructions: See Herein

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<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b>	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
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<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

This document includes responses to questions received from potential bidders and an amendment.

**Question 7:**

In light of the timing and the adjustments being made by suppliers in order to efficiently and effectively respond to this RFP under the current circumstances, would Canada consider extending the submission deadline to the 24th April 2020?

**Answer 7:**

See amendment below.

**Question 8:**

It is noted that Canada will award one contract for professional services under this RFP. It is our experience that in a rapidly developing field, in a highly competitive and evolving market, having a single provider of professional services exposes Canada to risk around the sole provider providing the best available resources at the time of the TA. Would Canada consider awarding 4 contracts to optimise the ability of the market and suppliers to respond with the best available resources at the time of the TA?

**Answer 8:**

Canada has reviewed the request, however the requirement remains unchanged. Only one contract will be awarded as a result of this solicitation.

**Question 9:**

In section 3.2(a)(iv), Canada states that it will only accept corporate references from the bidder and not affiliates or subcontractors. We are requesting that Canada broaden the definition of "bidder" to incorporate parent companies, affiliates, and subsidiaries of the bidder.

Will Canada confirm that the definition of bidder is amended to incorporate parent companies, affiliates, and subsidiaries of the bidder? Please note that we are not suggesting that subcontractors be considered as part of the definition.

**Answer 9:**

Canada has reviewed the request, however the definition of "bidder" as outlined in the RFP remains unchanged. The bidder may submit a proposal as a joint venture with the affiliate of which it wishes

to rely on its experience, provided this joint venture is already qualified at the time of bid closing under Tier 2 of the TBIPS Supply Arrangement in all the required resource categories in this solicitation and in the National Capital Region under the EN578-170432 series of SAs.

**Question 10:**

Under '3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions, (h) Submission of Only One Bid', it states: i) A Bidder, including related entities, will be permitted to submit only one bid in response to this bid solicitation. Yet, under '3.2 Section I: Technical Bid, (iv) Previous Similar Projects', it states: Where the bid must include a description of previous similar projects: (i) a project must have been completed by the Bidder itself (and cannot include the experience of any proposed subcontractor or any affiliate of the Bidder).

Our reading under 3.1 is that the bidder can use and reference affiliates (and hence can only bid once between them), whilst in 3.2 we read it as proposing we cannot use or reference affiliates. Would Canada confirm accepting our reading under 3.1 to be appropriate interpretation.

**Answer 10:**

No, the related entities referred to under article 3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions, sub-section (h) Submission of Only One Bid, are the members of the Joint Venture. Bidders should refer to the response to question 9 above where Canada states that the definition of "bidder" does not change.

**AMENDMENT****At Page 1****DELETE:**

The solicitation closes at 2:00 p.m. EDST on April 14, 2020

**INSERT:**

The solicitation closes at 2:00 p.m. EDST on May 1, 2020

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RFP REMAIN UNCHANGED**