**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.

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**Title - Sujet**
MEOSAR Ground Segment Phase 2

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Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l’entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d’imprimerie)

**Signature**

**Date**
This amendment is raised to address the following:

- To respond to questions received during the solicitation period.

Questions and Answers

Q53: In accordance with Part 7 – Resulting Contract Clauses, Section 7.1.1 "Work Authorization", Canada must authorize the Contractor to commence any Work for Annex B- ISS Support. Can you please indicate where in the subject Solicitation we can find the criteria by which the Contractor would be measured in order for Canada to determine whether they are authorized to proceed with Work under Annex B- ISS Support?

A53: Canada will authorize the Contractor to proceed with the work under the ISS SOW at Canada’s discretion. Canada does not intend to provide this authorization until all work described in the DBAC SOW has been completed and both MEOLUTs have been commissioned.

Q54: In the “DBAC Rated Evaluation Criteria”: The R2 requirement explicitly states an RF link availability for L-Band only. The DBAC SOW section 6.4.2.2 that is referenced by R2 specifically requires both L and S band performance. This is also the case for the mandatory requirement M6 that refers to the subsequent DBAC SOW paragraph 6.4.2.3. Question - Does this R2 requirement exclude the S-Band requirement of DBAC SOW section 6.4.2.2 and does this result in S band performance not being counted when assessing the points allocated to R2?

A54: Yes, that is the correct interpretation for the R2 criterion.

Q55: In the “DBAC Rated Evaluation Criteria”: Requirement R4 specifies a probability of detection of a beacon within a coverage area of a circle of radius of 5000 km or greater. There is no mention of the time allocated for detection. Question – When evaluating the probability of detection in response to R4, what are the parameters for the time duration and is this to be assessed as being for a single transmission or for many transmissions from the beacon?

A55: As stated in C/S document T.019, and in accordance with Table B-1 at Appendix B of Attachment 1 to the solicitation, the burst duration applicable to criterion R4 is 10 minutes.

Q56: In the “DBAC Rated Evaluation Criteria”: The new C/S approved Emergency Locator Transmitter (Distress Tracking) (ELT[DT]) has a variable transmission rate. Question- Given that the detection rate for a ELT(DT) beacon is expected to be significantly better than a standard beacon, especially within the first 10 minutes, should this beacon type to be included in the evaluation for R3 and R4?

A56: No. In accordance with Table B-1 at Appendix B of Attachment 1 to the solicitation, only T.001 distress beacons must be considered for all rated criteria.

Q57: In the “DBAC Rated Evaluation Criteria”: In the mandatory requirements “M2” it is stated that “…The Bidder must demonstrate in its bid that it and/or its sub-Contractors have at least five years of experience in SARSAT systems equipment and/or software design, and/or technical, engineering and operational support for a SARSAT resultant Contract within the last 10 years from bid closing…” Question - Does “SARSAT” in this context mean “Cospas-Sarsat” and does it refer to the Cospas-Sarsat search and rescue satellite aided tracking system ground station elements?

A57: For the purpose of the evaluation criterion M2, any SARSAT experience is acceptable. This includes, but is not limited to, COSPAS-SARSAT ground stations. However, other SARSAT systems and sub-components would also be acceptable.
Q58: Part 7, Resulting Contract Clauses, Section 7.13.3.1.2 indicates that a Quality Plan is required, "No later than the initial Kick-Off Meeting...", then goes on to say "If the Quality Plan was submitted as part of the bidding process,...". However Annex A- DBAC Statement of Work, Table 3 (Data Requirements) does not list a Quality Plan as a deliverable. Can you please confirm that a Quality Plan is not required to be submitted as part of the subject RFP response?

A58: According to section 3.1.1 of the RFP, which references SACC Manual Clause D5401T (effective date 2007-11-30) Quality Plan - Solicitation, the Bidder must submit a Quality Plan with the bid. This Quality Plan must be prepared according to the latest issue (at contract date) of ISO 10005:2005 "Quality management systems - Guidelines for quality plans." Section 7.13.3.1.2 of the RFP provides the requirements for the Quality Plan. The Quality Plan will be reviewed at the kick-off meeting.

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