# Request for Information regarding the use of bid depositories for construction related bid submissions

# Industry feedback questionnaire

In January, 2015, Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) - Pacific Region undertook a pilot project for the limited use of a Bid Depository service. In order to supplement the experience gained through the pilot project, PSPC now seeks to engage industry and stakeholders in order to develop a better understanding of the benefits of the use of a bid depository service. To accomplish this task, we request your participation in completing the following online questionnaire. By answering all related questions, you will help us gain a better understanding of the use of bid depository services in the bid submission process for construction related services. A Bid Depository provides for the reception of sealed tenders from Trade Contractors, whereby, the sanctity of bidding is protected, and those receiving their tenders obtain firm quotations in writing and in adequate time to compile their bids.

The questionnaire will remain active until the closing date of the Request for Information EZ877-182001/A. You are asked to complete this questionnaire in electronic format and to submit your responses electronically. If you encounter technical difficulties with the electronic questionnaire, please contact Danielle Chiasson by email at Danielle.Chiasson@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca.

Please note that there is no specific requirement associated with this posting. This is not a bid solicitation and will not result in a contract. All correspondence submitted is subject to potential requests for information or release through the Access to Information and Privacy policy.

Thank you in advance for participating in this information-gathering activity.

1. In which province(s) or territory is your business or organization headquartered? (Please select all applicable options.)

🗖 Newfoundland and Labrador

🗖 Prince Edward Island

🗖 Nova Scotia

🗖 New Brunswick

🗖 Quebec

🗖 Ontario

🗖 Manitoba

🗖 Saskatchewan

🗖 Alberta

🗖 British Columbia

🗖 Northwest Territories

🗖 Yukon

🗖 Nunavut

1. In which province or territory does your business or organization provide construction services? (Please select all applicable options.)

🗖 Newfoundland and Labrador

🗖 Prince Edward Island

🗖 Nova Scotia

🗖 New Brunswick

🗖 Quebec

🗖 Ontario

🗖 Manitoba

🗖 Saskatchewan

🗖 Alberta

🗖 British Columbia

🗖 Northwest Territories

🗖 Yukon

🗖 Nunavut

1. Which category of construction services does your business or organization provide? (Please select all applicable options.)

🗖 General Contracting

🗖 Heavy Duty Equipment

🗖 Concrete

🗖 Metal/Welding

🗖 Mechanical

🗖 Plumbing

🗖 Electricity

🗖 Carpentry

🗖 Insulation

🗖 Drywall Finishing and Plastering

🗖 Painting

🗖 Floor covering/tiles

🗖 Other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What is the size of your business or organization?

**Small**

* Self-employed
* 1 to 4 employees
* 5 to 9 employees
* 10 to 19 employees
* 20 to 49 employees
* 50 to 99 employees

**Medium**

* 100 to 199 employees
* 200 to 499 employees

**Large**

* 500 to 999 employees
* 1000 to 1499 employees
* 1500 to 2499 employees
* 2500 to 4999 employees
* 5000 employees and over

1. How long has your business or organization been in business?

🗖 Less than a year

🗖 1 to 2 years

🗖 3 to 5 years

🗖 6 to 10 years

🗖 11 to 20 years

🗖 More than 20 years

1. Please indicate the average number of Government of Canada construction projects your business or organization bids on each year.

Bid submissions as a general contractor:

🗖 0 per year

🗖 1 to 2 per year

🗖 3 to 5 per year

🗖 6 to 10 per year

🗖 11 to 20 per year

🗖 More than 20 per year

Bid submissions as a sub-contractor:

🗖 0 per year

🗖 1 to 2 per year

🗖 3 to 5 per year

🗖 6 to 10 per year

🗖 11 to 20 per year

🗖 More than 20 per year

1. Please indicate the average yearly number of Government of Canada construction contracts your business or organization has been awarded in the last 5 years.

Number of awarded contracts as a general contractor:

🗖 0 per year

🗖 1 to 2 per year

🗖 3 to 5 per year

🗖 6 to 10 per year

🗖 11 to 20 per year

🗖 More than 20 per year

Number of awarded contracts as a sub-contractor:

🗖 0 per year

🗖 1 to 2 per year

🗖 3 to 5 per year

🗖 6 to 10 per year

🗖 11 to 20 per year

🗖 More than 20 per year

1. Have you submitted a bid before using a bid depository service?

🗖 Yes

🗖 No

8.1 – If you indicated yes, which bid depository were used?

🗖 British Columbia

🗖 Bureau des soumissions déposées du Québec (BSDQ)

🗖 other: please specify which: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8.2 - If you indicated yes, was it a positive experience?

🗖 Yes

🗖 No

8.1.1 If you indicated no, please specify why?

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1. Do you have additional comments on your experience using a bid depository service?

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1. If it were to do so, under what conditions should the Government of Canada introduce the use of bid depository service in lieu of the existing bidding process? Your response should include construction project value threshold, maximum cost to use the bid depository services, relevant trades, etc.

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1. Is a fee for the use of a bid depository service acceptable to your business or organization?

🗖 Yes

🗖 No

**If you would like to provide additional comments, please include them here:**

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**Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.**