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Title - Sujet
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ON THE FIRST PAGE, PLEASE:

· REPLACE "LETTER OF INTEREST" WITH "REQUEST FOR INFORMATION.

NOTE:

TITLE: Capabillity Survey of Naval Soft-Kill Systems

Please be advised that the attached document is a Request for Information

This Request for Information (RFI) seeks information from industry to support a capability survey Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC) is performing on behalf of the Canadian Navy. The survey targets all naval soft-kill systems for combat platforms. The goal is to acquire in-depth knowledge of existing and future naval soft-kill systems to build a capability within DRDC to support current and future needs of the Canadian Navy. All current soft-kill naval technologies and upcoming technologies under development are of interest.
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)

FOR

Capability Survey of Naval Soft-Kill Systems

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2.0 BACKGROUND
Defence R&D Canada (DRDC) is an agency of the Canadian Department of National Defence that responds to the scientific and technological needs of the Canadian Forces. The agency is made up of seven research centres, located across Canada, with a corporate office in Ottawa. Defence R&D Canada's foundation is built on a rich history of defence science dating back to World War I. Since then, Defence R&D Canada has become a leader in science and technology for national defence and public security. With a broad scientific program, Defence R&D Canada actively collaborates with industry, international allies, academia, other government departments, and the national security community.

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3.0 REQUESTED INFORMATION

The purpose of this RFI is to seek information from the Defence Industry to support a capability survey of naval soft-kill systems. The survey seeks to acquire information about the soft-kill systems offered or under development by your company. To aid in your response, please provide the following categories as applicable:

3.1 System descriptions.
3.2 System specifications.
3.3 System variants or options.
3.4 System architecture information, including:
   3.4.1 Is the system design based on a commercial off the shelf (COTS) product approach?
   3.4.2 Is the software based on an open architecture approach to allow user modification?
   3.4.3 An indication of the ability for user development and addition of custom deployment programming.
   3.4.4 An indication of the ability of the system to operate in a training mode?
   3.4.5 An indication of the ability of the training mode (if applicable) to integrate into a larger Command and Control System Training mode.
3.5 An indication of the scalability of the systems for future upgrades.
3.6 An indication of the capability and level of integration into a shipboard Command and Control System.
3.7 An indication of the technology readiness level of the systems.
3.8 An indication of the proliferation of the systems.
3.9 System acquisition cost.
3.10 System maintenance requirements and life-cycle costs.
3.11 System weight (especially topside weight) and power requirements.

4.0 NO OBLIGATION

The issuance of this RFI does not create an obligation for Canada to issue a subsequent bid solicitation and does not bind Canada legally or otherwise, to enter into any agreement or to accept any suggestions from industry. A contract will not result from this RFI and it is not Canada's intent to publish a solicitation as a result of this RFI. There will be no short listing of Companies for purposes of undertaking any future work as a result of this RFI. Similarly, participation in this RFI is not a condition or prerequisite for participation in any potential resultant bid solicitation.

5.0 ENQUIRIES

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than five (5) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.
Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as proprietary will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

6.0 CLOSING DATE
Written responses to this RFI must be submitted directly to the Contracting Authority on or before the closing date specified on page 1 of this Request for Information (RFI).

7.0 REVIEW OF RFI
Canada reserves the right to:
· Amend, Delete or Add, in whole or in part, any terms or provisions of this RFI document. Any revision will be forwarded in writing, to any part that requests the RFI;
· Request additional information for clarification during the review of the responses to this RFI, and/or to consider a subsequent modification of the response put forward by a company.

No payment will be made for costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a response to the RFI. Costs associated with preparing and submitting a responses, as well as any costs incurred by the Respondent associated with the evaluation of the RFI, are the sole responsibility of the Respondent.

8.0 DELIVERABLES
A detailed information package from the respondents that includes:
· Point of contact.
· Company name, contact information, and affiliations.
· A written information package.
9.0 CONTRACTING AUTHORITY
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