

ACAN 25-58191 Various Equipment

1. Advance Contract Award Notice (ACAN)

An ACAN is a public notice indicating to the supplier community that a department or agency intends to award a contract for goods, services or construction to a pre-identified supplier, thereby allowing other suppliers to signal their interest in bidding, by submitting a statement of capabilities. If no supplier submits a statement of capabilities that meets the requirements set out in the ACAN, on or before the closing date stated in the ACAN, the contracting officer may then proceed with the award to the pre-identified supplier.

2. Definition of the requirement

3. The National Research Council Canada (NRC) has a requirement for the supply, delivery, installation (if applicable), and commissioning of multiple pieces of scientific and laboratory equipment to various NRC sites across Canada. The equipment will support NRC research activities and must meet the technical and performance specifications identified in the procurement documentation.

4. Criteria for assessment of the Statement of Capabilities (Minimum Essential Requirements)

Interested Indigenous suppliers must demonstrate, through a written Statement of Capabilities, that they:

- meet the definition of an Indigenous business under the Procurement Strategy for Indigenous Business (PSIB);
- can supply all equipment identified in this ACAN, or products that meet the same technical and performance specifications. Specifications can be obtained upon request.
- possess the technical, administrative, and logistical capability to coordinate the procurement, delivery, installation, and commissioning of all equipment to multiple NRC locations across Canada;
- can provide manufacturer authorization, reseller agreements, or other evidence demonstrating access to the required equipment;

equipment identified:

- Ultris XMR high resolution HSI Camera with integrated relay lens adapter
- Field spectroradiometer, remote sensing bundle
- 6x single photon detector modules
- Continuously tunable diode laser
- Longwave infrared polarimetric camera
- Mid-Wave infrared hyperspectral imaging system
- Balanced photodetector, 1550nm
- Thermal imaging camera 640px
- Gas detection and air monitoring systems
- Methane 3D Screening solution
- Vacuum deposition system components
- Precision measurement instrumentation
- Raman Instruments, Pendar X10 version 2
- Mx5+ Heliladder maintenance work platform with tool trays
- X2DII 100C medium format mirrorless camera, body only
- Hyperspectral field mounting accessories
- DLP 3D printer
- Madras CVDR 2HR 512WPS Cockpit voice and data recorder
- Noble Dome Air free sample transfer unit
- Programmable optical processor and filter Waveshaper 4000B

5. Applicability of the trade agreement(s) to the procurement

This procurement is set aside from the international trade agreements under the provision each has for measures with respect to Aboriginal peoples or for set-asides for small and minority businesses.



6. Set-aside under the Procurement Strategy for Indigenous Business

Indigenous Business (PSIB). This procurement is set-aside for an Indigenous supplier in accordance with the government Procurement Strategy for Indigenous Business (PSIB). Therefore, only suppliers who meet the definition of an Indigenous business, as defined in the PSIB, may submit a statement of capabilities.

7. Justification for the Pre-Identified Supplier

There is a limited number of Indigenous suppliers who are able to provide the requirement and thus MSS LTD. has been chosen as the Indigenous supplier who can provide the requirement under this set aside.

8. Government Contracts Regulations Exception(s)

The following exception(s) to the *Government Contracts Regulations* is (are) invoked for this procurement under subsection: 6(d) - "only one person is capable of performing the work".

9. Period of the proposed contract or delivery date

The resulting contract shall commence upon contract award and remain in effect until all equipment has been delivered and all associated contractual obligations have been fulfilled.

10. Name and address of the pre-identified supplier

MSS LTD, 47 Studney Drive,
Hay River, Northwest Territories, X0E0R6
Canada

11. Suppliers' right to submit a statement of capabilities

Suppliers who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the goods, services or construction services described in the ACAN may submit a statement of capabilities in writing to the contact person identified in this notice on or before the closing date of this notice. The statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

Only suppliers who meet the definition of an Indigenous business, as defined in the PSIB and who consider themselves fully qualified and available to provide the goods, services or construction services described in the ACAN may submit a statement of capabilities in writing to the contact person identified in this notice on or before the closing date of this notice. The statement of capabilities must clearly demonstrate how the supplier meets the advertised requirements.

12. Closing date for a submission of a statement of capabilities

The closing date and time for accepting statements of capabilities is Nov 4th, 2026 at 2pm EST.

13. Inquiries and submission of statement of capabilities

Inquiries and statement of capabilities are to be directed to:

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