

Responses to the Supplier Questions:

1) Since the materials are available on a different site, are applications to be submitted through Merx still?

**Answer:** All bids must be submitted via email to [Sayed.abedi@hc-sc.gc.ca](mailto:Sayed.abedi@hc-sc.gc.ca).

2) Is it possible to see what the exhibit looks like, as only the crates are pictured in the RFP document?

**Answer:** An image of the exhibit can be accessed through this link [here](#).

3) In section Annex B - Basis of payment, it cites that deliverable Item 3 Storage at the warehouse is to be included in the pricing schedule, however later it suggests that other direct expenses will be reimbursed at actual cost. Regarding storage costing, is this to be included in the pricing schedule, but then to be reimbursed later? This is unclear to me. As well, does the pricing schedule need to include costs of insurance, that are to be reimbursed later as in "other direct expenses"

-The prices quoted as, " *Other Direct Expenses The Contractor will be reimbursed for the direct expenses reasonably and properly incurred in the performance of the Work. These expenses will be paid at actual cost without mark-up, upon submission of an itemized receipt*".

**Answer:** Regarding the pricing structure, storage costs should be included in the pricing schedule, and are not considered a direct expense for the purposes of this contract. Insurance costs are not part of the direct expenses and Bidder's are responsible to provide the proper insurance coverage as defined in Attachment 1 to Part 5.

*New additional questions:*

4) *Do you have an estimated insurance evaluation for the exhibition? If so, what is the amount that needs to be insured? This is difficult to know if I do not know what is in the crates or what the individual components of the exhibit consist of.*

**Answer:** The estimated insurance evaluation for the exhibition is based on a replacement value of \$10,000 for each exhibit.

5) *The touring schedule notes that the project timeline is already underway, and yet the contract process is still outstanding. Do you have a new updated timeline for the project's first year? What is the touring schedule to be?*

**Answer:** The touring schedule will be developed by the successful bidder. Currently, the tour is on hold pending the awarding of the contract.

6) *The touring schedule also notes that the booking time per venue is to be only one week at a time. Is there the potential for allowing for multiple week bookings?*

**Answer:** Multiple week bookings are permissible, contingent upon exhibit availability.