# BRITISH COLUMBIA PROCUREMENT CODE

## Fiscal Year End: March 31

### 1. Prequalification: Bidders can be part of a prequalification list

- a. CPPM 6.3.2.a.13 → To establish a pre-qualified supplier list, a process must be undertaken which uses the standard Request for Qualification template, unless an alternate form is approved by CBS and Legal Services. The process is to include an evaluation of the responses to the identified pre-qualification requirements to determine which respondents will be placed on the list of pre-qualified suppliers
- b. **CPPM 6.3.2.a.17** → If the requirement for goods, services or construction falls within the provisions of the AIT or TILMA, the process to identify pre-qualified suppliers of goods, services and construction opportunities which may be over the associated threshold (see section 6.4.4) must be advertised annually on BC Bid.
- 2. Auto-drop: None.

### 3. Life Cycle Cost: LCC allowed if clearly stated in RFQ or ITB.

- a. **CPPM 6.3.2.a.9** → Objective selection criteria for the awarding of a contract must be established prior to inviting bids and proposals and must be consistent with those specified in the solicitation documents. Selection procedures and timelines must not limit anyone from competing.
- b. CPPM 6.3.3.b.6 → In the case of an RFP, the contract must be awarded to the proponent whose proposal meets all mandatory proposal requirements, and achieves the highest overall rating of all evaluation criteria specified in the solicitation documents
- c. AIT Article 506.6 → In evaluating tenders, a Party may take into account not only the submitted price but also quality, quantity, delivery, servicing, the capacity of the supplier to meet the requirements of the procurement and any other criteria directly related to the procurement that are consistent with Article 504. The tender documents shall clearly identify the requirements of the procurement, the criteria that will be used in the evaluation of bids and the methods of weighting and evaluating the criteria

#### 4. Piggybacking: Allowed with contract with another government organization.

- a. CPPM 6.3.3.a.1 → Contracts for acquisitions (of goods, services, and construction) and disposals may be negotiated and directly awarded without competitive process where one of the following exceptional conditions applies: the contract is with another government organization...
- 5. Recycle Preferences: Encouraged, but not required.
  - a. CPPM 6.3.1.14 → Ministries and CBS are encouraged to follow the Guidelines for Procurement of Environmentally Responsible Products and Services. These guidelines are available under the Procurement Procedures available on the <u>CBS website</u>
- 6. Minority/Small/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise preferences: None

**\*\*\*British Columbia Core Policy and Procedures Manual:** 

http://www.fin.gov.bc.ca/ocg/fmb/manuals/CPM/06\_Procurement.htm#1631

\*\*\* Agreement on Internal Trade: <u>http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/ait-aci.nsf/eng/il00006.html</u>