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**SUBJECT : 1. Modifications to “Front End” Documents.
Changes are effective December 1, 2022 and are to be incorporated on all tender calls issued on, or after this date.**

ITEM 1 Procurement Act – Construction Services Regulation

The Procurement Act will replace the Crown Construction Contracts Act on December 1st, 2022. The Project Specific Front End Specification and the Standard Front End Specification have been edited to reflect the new Act and Regulation. Specification writers need to download the new documents and edit accordingly for all projects. Following is a summary of some of the changes:

1. Reference to the Crown Construction Contracts Act has been deleted.
2. The amounts (project estimated values) determining the type of procurement (public, by invite, sole source) have changed. Refer to Construction Services Regulation of the Procurement Act, Part 2, items 8, 9 & 10, and Part 3 items 34, 35 & 36.
3. The Bid price written in words is not required and has been deleted from Tender Form “F”.
4. Addenda Cover pages are no longer required to be signed and sent with the bid submission.
5. Acknowledgement of addenda: the wording has been modified in the Tender Form “F” and bidders are not required to acknowledge the specific number of addenda.
6. A letter from a resident agent of the insurance company issuing the Bid Bond is no longer required to be submitted with the bid submission.
7. Items of Section 00 21 13 – INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS, and Section 00 21 14 – INVITATION have been modified to reflect current processes.

ITEM 2 Communicable disease prevention plan (including Covid-19)

1. The wording has been modified to reflect the current situation.

2. The paragraph has been moved from section 00 43 00 – SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION to section 01 00 01 – PROJECT SPECIFIC GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.