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Subject: FW: For MO Approval - Revised media response - Tier 1 / COVID-19 - Contracts for non-medical masks / National Post

Hi Cecely,

This face cloth masks RFP was not limited to Canadian companies only. We'll send the approved response shortly.

Thank you
Stefanie

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Please see below the response approved by MO. If it's possible to get an update on whether we know if this is targeted at Canadian companies, that would be super appreciated.

Thank you,
Cecely

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Evening Cecely,

For your approval. The answer has been revised. Note that we have not been able to confirm yet if this RFP is only for Canadian companies.

Charles.

Revised media response

National Post

Blackwell, Tom (National Post)

Date call received: June-04-20 at 13:20

Deadline: June 11, 2020 at 17:00 PM

Tier 1 - COVID-19 - Contracts for non-medical masks

CONTEXT (for your information):

The reporter is seeking information about tender recently posted by Public Services and Procurement Canada for 13 million non-medical cloth face masks.

Reference:

Face cloth mask (COVID19) (EP877-200002/A)

<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/procurement-data/tender-notice/PW-PR-768-78770>

VALUE STATEMENT:

The Government of Canada is collaborating with provinces and territories on an ongoing basis to identify their needs and purchase required equipment, supplies, and services to combat COVID-19.

Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) is taking an aggressive approach to buying, especially when it comes to personal protective equipment for frontline healthcare workers. This includes:

- Ordering ahead in bulk on behalf of provinces and territories
- Supplementing those orders by purchasing limited-availability supplies that are immediately available
- Ramping up the domestic manufacturing capacity, through the Plan to Mobilize Industry to fight COVID-19, being led by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

This is over and above the efforts provinces and territories are taking to secure their own supply.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q1. Can you provide me with more information about this tender? In particular, is the intention to distribute these masks to the general public or workers widely, or are they just intended for employees of the federal government?

~~The Government of Canada is engaged in an unprecedented effort to acquire supplies and equipment to ensure our frontline health care workers and all Canadians stay safe and healthy.~~

As part of the Government of Canada's response to COVID-19, we are anticipating Canada's potential future needs and preparing for any eventuality through the procurement of PPE and supplies. We are planning ahead to help keep Canadians safe and healthy.

Through this tender, we are looking to purchase approximately 13.5 million **non-medical** face cloth masks, **for use outside of the health sector. ~~which are not intended for the health sector.~~** These **face** cloth masks will be purchased as part of our overall pandemic preparedness plans, and may be used in a variety of organizations and settings.