

The purpose of this document is to provide guidance for the use of Addenda and Amendments in BC Bid

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DEFINITION	DEFINITION				
Addenda	all additional information regarding this RFx including Amendments to the RFx.				
Amendments	a change to the RFx that results in posting an updated version of the RFx requiring Suppliers to submit a new Submission to the amended RFx.  Note: Suppliers have access to their old submission and can copy it into any new submission they want to make				
TECHNICAL DIF	FFERENCES				
Addenda	<ul> <li>Does not force a supplier to submit a new submission.</li> <li>Recommended for all changes to a posted RFx that are <b>not</b> material changes.</li> <li>Addenda are issued using the Discussion Forum, either publicly using "Public Portal" as a recipient or, if using a qualified list, all those invited suppliers would be selected as recipients.</li> <li>Typically used to clarify answers that do not require any physical changes to the published material within the RFx**.</li> <li>Document attachments can be included with these Addenda – these will display on the Public Portal if sent to that recipient. For an invite-only opportunity, they will only have access to the</li> </ul>				



	attachments after they log in to BC Bid. For non-registered suppliers you will need to send attachments through government email.
Amendments*	<ul> <li>Will requires a supplier to submit a new submission. The application will permanently seal the bid from access for sealed RFx processes. Access to the submission will be available if its an unsealed RFx process.</li> <li>Sends opportunity update notification to all internal interested supplier with instructions on how to submit a new submission.</li> <li>Used for material changes in the posted RFx (e.g., scope change or new evaluation submission requirement).</li> <li>These are issued when you are changing values within fields in the application that are not editable while an opportunity is open, or you are adding/removing.</li> </ul>

<sup>\*</sup> The choice of whether to issue an addendum through the discussion forum or an amendment is up to the discretion of the issuing organization

# ADDENDA VS AMENDMENTS DETAILS: TAB BY TAB

## SET UP PROJECT

While the opportunity is open, most of the fields within sourcing project can be edited (Fig1). This is because multiple RFx can be run under a project

### **EDITABLE FIELDS**

Opportunity	this is at the project level, and will not update the RFx opportunity
Description	description
Issued By/Issued	Can change organizations at any point*
For	
Main	Can change commodities at any point*
Commodity/Other	
Commodities	

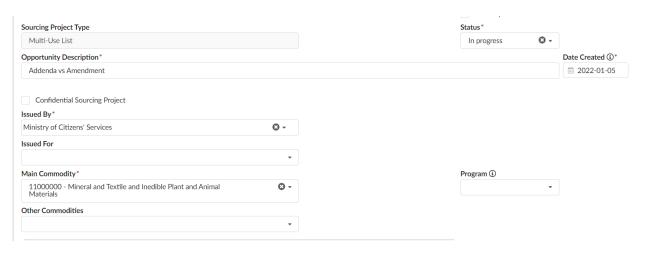
<sup>\*</sup> All changes to these fields happen in real-time, so they will update immediately within the issued RFx. No notifications will be sent when these values are changed.

Addenda required based on organization practices.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Exceptions include fields within the Sourcing Project tab, and the Official Contact. Further explained below.



Figure 1: Screenshot of Set Up Project tab



#### SET UP TEAM: CHANGING THE OFFICIAL CONTACT

The only public-facing role within the sourcing team is the Official Contact. All other role changes are behind the scenes. There are two pieces to changing the Official Contact: the user assigned and the contact email that displays on the Opportunity Details/Additional RFx info tab.

Official Contact changes*	Addenda?	Amendment?
Switching role to another user and using a personal	Optional	Optional
government email address	(recommended)	(Not
		recommended)
Switching role to another user, but not changing the	Optional	Optional
alternate email address	(recommended)	(Not
		recommended)
Changing or adding an alternate email address**	Optional (not	Optional
(with or without changing the Official Contact)	recommended)	(recommended)

<sup>\*</sup>Re-assigning the Official Contact happens in real-time (Fig 2), updating the records visible to suppliers/the public immediately. <u>No notifications</u> are automatically sent out unless an Addenda or Amendment is created.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Alternate email address is a hardcoded field (Fig 3), so if only changed using Addenda, the change will not be clear to suppliers who will have to find the Addenda documents to be able to note the correct information, which will conflict with what they see on the screen.

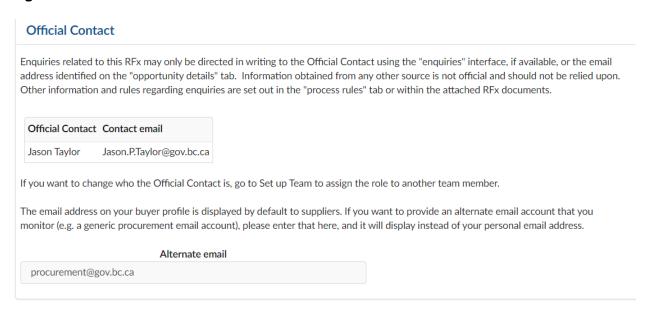
Addenda required based on organization practices.



Figure 2: Screenshot from Set up Team tab user display

	<u>Email</u>	Profiles		Contact
×	Bobby.Kapoor@gov.bc.ca	Contributor × Official Contact ×	<b>©</b> -	KAPOOR Bobby
×	Jason.P.Taylor@gov.bc.ca	Responsible ×	<b>8</b> -	TAYLOR Jason

Figure 3: Screenshot from Additional RFx info tab



## PREPARE RFX TAB

#### PREPARE RFX SET UP TAB

Note: The Opportunity ID is locked after the opportunity has been issued. It cannot be altered through an amendment or an addendum

Field changes	Addenda?	Amendment?
Closing Date and Time*	Optional	Optional
	(not	(recommended)
	recommended)	
Opportunity Description*** – this field is in all	Optional	Optional
templates	(not	(recommended)
	recommended)	
Summary Details*** – this field is in all templates	Optional	Optional
		(recommended)



	(not recommended)	
Enquiries Deadline***	Optional	Optional
	(not	(recommended)
	recommended)	
Opening and Unverified Bids (opening date and	Optional (not	Optional
time, opening location) ***	recommended)	(recommended)
Request for Tenders, Invitation to Tender and		
RFP only		
Opening and Unverified Bids (unverified bid format) **	Not possible	Yes
Request for Tenders, Invitation to Tender and RFP only		

<sup>\*</sup>Any changes occur in real-time, updating the records visible to suppliers/the public immediately. No notifications are automatically sent out.

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#### PREPARE RFX: ADDITIONAL RFX INFO TAB

## Changes to the Official Contact are discussed within the Set Up Team section

Scenario	Addenda?	Amendment?
	Optional	Optional
Submissions - Adding or removing one or more of	(not	(recommended)
the submission delivery methods	recommended)	
Note: These are hardcoded fields, so if only changed using Addenda, the change will not be clear to suppliers who will have to find the Addenda documents to be able to note the correct information, which will conflict with what they see on the screen.		
Delivery Location for goods, Services, or	Optional	Optional
Construction - Editing/Adding street address,	(not	(recommended)
region(s), or additional information fields.	recommended)	

<sup>\*\*</sup> This is a hardcoded choice and there is no ability to change this without issuing an amendment.

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Note: in addition to the issue noted in the row above,	
using addenda to change the delivery location will	
mean some suppliers will miss seeing the opportunity as	
they will be actively using the region filter	

# DOCUMENTS

Change	Addenda?	Amendment?	
Correcting typos/language issues	Addendum can highlight	Can make physical changes	
in documents	changes without	in attached documentation	
	physically making those	and upload new versions in	
Note: for material changes it is	changes in the attached	their place. ( <i>Recommended</i> )	
recommended to follow the	documentation		
amendment process			
Adding new or replacement	Addenda can include	Can add new documents	
documents	attachments, and these	which will display under the	
	would display in the public	RFx documents tab. Titles	
Note: although attachments can be	portal. This approach will	of documents can be edited	
added to Addenda, non-registered	require suppliers to cross-	to make clear they are	
suppliers in invite-only competitions	reference multiple	updated versions, and the	
will not see them. You would have to	documents to see the	last updated field will also	
email them the addenda	most current content	update to reflect the time	
documentation outside of BC Bid.		the last changes were made	
		(Recommended)	
Addenda or Amendment required based on organization practices.			