



Contracting Policy Notice 2015-3 – Trade Agreements: Thresholds Update

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Contracting Policy Notice 2015-3 Trade Agreements: Thresholds Update - Second Update

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Date: December 30, 2015

To: Functional heads, Finance and Administration of all Departments and Agencies

Subject: Update of Thresholds for International Trade Agreements

Summary

The thresholds in effect from January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2017, for procurements subject to various international trade agreements are set out in the table below. The thresholds for the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) do not change.

Thresholds (CAN\$ January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2017)

	Entities (Departments and Agencies)			Crown Corporations		
	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construct
Trade Agreement						
<u>AIT</u>						
Annex 502.1A	25,000	100,000	100,000	25,000	100,000	100,000

	Entities (Departments and Agencies)			Crown Corporations		
	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construct
Trade Agreement	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construct
Annex 502.3	N/A	N/A	N/A	500,000	500,000	5,000,000
Bilateral Agreements						
<u>Chile</u>¹	89,600	89,600	8,500,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>Colombia</u>¹	89,600	89,600	8,500,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>Honduras</u>	89,600	89,600	8,500,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>Korea</u>²	100,000	100,000	8,500,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
<u>Panama</u>	89,600	89,600	8,500,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>Peru</u>	161,800	161,800	8,500,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>NAFTA</u>						
Canada/US	28,900	89,600	11,600,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
Canada/Mexico	89,600	89,600	11,600,000	448,100	448,100	14,300,000
<u>WTO-GPA</u>	221,400	221,400	8,500,000	604,700	604,700	8,500,000

1 Under the Canada-Chile and Canada-Colombia agreements, there are “extended transparency” commitments to provide suppliers with information regarding procurements for which they are not eligible to bid but where (1) open-tendering process is used, and (2) the procurement value exceeds CA \$124,000 for Chile and CAN \$150,000 for Colombia.

2 Government procurement chapter of the Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement comes into force on January 14th, 2016

Background

Every two years, the thresholds in the international trade agreements are updated. This Contracting Policy Notice amends the thresholds in Contracting Policy Notice 2013-5 to provide new thresholds, which are expressed in Canadian dollars. All thresholds are for the period January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2017. The thresholds for the AIT remain unchanged.

New Requirements

Procurements subject to international trade agreements and the AIT must publish Notices of Planned Procurements through the Government Electronic Tendering Service (GETS), which is provided by Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) via the [Tenders page](#) on the Buyandsell.gc.ca website.

References

1. The trade agreements to which this Contracting Policy Notice pertain have been hyperlinked in the table above.
2. [Canadian International Trade Tribunal Procurement Inquiry Regulations](#)
3. [Treasury Board Contracting Policy](#)

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