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Contracting Policy Notice 2019-4 Trade Agreements: Thresholds Update

From Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat

Date: December 13, 2019

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

Subject: Update of thresholds for the Free Trade Agreements

Summary

The thresholds in effect from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021 for procurements subject to Free Trade Agreements to which the federal government is a Party are set out below.

Thresholds

(CDN\$ January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021)

Free Trade Agreement	Entities (departments and agencies)			Crown corporations and other government enterprises		
	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construction

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

Free Trade Agreement	Entities (departments and agencies)			Crown corporations and other government enterprises		
	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construction
Internal						
<u>Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA)</u>	26,400	105,700	105,700	528,300	528,300	5,283,200
International						
<u>Canada–Chile Free Trade Agreement</u> *	108,400	108,400	9,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
<u>Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)</u>	238,000	238,000	9,100,000	650,000	650,000	9,100,000
<u>Canada–Colombia Free Trade Agreement</u> *	108,400	108,400	9,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
<u>Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)</u>	238,000	238,000	9,100,000	Annex 19-3, Section A: 650,000	Annex 19-3, Section A: 650,000	9,100,000
				Annex 19-3, Section B: 732,400	Annex 19-3, Section B: 732,400	
<u>Canada–Honduras Free Trade Agreement</u>	108,400	108,400	9,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000

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Free Trade Agreement	Entities (departments and agencies)			Crown corporations and other government enterprises		
	Goods	Services	Construction	Goods	Services	Construction
<u>Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement</u>	100,000	100,000	9,100,000	N/A.(Not available)	N/A.(Not available)	N/A.(Not available)
<u>North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)</u>						
Canada/US	32,600	108,400	14,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
Canada/Mexico	108,400	108,400	14,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
<u>Canada-Panama Free Trade Agreement</u>	108,400	108,400	9,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
<u>Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement</u>	173,900	173,900	9,100,000	542,400	542,400	17,300,000
<u>Canada-Ukraine Free Trade Agreement</u> *	238,000	238,000	9,100,000	650,000	650,000	9,100,000
<u>World Trade Organization-Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-GPA)</u>	238,000	238,000	9,100,000	650,000	650,000	9,100,000

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Background

Every two years, the thresholds in the free trade agreements are updated. This Notice amends the thresholds in Contracting Policy Notice 2018-01 to provide new thresholds, which are expressed in Canadian dollars. All thresholds are for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021.

Requirements

Notices of Intended Procurement, also referred to as Tender Notices, must be published for procurements subject to the free trade agreements. Departments, agencies and some Crown corporations must publish through the Government Electronic Tendering Service (GETS) provided by Public Services and Procurement Canada via the [Tenders page](#) on the Buyandsell.gc.ca web site.

References

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

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