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Federal Government Announces Release of 2009 Accommodation Request for Standing Offer (RFSO)

Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) has released the 2009 Accommodation Request for Standing Offer (RFS) for the Government of Canada employees on July 21, 2008. Properties must submit their offers **no later than September 17, 2008 at 2:00 pm** in order to have their offer considered for the 2009 Accommodation Directory. There is only **one bidding period** for the 2009 Directory and **fax submission are no longer accepted**, therefore please ensure you complete and submit your offer prior to the bid closing date.

One major change to the Accommodation Program is that the rates offered for the 2009 Accommodation Directory will be considered maximum rates. Preferred suppliers that **have been awarded** a Standing Offer will have the option to reduce their rate offering during the course of calendar year 2009 and those reduced rates will be modified in the Accommodation Directory. All related information as well as the Terms and Conditions of the Standing Offers are identified in the RFSO document; you can also visit the directory website at <http://www.hcrd.gts.gc.ca/>