

CANADIAN
INTERNATIONAL
TRADE TRIBUNAL

Procurement Determination

File PR-2025-013

The British Columbia Corps of Commissionaires

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Department of Public Works and Government Services

IN THE MATTER OF a complaint filed by The British Columbia Corps of Commissionaires pursuant to subsection 30.11(1) of the *Canadian International Trade Tribunal Act*;

AND FURTHER TO a decision to conduct an inquiry into the complaint pursuant to subsection 30.13(1) of the *Canadian International Trade Tribunal Act*.

BETWEEN

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CORPS OF COMMISSIONAIRES

Complainant

AND

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Government Institution

DETERMINATION

Pursuant to subsection 30.14(2) of the *Canadian International Trade Tribunal Act* (CITT Act), the Canadian International Trade Tribunal determines that the complaint is not valid, but not without merit, as it highlighted potential technological issues affecting the search and notification functions of the CanadaBuys website and the SAP Ariba platform. The complaint is also not without merit as it raises concerns about the inconsistent practice of directly notifying incumbent and known potential suppliers of pending opportunities. These issues are important because they could affect the integrity of the competitive procurement system. However, The British Columbia Corps of Commissionaires made unsubstantiated claims of unfairness.

Pursuant to section 30.16 of the CITT Act, the Tribunal awards the Department of Public Works and Government Services costs in the amount of \$287.50 payable by The British Columbia Corps of Commissionaires.

The Tribunal rescinds the postponement of award order it made on July 11, 2025, pursuant to subsection 30.13(3) of the CITT Act.

Eric Wildhaber

Eric Wildhaber Presiding Member

The statement of reasons will be issued at a later date.