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Canadian Commercial Corporation

The Canadian Commercial Corporation (CCC) is a federal Crown Corporation that provides Canadian exporters with valuable assistance when selling to foreign governments or international organizations. In such transactions, CCC normally acts as prime contractor, assuring the foreign customer that the terms and conditions of the contract will be met, and matching that obligation through a domestic contract with the Canadian supplier.

The Corporation's participation provides Canadian suppliers with the tangible backing of their own government, enhancing their credibility and competitiveness in the eyes of foreign customers, and can often lead to the negotiation of more advantageous contract and payment terms.

The Corporation's services extend to every stage of the procurement process, including identifying opportunities, helping to prepare bids, assisting in the negotiation and administration of contracts, providing contract audits, as well as collecting from foreign customers and paying suppliers.

In some instances, CCC operates within formalized rules and structures established through signed agreements with a foreign government. Such is the case with the U.S. Department of Defense where agreements have been in effect since 1956, enabling the Corporation to facilitate access to that market for Canadian suppliers. CCC also assists exporters in transactions with foreign private-sector buyers. The Corporation's services, and the credibility it offers, are of particular benefit to Canadian SMEs, many of which may be less known internationally. Its new **Progress Payment Program, operating in** collaboration with Canadian banks, can make it easier for SMEs to obtain pre-shipment financing.

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