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Tender

FLS-141-C Steep Ground Harvesting (North, West and Central Regions)

Forestry and Land Scotland

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

FLS-141-C Steep Ground Harvesting (North, West and Central Regions)

Reference number

FLS-141-C

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77211100 - Timber harvesting services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

FLS has a requirement to place a contract(s) with an external service provider(s) for the provision of Steep Ground Harvesting services in North, West and Central Regions. The contract will be for a period of 5 years with the option to extend for up to an additional 2 years (1+1).

This contract shall include the following services:

Chainsaw - Ground-based chainsaw operations, directly associated with the harvesting operation

Skyline Work

Winch Work

Clearfell Harvest and Extraction – Typically carried out with a Harvester Forwarder

Skyline Thinning Harvest and Extraction – Typically carried out with a Skyline

Harvest Only

Extraction Only

Ancillary Requirements – Directly associated with the harvesting operation

Traffic Management

Goal Posts

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots

2

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 2

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Steep Ground Harvesting (North Region)

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 - Steep Ground Harvesting (North Region)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional extensions of up to 2 years (1 + 1)

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 – Steep Ground Harvesting (West Region)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 – Steep Ground Harvesting (West Region)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional extensions of up to 2 years (1 + 1)

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - Steep Ground Harvesting (Central Region)

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3 - Steep Ground Harvesting (Central Region)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional extensions of up to 2 years (1 + 1)

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-015082](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

5 February 2025

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

5 February 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Prior to initial 5 year contract period ending, or prior to optional up to 2 years (1+1) extension period(s) ending if taken up.

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Question Scoring Methodology for Technical Criteria:

0 - Unacceptable - Nil or inadequate response. Fails to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirement.

1 - Poor - Response is partially relevant but generally poor. The response addresses some elements of the requirement but contains insufficient/limited detail or explanation to demonstrate how the requirement will be fulfilled.

2 - Acceptable - Response is relevant and acceptable. The response addresses a broad understanding of the requirement but may lack details on how the requirement will be fulfilled in certain areas.

3 - Good - Response is relevant and good. The response is sufficiently detailed to demonstrate a good understanding and provides details on how the requirements will be fulfilled.

4 - Excellent - Response is completely relevant and excellent overall. The response is

comprehensive, unambiguous and demonstrates a thorough understanding of the requirement and provides details of how the requirement will be met in full.

Any bidder that receives a score of ONE or LESS for one or more for the lot specific technical questions may be excluded from the tender.

Any bidder that receives a total technical score below 50% out of 100% will be excluded from the tender, and their commercial submission will not be evaluated..

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 27974. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

FLS have tailored the community benefits question to target increasing the workforce and community engagement.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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