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# 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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#### **NUTS** code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

http://forestryandland.gov.scot

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA3037

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

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <a href="https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/">https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/</a>

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.

(SC Ref:782966)

#### VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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