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## **Water Wastewater and Ancillary Services 3**

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/ccs>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Water Wastewater and Ancillary Services 3

Reference number

RM6306

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 65100000 - Water distribution and related services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

We are running this competition using the 'open procedure'. Crown Commercial Service (CCS) is seeking to establish a Framework Agreement to support delivery of Water, Wastewater and Ancillary Services. The duration of the Framework Agreement is for a four (4) year period. The Framework Agreement will be available for use by UK public sector bodies as described in the customer list.

The Framework consists of the following lots:

Lot 1 – Water and Waste Water Services

Lot 2 – Ancillary Services

Lot 3 – One Stop Shop (Combined Lot 1 and Lot 2 )

Bidders can bid for both Lot 1 and/or Lot 2.

Lot 3 will be formed upon award. Any bidder successfully awarded on both Lot 1 and Lot 2 combined will be awarded a place on Lot 3.

Suppliers will be required to provide the Deliverables (goods and services) set out in the Specification, the full Specification is set out in the Invitation to Tender (ITT).

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

CCS may award up to 3 Lots.

You can bid for both Lot 1 and/or Lot 2.

Lot 3 will be formed upon award. Any bidder successfully awarded both on Lot 1 and Lot 2 combined will be awarded a place on Lot 3.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Water and Wastewater

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 09320000 - Steam, hot water and associated products
- 24962000 - Water-treatment chemicals
- 38421100 - Water meters
- 39370000 - Water installations
- 42912300 - Machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
- 44163140 - Steam and water pipes
- 45330000 - Plumbing and sanitary works

- 50411100 - Repair and maintenance services of water meters
- 51514110 - Installation services of machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
- 65130000 - Operation of water supplies
- 71800000 - Consulting services for water-supply and waste consultancy

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Water and Wastewater Services

The Supplier shall provide Water Supply and Wastewater (Sewerage) services to eligible non-

household customers in accordance with the Water Act 2014.

The Supplier shall be required to hold and maintain throughout the Framework Agreement and any Call Off Contracts, a valid Water Supply and Sewerage Licence granted by the The Economic Regulator of the Water Sector in England and Wales (Ofwat) in accordance with Section 1 of the Water Act 2014. The Supplier shall comply with the requirements of the associated Wholesale Retail Code and the Market Arrangement Code as specified by the Regulator Ofwat.

The Supplier shall be required to deliver associated services in connection with the supply of water and wastewater services as required by the Buyers at Call Off stage:

Account Management including customer service;

Billing;

Metering including, Meter Reading (Including acceptance of AMR reads),

Management of sites and meters (including new connections and switching);

Facilitate meter installation/removal/resizing/accuracy tests;

Data Management;

Roads and Property Drainage;

Sewerage services including Trade Effluent;

Emergency Contingency Planning;

24/7 Emergency support; and

Guaranteed standards of Service.

An e-auction may be used at Call Off Contract stage for Lot 1

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

**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**

The value provided in section II.2.6) is only an estimate. Crown Commercial Service cannot guarantee any business through the framework agreement.

The number of Suppliers to be awarded a Framework Contract for this Lot is

20.

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Ancillary Services

Lot No

2

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 09320000 - Steam, hot water and associated products
- 24962000 - Water-treatment chemicals
- 38421100 - Water meters
- 39370000 - Water installations
- 42912300 - Machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
- 44163140 - Steam and water pipes
- 45330000 - Plumbing and sanitary works
- 50411100 - Repair and maintenance services of water meters
- 51514110 - Installation services of machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
- 65130000 - Operation of water supplies
- 71800000 - Consulting services for water-supply and waste consultancy

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

### **Ancillary Services**

The Supplier shall provide one (1) or more of the Ancillary Deliverables (goods and services) listed below. The Ancillary Services are pertaining to the management, conservation, reduction and data management of water consumption as requested by the Buyers in order to deliver efficiency, financial and consumption savings.

The Ancillary Services can include the requirement for purchase and installation of water management, water efficiency, water conservation or other water savings measures. These measures may include provision and installation of goods including new equipment optimisation of equipment (including existing equipment) and provision of related services.

Additional services may be required to improve the environmental conditions at Buyers sites.

The scope includes provision for the Supplier to offer its own or third party financing option on request by the Buyers, to support delivery of the Ancillary Deliverables (goods and services) listed below.

The Buyer may request Deliverables (goods and services) that are not listed below but fall within the scope of Ancillary Services. It is intended that the range of Ancillary Services will expand to meet the Buyers business needs as they develop their strategies. Initially the Framework Agreement will consist of the following nine

(9) Ancillary Services.

These Ancillary Deliverables (goods and services) are:

- ? Water Footprint assessment;
- ? Tariff optimisation and benchmarking;
- ? Water audit site surveys;
- ? Leak detection and repair;
- ? Contingency planning;



? Legionella Risk Assessments;

? Automated Meter Reading;

? Bill Validation; and

? Cost Recovery.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £500,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **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**

The value provided in section II.2.6) is only an estimate. Crown Commercial Service cannot guarantee any business through the framework agreement.

The number of Suppliers to be awarded a Framework Contract for this Lot is 40.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

One stop shop (Lot 1 and 2 combined)

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 09320000 - Steam, hot water and associated products
- 24962000 - Water-treatment chemicals
- 38421100 - Water meters
- 39370000 - Water installations
- 42912300 - Machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
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### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

One Stop Shop - (Combined Lot 1 and 2) Services

The Suppliers for Lot 3 shall provide a combination of the Services outlined in both Lot 1 and Lot 2 as required by the Buyers. All Suppliers must be able to provide at least one (1) of the Services listed in the description for Lot 2.

The Buyer may request Deliverables (goods and services) that are not listed in the Lot 2 description but fall within the scope of Ancillary Services. It is intended that the range of Ancillary Services will expand to meet the Buyers business needs as they develop their strategies.

The Framework Agreement consists of nine (9) Ancillary Services listed in the Lot 2 description, but is not limited as new services will be integrated depending on the Buyer's needs. Lot 3 will be formed upon award. Any bidder successfully awarded a place on both Lot 1 and Lot 2 will be awarded a place on Lot 3 One Stop Shop (Combined Lot 1 and Lot 2)

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £500,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **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**

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The number of Suppliers to be awarded a Framework Contract for this Lot is

20.

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### **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

Candidates will be assessed in accordance with Section 5 of the 2015 Public Contract Regulations (implementing the directive) on the basis of information provided in response to an invitation to tender (ITT) registering for access

##### **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

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

##### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

##### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **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: [2023/S 000-006064](#)

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

Date

5 February 2024

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 19 July 2024

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

5 February 2024

Local time

3:01pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### VI.3) Additional information

As part of this contract notice the following documents can be accessed at:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/d9de5972-5841-4607-a8b7-40c3fcd25592>

- 1) Contract notice transparency information for the agreement;
- 2) Contract notice authorised customer list;
- 3) Rights reserved for CCS framework.

The Government Security Classifications (GSC) Policy came into force on 2 April 2014 and describes how HM Government classifies information assets to ensure they are appropriately protected. It applies to all information that Government collects, stores, processes, generates or shares to deliver services and conduct business.

Cyber Essentials is a mandatory requirement for Central Government contracts which involve handling personal information or provide certain ICT products/services. Government is taking steps to reduce the levels of cyber security risk in its supply chain through the Cyber Essentials scheme. The scheme defines a set of controls which, when implemented, will provide organisations with basic protection from the most prevalent forms of threat coming from the internet. To participate in this procurement, bidders must be able to demonstrate they comply with the technical requirements prescribed by Cyber Essentials, for services under and in connection with this procurement.

Refer to <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/information/cyber-essentials-faqs> for more information.

Some purchases under this framework Agreement may have requirements that can be met under this Framework Agreement but the purchase of which may be exempt from the Procurement Regulations (as defined in Attachment 1 – About the framework within the invitation to tender documentation). In such cases, Call-offs from this Framework will be unregulated purchases for the purposes of the Procurement Regulations, and the buyers may, at their discretion, modify the terms of the Framework and any Call-off Contracts to reflect that buyer's specific needs.

CCS reserve the right to award a framework to any bidder whose final score is within 1%

of the last position.

Minimum standards of reliability:

CCS may also assess whether the selection criteria (in respect of III.1.3

Technical and professional ability), as set out in the procurement documents,

is met on request from a buyer prior to the proposed conclusion of a call-off

contract with a value in excess of 20,000,000 GBP.

Registering for access:

This procurement will be managed electronically via the eSourcing suite. This will be the route for sharing all information and communicating with bidders. If you have recently registered on the eSourcing suite for another CCS procurement you can use the same account for this new procurement. If not, you will first need to register your organisation on the portal.

Use the following link for information on how register and use the eSourcing tool:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esourcing-tool-guidance-for-suppliers>

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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