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#### Contract

# DoF - Collaborative Arrangement Provision of Energy Market Advisory Services (ID 5320877)

Department of Finance

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## Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Finance

303 Airport Road West

BELFAST

BT3 9ED

#### Contact

Collaboration.CPDfinance-ni.gov.uk

#### Email

Collaboration.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

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

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

General public services

## **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

DoF - Collaborative Arrangement Provision of Energy Market Advisory Services (ID 5320877)

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 71314000 - Energy and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Construction and Procurement Delivery (CPD) is a Centre of Procurement Expertise (CoPE). It is responsible for disseminating advice and guidance on the direction and policies on public procurement to the Northern Ireland public sector and monitoring their implementation. It is also responsible for managing procurements on behalf of central government departments, their agencies and arm's length bodies. In order to establish tender competitions in respect of electricity and gas and to manage the resultant contracts CPD requires energy market intelligence and expertise to provide specialist electricity and gas advisory services to the following bodies; • Construction and Procurement Division (CPD) • Education Authority (EA) • Translink • Business Services Organisation (BSO) • NI Water (NIW) The Contract will commence on the Commencement Date for four years with two extension options of 12 months each.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £250,000

## II.2) Description

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

- 71314200 Energy-management services
- 71314300 Energy-efficiency consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative Criteria / Weighting: 50

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative crieria / Weighting: 50

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This tender has 2 x 1 year extension options.

#### 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

This is a demand driven contract therefore the contract award value is different from the contract notice.

## **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: <u>2024/S 000-030202</u>

## Section V. Award of contract

## **Contract No**

1

## Title

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 January 2025

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

HORIZON ENERGY GROUP LIMITED

4400 Airport Business Park

CORK

T12 N84F

Email

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Telephone

+353 212355777

Country

Ireland

 $\mathsf{NUTS}\,\mathsf{code}$ 

• IE - Ireland

Internet address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

## Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

Contract monitoring: the successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance the matter will be escalated to senior management in Construction and Procurement Delivery (CPD) for further action. If this occurs and your performance does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, this can be considered grounds for termination of the contract at your expense as provided for in the Conditions of Contract. In lieu of termination, CPD may issue a Notice of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance may in accordance with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) be excluded from future public procurement competitions for a period of up to three years.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, and have applied a 10 day standstill period. This notification provides full information on the award decision. The standstill period has provided time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

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