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Request for Information: Provision of an Occupational Exposure Monitoring Service

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0396ff

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Housing and community amenities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71317210 - Health and safety consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Housing Executive requires information regarding potential costs in the provision of an occupational exposure monitoring service. Please see Section II.2.4 Description for further details.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71317200 - Health and safety services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Housing Executive is considering arranging a service to carry out occupational exposure monitoring of staff in our Direct Labour Organisation (DLO). DLO is the Housing Executive's in-house maintenance service. DLO staff are direct employees of the Housing Executive and cover Grounds Maintenance, Response Maintenance and Electrical Inspection.

The Housing Executive may require a service to carry out exposure monitoring for:

(1) Static work sites within our DLO Depots including: welding stations, mechanical work areas and stores which includes exposure to: hazardous vapours, fumes or dusts e.g. chemicals, paints, solvents, wood dusts, or as identified by the COSHH Risk Assessment process; vibration when using vibrating tools or equipment, such as sanders, hand and bench grinders, reciprocating saws, air ratchetts, portable hand drills etc.; and noise from tools/plant and processes; and

(2) A representative sample of staff working on transient work sites, where staff carry out various operations when undertaking Grounds Maintenance (outdoors) and Response Maintenance operations (mostly indoors); which includes exposure to hazardous vapours, fumes or dusts, noise and vibration.

Techniques for noise must include personal monitoring and static/background monitoring, for hazardous substances must include personal monitoring and static monitoring where deemed necessary. On-tool monitoring is to be used for vibration.

The Housing Executive request that interested suppliers provide us with estimated costs for an occupational exposure monitoring service. An information document containing further information about DLO and a breakdown of what monitoring services we estimate is required is available on request.

Please see Section II.2.14 on how to obtain further information.

II.2.14) Additional information

To request the information document please email Tricia Durnin tricia.durnin@nihe.gov.uk providing your organisation name, contact name and contact email address no later than 12pm Friday 20 January 2023. Cost estimates must be returned to tricia.durnin@nihe.gov.uk via email no later than 4pm Tuesday 31 January 2023.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 June 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is a request for information only. No award of contract will be made resulting from this PIN . There is no guarantee the Housing Executive will undertake a procurement competition for this service.