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# **Cyber Security: Testing for Application Software Security and Thames IT infrastructure Security**

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

F05: Contract notice - utilities

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# **Section I: Contracting entity**

# I.1) Name and addresses

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

Reading

RG18DB

#### Contact

**Thames Water** 

#### **Email**

procurement.support.centre@thameswater.co.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKJ11 - Berkshire

#### **Companies House**

02366661

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.thameswater.co.uk

# I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

https://forms.office.com/e/MAibfske6p

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://thameswater.sharepoint.com/sites/ProcurementSupportCentreBidProcessRepository/FA2220CyberSecurity

# I.6) Main activity

Water

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Cyber Security: Testing for Application Software Security and Thames IT infrastructure Security

Reference number

FA2220

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Thames Water Utilities Ltd (TWUL) is intending to award a framework agreement for the supply of security services for its IT and OT environments on a planned and project basis.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

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

• 72800000 - Computer audit and testing services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

- UKI London
- UKJ South East (England)

Main site or place of performance

Whole of the Thames Water Region

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

Application software security including but not limited to; Code Reviews, Static and Dynamic Code Scanning and Code Reviews, Code De-Buggers, Compilers, Configuration Validation.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

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

**Duration in months** 

96

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Thames Water envisages that the contract will be awarded for an initial term of 3 years with options to extend up to a maximum duration of 8 years

#### II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 15

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Thames Water envisages that the contract will be awarded for an initial term of 3 years with options to extend up to a maximum duration of 8 years

# Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

# III.1) Conditions for participation

#### III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As detailed in section VI.3 & PQQ.

#### III.1.6) Deposits and guarantees required

Bonds and/or parent company guarantees of performance and financial standing may be required

# III.1.7) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

Specified in Invitation to Negotiate Document

# III.1.8) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

Consortia may be required to form a legal entity prior to award

# Section IV. Procedure

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

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

# IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

30 January 2025

Local time

10:00am

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

English

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

# 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

All suppliers who wish to respond to this contract notice must request a pre-qualification questionnaire (PQQ) by using the web link in Section I.3 (<a href="https://www.thameswater.co.uk/procurement">www.thameswater.co.uk/procurement</a>).

From your response to the link in Section I.3 or above, Thames Water's Procurement Support Centre will send you an email providing login details for our eSourcing system. To complete the PQQ you will need to login to the project SharePoint site.

If the project requires it, you will receive an additional and separate survey to complete for Data Protection.

Note - The client may be Thames Water Utilities Limited or another company within the Kemble Water group structure.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Thames Water Utilities Ltd

Reading

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Thames Water Utilities Limited will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016 No 274) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).