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Contract

58_21 Ready Meals

ESPO

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKF21 - Leicester

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.espo.org/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Local Authority Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

58_21 Ready Meals

Reference number

58_21

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

ESPO is seeking to establish a multi supplier framework agreement for the supply of frozen ready meal solutions that shall include complete single portion main meals and desserts and multi-portion meal components, including main and side dishes, desserts and sweet and savoury sauces.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Single Portion Ready Meals

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products
- 15882000 - Dietetic products
- 15894200 - Prepared meals
- 15894210 - School meals
- 15894220 - Hospital meals
- 15894300 - Prepared dishes
- 15896000 - Deep-frozen products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of a range of frozen complete single portion main meals and desserts. The following information is applicable to all lots: ESPO has established a commercial trading company, ESPO Trading Ltd, whose target clients are third sector organisations such as national and local charities, public sector mutual organisations and other organisations involved in the delivery of services to or for the public sector. The successful supplier may be asked to enter into an additional separate framework agreement (the second framework) with ESPO Trading Ltd on materially similar terms to that found in the tender pack to be entered into by ESPO itself. Any second framework agreement will be a purely commercial agreement and will, for the avoidance of doubt, not be governed by the Public Contract Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. ESPO Trading Ltd may enter into the second framework agreement with the successful supplier and make it available to third sector clients who themselves are not required to follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. Accordingly, this is provided for bidders' information only. An eAuction process may be used to award subsequent call off contracts following the reopening of competition among the parties to the framework agreement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Non-price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 24 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.7 includes the option period.

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Multi-Portion Meal Components

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15882000 - Dietetic products
- 15894200 - Prepared meals
- 15894210 - School meals
- 15894220 - Hospital meals
- 15894300 - Prepared dishes
- 15896000 - Deep-frozen products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of a range of frozen ready meal solutions to include multi-portion meal components, including main and

side dishes, desserts and sweet and savory sauces.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Non-price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 24 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.7 includes the option period.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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

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: [2020/S 132-325108](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Single Portion Ready Meals

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 January 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

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

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

apetito Ltd

Canal Road

Trowbridge

BA14 8RJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

BFS Group Limited T/A Bidfood

814 Leigh Road Berkshire

Slough

SL1 4BD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

County Enterprise Foods part of Nottinghamshire County Council

Dukeries Way Dukeries Industrial Estate Nottinghamshire

Worksop

S81 7DW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

I Care (GB) Ltd

Building 3, Kingcraig Business Park Kingcraig Road

Blackpool

FY2 0PJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

NH Case Ltd

Bennetts Field Trading Estate Somerset

Wincanton

BA9 9DT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £16,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Multi-Portion Meal Components

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 January 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

As a Central Purchasing Body as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Framework Agreement is open for use by Public Bodies (defined at https://www.espo.org/ESPO/media/Documents/FAQs/ESPOs_powers_to_trade_website-2016-12-22.pdf) that also fall into one of the following classifications of user throughout all administrative regions of the UK: Local Authorities; Educational Establishments (including Academies); Central Government Departments and Agencies; Police, Fire & Rescue and Coastguard Emergency Services; NHS and HSC Bodies, including Ambulance Services; Registered Charities; Registered Social Landlords; The Corporate Office of the House of Lords, The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons; or any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament. Details of the classification of end user establishments and geographical areas are available at: <http://www.espo.org/About-us-%281%29/FAQs/Legal>

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Information on deadlines(s) for review procedures can be found in Part 3, Chapter 6 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.