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Call for projects under the Vulnerability and Carbon Monoxide Allowance (VCMA)

Wales And West Utilities

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Call for projects under the Vulnerability and Carbon Monoxide Allowance (VCMA)

Reference number

WWU1337

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 75300000 - Compulsory social security services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Wales and West Utilities (WWU) are looking to partner with organisations who can support us in identifying homes in or at risk of fuel poverty and offering services that make energy more affordable and ensure homes are able to keep the heating and cooking on, keeping them safe and warm during the cost-of-living crisis.

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Ofgem have now confirmed that Wales & West Utilities will have a further £16m which will be made available to WWU with at least 25% to be spent on collaborative projects with the other GDNs working across the UK. This will be ringfenced for projects that help us to identify homes in or at risk of fuel poverty and offering services that make energy more affordable and ensure homes are able to keep the heating and cooking on keeping them safe and warm during the cost-of-living crisis.

Through this tender we are looking to formally partner with multiple organisations who can support us in meeting our Business Plan targets and commitments

(See:

https://www.wwutilities.co.uk/services/safe-warm/vulnerability-and-carbon-monoxide-allowance/).

Organisations must be able to demonstrate a track record of administering these types of services for customers, and either have direct access to funds to support the funding of energy efficiency measures or indirect access through their own partnerships.

Expression of Interest

Participants wanting to participate in this sourcing activity must confirm their expression of interest and ability to provide the service required by e-mailing:

Rebecca.Crisp@wwutilities.co.uk

Please include the following information in your email:

- 1) Full company name;
- 2) Main contact details (name, job title, email address, and telephone numbers).

Please note the tender will be run via our procurement portal Bravo which requires suppliers to be registered to participate, failure to register will result in the supplier not being able to participate in the sourcing event. You can register for Bravo here -

sourcing4wwu.bravosolution.co.uk. In your expression of interest, please also include -

3) Bravo registered email address and contact name.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: <u>2023/S 000-024842</u>

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

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