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# **Express Freight Service**

Department of Health and Social Care

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

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London

SW1H 0EU

#### **Contact**

**Eve Masters** 

#### **Email**

ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk

### **Telephone**

+44 1132045540

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

### Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care

Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

# I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

**Express Freight Service** 

Reference number

C144709

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) is looking to appoint a competent provider to deliver an Express Freight Service including a Control Tower and Registration Portal.

The Express Freight Service provides global freight solutions enabling medical supplies to be shipped using both export and import premium services, utilising parcels, pallet and freight solutions including Pharma (GDP) and special services in the event of critical shortages.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,800,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

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

• 63521000 - Freight transport agency services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

UKI32 - Westminster

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

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Intended contract term: 17 months with the option to extend for up to 12 months. Estimated contract value £2.9m (plus £1.9m as maximum value of a potential variation in months 18-29 of the contract), excluding VAT. Therefore, possible total value for the duration of the contract £4.8m

For avoidance of doubt this is not a call for competition, the purpose is to advise the market of a potential DHSC procurement. This market engagement process does not form part of the formal procurement process. Should the formal procurement process commence, any supplier may join the competition and all supplier bids would be evaluated on the same basis.

A virtual supplier engagement event will be held on 30th March 2023 at 11am via Microsoft Teams. Please register your interest to attend the event by sending an email to <a href="mailto:ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk">ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk</a> by 12 noon on 24th March 2023 quoting 'Express Freight Service' in the email title. Access to the event will be provided on registration.

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

17 April 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: No