This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <u>https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/006279-2023</u>

Planning

Express Freight Service

Department of Health and Social Care

F01: Prior information notice Prior information only Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-006279 Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ade3 Published 3 March 2023, 11:43am

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

39 Victoria Street

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

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.

Intended contract term: 17 months with the option to extend for up to 12 months. Estimated contract value $\pounds 2.9m$ (plus $\pounds 1.9m$ 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 $\pounds 4.8m$

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 <u>ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk</u> 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