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Tender

## **Forestry Development and Management**

Scottish Water

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ae94

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Scottish Water

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://scottishwater.co.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Glasgow:-Agricultural%2C-forestry%2C-horticultural%2C-aquacultural-and-apicultural-services./PQGT8EE42>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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**I.6) Main activity**

Water

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Forestry Development and Management

Reference number

SW21/ACP/1365

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Development and management of Scottish Water woodland and forest for carbon sequestration including provision of professional advice, design, Scottish Forestry applications, tree procurement, site preparation, woodland carbon code site registration, tree planting, and maintenance.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

SCOTLAND

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

Provision of management for woodland and forest development services, including maintenance, for carbon sequestration. As part of its Net Zero Emissions Route-map, SW has committed to:

- Store more carbon dioxide than we produce by increasing the carbon dioxide stored on the land we own
- Increase the biodiversity on the land that we own
- Activities may include traditional woodland creation (biodiversity, or commercial) or other forms of vegetation planting and natural capital improvement to increase the amount of carbon stored on SW land.

Delivering this commitment will involve a significant programme of woodland creation in line with Scottish Forestry good practice and the requirements of the Woodland Creation Grant Schemes. This also includes the associated maintenance of woodland during the first five-years of period. Projects to go through several stages to reach the point where the new trees can grow sustainably without significant intervention. Services Required:

- Provision of expert advice.
- Engagement with Scottish Water rural property management supplier.
- Design preparation.
- Successful Scottish Forestry applications for grants/permissions.
- Tree procurement.
- Site Preparation.
- Tree planting and associated protection.
- Tree replacement planting 5-years after initial planting.
- Maintenance of trees and sites until trees are approximately 6ft high.

## **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: £10,000,000

## **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

Subject to changes in requirements, the framework may be re-procured in 2031.

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

Envisaged minimum number: 3

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

**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.2.14) Additional information**

The PQQ documents can also be accessed by logging in through the Scottish Water Delta e-sourcing webpage <https://scottishwater.delta-esourcing.com/> and through the Response Manager section using the following Access Code: PQGTD8EE42

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

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Applicants will be expected to be of sufficient financial and economic standing to support the anticipated contract value. All applicants must complete the financial questions within the pre-qualification questionnaire and tender documents. Financial standing relevant to the anticipated contract value will be determined by Scottish Water based on the response to the pre-qualification questionnaire and any further financial checks deemed necessary.

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Scottish Water reserves the right to require deposits, guarantees, bonds, or other forms of appropriate security.

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

All prices quoted shall be in Sterling (UK) and all payments shall be made in Sterling (UK). Payment shall be made on the basis of completed services in accordance with the agreed contract rates, schedules and conditions of contract.

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

In the event of a group of companies submitting an accepted offer it will be necessary for each member of the group to sign an undertaking that each company in the group will be jointly and severally liable for the satisfactory performance of the contract.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Bidders must comply with modern slavery act and operate an ethical supply chain.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

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

Date

4 April 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **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**

Scottish Water will not accept the SPD. We will only accept a completed Scottish Water PQQ document. This Notice does not preclude Scottish Water from issuing other notices for specific requirements. Responses to the FTS Notice will be evaluated and only successful applicants following PQQ evaluation will be invited to submit a tender. Applicants who fail to supply all of the information requested in response to this Notice or any resulting tender exercise may risk elimination.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Glasgow Sherriff Court

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow



G5 9TW

Country

United Kingdom

**VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Scottish Water

6 Buchanan Gate

Glasgow

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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Glasgow Sheriff Court

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom