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## **Market Engagement for Logistics Outsourcing Solution**

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care acting as part of the Crown through UK Health Security Agency

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care acting as part of the Crown through UK Health Security Agency

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-health-security-agency>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-health-security-agency>

**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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Market Engagement for Logistics Outsourcing Solution

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

- 63120000 - Storage and warehousing services

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

Services

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

UKHSA is seeking to establish an agreement with logistics provider(s) who can offer a range of supply chain logistics solutions including, but not limited to, 3PL, 4PL or 5PL solutions. As such, we would hope to conduct an open tender exercise in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 in the near future.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 90510000 - Refuse disposal and treatment
- 63120000 - Storage and warehousing services
- 90512000 - Refuse transport services
- 90513000 - Non-hazardous refuse and waste treatment and disposal services
- 64100000 - Post and courier services
- 64120000 - Courier services
- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

- 64121200 - Parcel delivery services
- 90514000 - Refuse recycling services
- 98391000 - Decommissioning services
- 64113000 - Postal services related to parcels

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The service has the following component parts, but please note that this list is not exhaustive:

Inbounding

Fulfilment

Distribution/outbound

Return Logistics

Manufacturing

Disposals/Storage of items for disposal

Courier services

Storage at ambient temperature required

Record keeping and reporting

An overall need of UKHSA is to ensure that requirements and outputs are managed in a way that:-

Continues to provide a high-quality flexible service that can adapt to suit the needs of the population;

drives maximum savings

increases UKHSA efficiency;

promotes the use of 'best practice' in line with warehouse management system (WMS) and Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) regulatory requirements; and

provides full transparency of reporting and record keeping

Critical to the success of the envisaged Contract are:

A high-quality service which operates 7 days a week providing movement of approximately 416 pallets/day across the entire UK

Storage of approximately 20,000 pallets in an ambient temperature environment in line with MHRA and National Audit Office (NAO) guidelines

Ability to provide fulfilment of PCR/LFD kits

Provision of a return logistics service is essential

A fully flexible service which can adapt to the needs of UKHSA in a timely manner

Full audit trail of documentation and reporting mechanisms.

No decision has been taken on the route to market for this opportunity. The Authority reserves the right to alter its route to market and may not proceed to tender this opportunity. The Authority reserves the right to make the final decision on the route to market following a review of the responses to this engagement which will consider feedback received in relation to the opportunity.

This Market Engagement is separate to any later procurement exercise. The Authority will not use this Market Engagement to inform the suitability of any future potential supplier. However, we strongly advise anyone who has an interest in being considered as a potential supplier should engage with this exercise.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Should your organisation be interested in this opportunity, please respond by 3.00pm on Friday 17th March using the attachment provided and return via email to ([Logisticsandto@ukhsa.gov.uk](mailto:Logisticsandto@ukhsa.gov.uk) with subject title "Market Engagement for Logistics Outsourcing Solution"

[https://atamis-1928.cloudforce.com/sfc/p/0O000000rwim/a/8d000001Qkrv/fN9uiEPeU4i\\_HBJSA8UXvaXnMkCNUxyTYnESyFDyeMk](https://atamis-1928.cloudforce.com/sfc/p/0O000000rwim/a/8d000001Qkrv/fN9uiEPeU4i_HBJSA8UXvaXnMkCNUxyTYnESyFDyeMk)

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

31 March 2024

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## **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: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Any information shared may be subject to requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) and may be released unless an exemption or exception applies under the relevant legislation.

The purpose of this market engagement is to gather information to:  
help define the service specification for the requirement

help provide a better understanding of the feasibility of the requirement;

understand the capacity of the market to deliver and possible risks involved;

inform value for money considerations undertaken by the Authority

provide the market with an opportunity to ask questions, raise queries and any issues to be addressed at an early stage;

inform potential delivery timescales

inform our decision on the route to market.