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Tender

Mass Fatality Resilience Capability

Home Office

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Home Office

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Email

collaborativeprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.homeoffice.gov.uk

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Mass Fatality Resilience Capability

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33900000 - Post-mortem and mortuary equipment and supplies

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Following on from the market engagement notice in late 2024, The Home Office now invites suppliers to submit tenders for a Mass Fatality Capability Resilience Storage Framework.

In the event of a major incident resulting in a large number of fatalities which could overwhelm existing body storage capacity the Home Office would provide contingency support to the requesting local authority. The Home Office seeks to replace its current capability with a more efficient operating model. This opportunity will support the Home Offices strategy.

The initial term is 2 years, with the options to extend yearly for up to 2 additional years (2+1+1).

Our vision

We believe a multiple lot framework agreement would be best suited to meet the demands of this capability. Suppliers offering alternative solutions will bid for a place on a capability lot, this will involve suppliers maintaining access to provisions which could be called upon for deployment by the Authority. These aims will be delivered with the responses of this document in mind to ensure that we consider any novel and/or unique approach that could be utilised as a solution.

The scope for this provision is predominantly England, however there is a possibility that the Devolved Administration Governments (Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) may also enrol.

We will outline the configuration of our core requirement of storage for up to 700 fatalities across three phases (although the authority may adjust the planned fatalities storage of one or more phases to ensure a successful core requirement is delivered). Each phase will be put to the market as separate lots, although we would welcome multiple bids if relevant and the supplier is able to offer a viable to solution to multiple.

Soft Shell:

We plan to have a minimum call-off storage of 100 fatalities for the 'soft shell' portable temporary body storage (including some bariatric). Soft shell may require cover for adverse weather and should be deployable within twenty-four hours.

Hard Shell:

Hard shell may be similar to the existing ISO container body storage units ("hard shell"). The characteristic of this phase is that units should remain versatile and robust to all weather events and may require hard standing. They offer refrigeration and have the ability to freeze. They should provide storage of up to 150 of the deceased (including bariatric). Delivery and assembly should take no longer than three days.

Temporary Building:

The final tier relates to an alternative building/ structure that could be housed outside independently, similar to Nightingale hospitals during the Covid-19 pandemic. They should allow both refrigeration and freezing. The core requirement will be at least 450 fatalities including bariatric and/ or fragmented fatalities. This will need to be deployed within 5 days.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £7,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

Soft shell-lot 1

Hard shell-lot 2

Temporary building-lot 3

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Soft shell

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33900000 - Post-mortem and mortuary equipment and supplies

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: £2,500,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

1 year + 1 year

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Hard shell

Lot No

Lot 2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33970000 - Mortuary equipment and supplies

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

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Temporary building

Lot No

Lot 3

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Framework limited to 4 years

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

14 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

28 March 2025

Local time

12:01pm

Place

Home Office building

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Home Office Commercial Officer

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

This procurement will be managed electronically via the Home Office e-sourcing Portal (JAGGAER). To participate in this procurement, participants must first be registered on the e-sourcing Portal.

If you have not yet registered on the e-sourcing Portal, this can be done online at <https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com> by following the link; To register click here.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so.

Once you have registered on the e-sourcing Portal, a registered user can express an interest for a specific procurement. This is done by emailing collaborativeprocurement@homeoffice.gov.uk

Your email must clearly state: the name and reference for the procurement you wish to register for; the name of the registered supplier; and the name and contact details for the registered individual sending the email. The e-mail will be processed and then the buyer will enable the supplier to access the procurement online via the e-sourcing Portal. The registered user will receive a notification email to alert them once this has been done.

For technical assistance on use of the e-sourcing Portal please contact the JAGGAER Supplier Helpdesk at customersupport@jaggaer.com or 0800 069 8630 (0800 - 1800hrs).

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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