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Tender

Asset Inspection and Testing

Scottish Water

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.scottishwater.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.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:-Technical-inspection-and-testing-services./64736F2856>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-title/64736F2856>

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I.6) Main activity

Water

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Asset Inspection and Testing

Reference number

SW19/CI/1266

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

To support our business, Scottish Water require asset inspection and testing services suppliers who will help us provide solutions for the capturing of information to help us manage our business and plan and deliver our Inspection Studies Programme.

SW is keen to explore all inspection and testing methodologies that can deliver its data requirements, especially if different techniques can provide our data requirements at a lower cost, less risk or reduce carbon footprint.

We currently use many common asset inspection techniques through our current suppliers. In our new Investment Planning period we are looking for suppliers to collaborate with us more closely in order to innovate across a wide range of techniques to capture, manipulate and store survey data.

Full scope and requirements can be found with the document section of the Project on Delta.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £108,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71631000 - Technical inspection services
- 71355000 - Surveying services
- 71632200 - Non-destructive testing services
- 90491000 - Sewer survey services
- 76600000 - Pipeline-inspection services
- 71632000 - Technical testing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

SCOTLAND

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Scottish Water provides drinking water to 2.46 million households and 150,000 business customers in Scotland. Every day it supplies 1.34 billion litres of drinking water and takes away 847 million litres of wastewater from customers' properties and treats it before returning it to the environment. We own a national network of impounding and service reservoirs, 30,311 miles of water pipes, 33,059 miles of Sewers, 239 water treatment works and 1827 wastewater Treatment Works that require us to invest in the region of £600M per year to maintain and enhance our services. To support our business, we require asset inspection and testing services suppliers who will help us provide innovative solutions for the capturing of information to help us manage our business and plan and deliver our Inspection Studies Programme. We envisage our survey partners will work with our Asset Planners, Asset Operations and Project Delivery Partners to provide a comprehensive suite of inspection and testing services.

To assist the role of supporting a flourishing Scotland, Scottish Waters has set out three strategic ambitions of; service excellence, beyond net zero emissions and great value & financial sustainability. Therefore, we are keen to explore all inspection and testing methodologies that can deliver its data requirements, especially if different techniques can provide our data requirements at a lower cost, less risk or reduce carbon footprint.

We currently use many common asset inspection techniques through our current suppliers. In our new Investment Planning period we are looking for suppliers to collaborate with us more closely in order to innovate across a wide range of techniques to capture, manipulate and store survey data.

Typical inspections are currently undertaken through visual and intrusive inspections which are compatible to use on live, in service assets which may contain potable water or wastewater, will produce a highly accurate output, and have no adverse Health and Safety concerns. Scottish Water is keen to explore techniques which will deliver accurate data on the conditions of our asset base with innovative methodologies where possible, such as remote inspections and reduced enabling activity.

Inspections are required to understand the condition of the asset base. Inspections will set a baseline to improve understanding of asset base condition against which future degradation and deterioration can be monitored when compared to data from future inspections. This knowledge will be used to assess asset risks and identify those with potential to impact on service to customers and assets which have a higher likelihood of failure. The output from inspections may include recommendations for interventions, which will be reviewed and prioritised. Inspection recommendations may also determine future inspection timescales in accordance with the relevant SPMA.

Scottish Water has a large asset base used to deliver services to customers which requires suppliers to provide project specific asset inspection and testing services for both above ground and underground assets.

Scottish Water may engage the Bidder in further discussions when there is a need for further evidence of suitability.

The total spend over the framework period for the inspection and studies programme is forecasted at £85 - £108 million. These figures are however subject to change as SW look to transform the current framework and drive innovation through new inspection techniques.

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: £108,000,000

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

The contract will be awarded for an initial period of 4 years with a further 4 years of extension options thereafter at the sole discretion of Scottish Water.

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

Envisaged minimum number: 12

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 be also 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:64736F2856

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.

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 several operators

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

7 June 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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. Scottish Water reserves the right to divide the scope of the contract into lots at tender and contract award stages as it deems appropriate. Applicants who fail to supply all of the information requested in response to this Notice or any resulting tender exercise may risk elimination.

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To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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