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Tender

Environment Agency Contract for National Tide Gauge Maintenance

Environment Agency

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-ruralaffairs

Buyer's address

https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk

I.3) Communication

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

https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Environment Agency Contract for National Tide Gauge Maintenance

Reference number

Project_32994

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 90700000 - Environmental services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Environment Agency owns and maintains 42 'Class A' strategic tide gauges, distributed around the UK coastline on behalf of the UK Coastal Flood Forecasting partnership. These are commonly referred to as the UKCFF tide gauges or UK National Tide Gauge Network (NTGN).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The network currently consists of 21 sites in England, 10 in Scotland, 7 in Wales, 2 in Northern Ireland, 1 in Jersey and 1 in the Isle of Man. The Environment Agency is responsible for and manages all gauges in the network.

Use of the data is not restricted to the operating authority boundary in which a gauge is located, for example both the Environment Agency (England) and Natural Resources Wales (Wales) use the Liverpool tide gauge data in delivering their forecasting services.

These tide gauges are of critical importance in providing flood forecasting, warning, modelling, mapping and operational activities. The primary use of the network is to support the operational flood forecasting activities of the UK Flood Forecasting Authorities. The gauges are used to:

- Provide a strategic overview of real time coastal conditions around the UK.
- Track the progress of coastal surge around the UK waters.
- Develop and calibrate the coastal surge model hosted by the Met Office.

• Produce high quality tide tables for key strategic locations in the UK for flood forecasting.

• Provide high quality archive data sets for use in coastal flood modelling and mapping applications and modelling of extreme sea levels.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

6

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

tbc

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

7 June 2021

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

7 June 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: tbc

VI.3) Additional information

Thank you for your interest in tendering for this requirement, You will need to access the documents through Bravo Solutions portal.

1) The web address is <u>https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk</u> and click the link to register — Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' — Enter your correct business and user details — Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete — You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure).

2. Express an Interest in the tender — Login to the portal with the username/password — Click the 'PQQs / ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier) — Click on the relevant PQQ/ ITT to access the content. - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. — This will move the PQQ /ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only) -You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ ITT Details' box 3. Responding to the tender - Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining) — You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification — Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ ITT ---There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available) You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. Please give yourself enough time to complete this before the deadline. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the e-Tendering help desk.

Please direct all questions and queries through the message function of the portal, including any clarification questions. This is to ensure no questions are missed and that all answers can be shared with all interested suppliers at the same time

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Courts of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom