

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/010486-2024>

Tender

## **CAT-23-008 Supply and Delivery of Frozen Foods**

the Education Authority

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-010486

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040ffe

Published 29 March 2024, 3:34pm

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

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

the Education Authority

69

Belfast

BT17 0PT

#### **Email**

[catering.procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:catering.procure@eani.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

## **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://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

---

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

CAT-23-008 Supply and Delivery of Frozen Foods

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

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

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

Supplies

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

The EA invites tenders for the Supply and Delivery of Frozen Food Products for 4 years from the Commencement Date (anticipated to be 1st August 2024) with options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points (giving a total potential Contract Period of 6 years).

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

Value excluding VAT: £107,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots

2

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Frozen Meat, Fish and Poultry Products

Lot No

1

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

- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products
- 15331170 - Frozen vegetables
- 15221000 - Frozen fish
- 15331100 - Fresh or frozen vegetables
- 15229000 - Frozen fish products
- 15220000 - Frozen fish, fish fillets and other fish meat
- 15311000 - Frozen potatoes
- 15311200 - Diced, sliced and other frozen potatoes
- 15894000 - Processed food products

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The EA invites tenders for the Supply and Delivery of Frozen Food Products for 4 years from the Commencement Date (anticipated to be 1st August 2024) with options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points (giving a total potential Contract Period of 6 years).

### **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: £54,067,100

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract period will be for 4 years from the date of contract commencement with the options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points.

#### **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 Client cannot guarantee any particular level of business within the Contract. Any information on previous volumes or value of business are for guidance only and no guarantee is given as to the exact value under this Contract. Any levels, or aggregate values of goods, referred to are indicative only and shall not be binding on the Client.

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Miscellaneous Frozen Products

Lot No

2

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

- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products
- 15331170 - Frozen vegetables
- 15221000 - Frozen fish
- 15331100 - Fresh or frozen vegetables
- 15229000 - Frozen fish products
- 15220000 - Frozen fish, fish fillets and other fish meat
- 15311000 - Frozen potatoes
- 15311200 - Diced, sliced and other frozen potatoes
- 15894000 - Processed food products

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The EA invites tenders for the Supply and Delivery of Frozen Food Products for 4 years from the Commencement Date (anticipated to be 1st August 2024) with options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points (giving a total potential Contract Period of 6 years).

### **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: £52,932,900

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract period will be for 4 years from the date of contract commencement with the options to

extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points

#### **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 Client cannot guarantee any particular level of business within the Contract. Any information on.. previous volumes or value of business are for guidance only and no guarantee is given as to the exact value under this Contract. Any. levels, or aggregate values of goods, referred to are indicative only and shall not be binding on the Client.

---

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

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

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

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

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

Full details can be found in the CfT documents section on eTendersNI.

## **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: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-031923](#)

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

Date

2 May 2024

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 31 July 2024

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

2 May 2024

Local time

3:30pm

---

## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### VI.3) Additional information

This Contract will be established by the Education Authority (“EA”) and is open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows, and at some point, during the life of the Contract these bodies may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This Contract is not intended to replace any current agreements that participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/schools-plus>. Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA. Catholic Maintained Schools. Independent Schools in NI. Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and, Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI (both controlled and Catholic Maintained), school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fe-colleges>. Further Education Colleges in NI. <https://www.nicie.org/parents/school-finder/>. Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI. <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/northern-ireland/>. Independent School in NI. EA Teachers’ and Educational Centres. Council for the Curriculum, Examination and Assessment NI (CCEA) . Armagh Observatory and Planetarium. Middletown Centre for Autism. Controlled Schools Support Council (CSSC)... Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education (NICIE). Tenderers should ensure they read and understand the documentation found in the CFT documents area of eTendersNI. As a Public Sector Procurement organisation, EA must adhere to the Procurement Policy Notes, <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/articles/procurement-policy-notes-ppns>. This tender includes requirements relating to Human Rights, Modern Slavery, Supply Chain Resilience and Social Value and all tenders must meet the requirements detailed in the tender documentation to be compliant. EA reserves the right to: 1. Not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice. 2. To make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition. 3. To award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the supplies covered by this notice.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR

2015 as amended.

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures

Country

United Kingdom