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Supply and Delivery of Grab and Go Food Items to NI Education Authority School Meals Kitchens (DAC)

Education Authority

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Education Authority

3 Charlemont Place

Armagh

BT61 9AX

Email

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.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

Supply and Delivery of Grab and Go Food Items to NI Education Authority School Meals Kitchens (DAC)

Reference number

CAT-23-002

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15811511 - Prepared sandwiches

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The award of a contract by Education Authority Northern Ireland (EANI) using the negotiated procedure without prior publication under PCR 2015 32.2(a), in respect of the provision of Supply and Delivery of Prepared Grab and Go Food Products for period ending 30 June 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £271,705

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this VEAT notice is to inform and provide prior notice to the market that EANI intends to award a Contract for the Supply and Delivery of Grab and Go Food Products to a single supplier using the negotiated procedure without prior publication under PCR 2015 32.2(a), in respect of the provision of Supply and Delivery of Prepared Grab and Go Food Products to EA School Meals Kitchens across Northern Ireland.

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 purpose of this VEAT notice is to inform and provide prior notice to the market that EANI intends to award a contract for the Supply and Delivery of Prepared Sandwiches and Rolls to a single supplier using the negotiated procedure without prior publication under PCR 2015 32.2(a), in respect of the provision of Supply and Delivery of Prepared Grab and Go Food Products to EA School Meals Kitchens across Northern Ireland. The time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with. Following publication of this VEAT Notice, the Authority will observe a 10 day standstill which will conclude at midnight on 15 May 2023. It is critical that the Authority have this provision due to recruitment issues in EANI kitchens. EANI catering service has experienced a significant reduction in staffing resources at extremely short notice and recruitment problems within the catering service has meant school kitchen service provision will need to be enhanced by an external provider of sandwiches and associated items to allow EANI to meet its statutory obligation to provide meal service to students. This contract will allow for the supply and delivery of sandwiches and associated items to school kitchens until the end of this academic year i.e. 30 June 2023. EANI intends to run a new tender process and it is anticipated that this will be in place by September 2023.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to open procedure

Explanation:

The award of this contract is compliant with PCR 2015 32.2(a) use of the negotiated procedure without prior publication on the following grounds; a) where no tenders, no suitable tenders, no requests to participate or no suitable requests to participate have been submitted in response to an open procedure or a restricted procedure, provided that the initial conditions of the contract are not substantially altered and that a report is sent to the Commission where it so requests. The requirement to let this contract has arisen due to the failure of an open tender competition to make an award. No compliant bids were received and the Authority are currently undertaking a re-tender process. This contract will allow for the supply and delivery of Grab and Go Food Products to school kitchens until the end of this academic year i.e. 30 June 2023. EANI intends to run a new tender process and it is anticipated that this will be in place by September 2023. Following publication of this VEAT Notice, the Authority will observe a 10 day standstill which will conclude at midnight on 15 May 2023.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

CAT-23-002

Title

Supply and Delivery of Grab and Go Food Items to NI Education Authority School Meals Kitchens (DAC)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 May 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Early Days Foods Ltd

Newry

Email

ryan@earlydaysfoods.com

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://earlydaysfoods.com/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £271,705

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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

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