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Tender

Design and Build of a Solar PV Farm at Nethermains, Kilwinning

North Ayrshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/web/login.html>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Design and Build of a Solar PV Farm at Nethermains, Kilwinning

Reference number

NAC/5061

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

North Ayrshire Council (“NAC”) invites tenders for the design and build of a solar PV farm at Nethermains, Kilwinning). The resultant contract will be for a period of 56 months, including 8 months design and build, 12 months operation and 48 months maintenance commencing October 2021 until May 2026 with the option to extend the operation by up to 6 months until November 2023 and the maintenance by up to 16 years until May 2042. The operation and maintenance will run together in year 1 and potentially year 2 if the operation extension is utilised.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 09331000 - Solar panels
- 09331200 - Solar photovoltaic modules
- 09332000 - Solar installation

- 31200000 - Electricity distribution and control apparatus
- 45231400 - Construction work for electricity power lines
- 50411300 - Repair and maintenance services of electricity meters
- 51112000 - Installation services of electricity distribution and control equipment
- 65300000 - Electricity distribution and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

Main site or place of performance

Nethermains, Kilwinning.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

North Ayrshire Council (“NAC”) invites tenders for the design and build of a solar PV farm at Nethermains, Kilwinning). The resultant contract will be for a period of 56 months, including 8 months design and build, 12 months operation and 48 months maintenance commencing October 2021 until May 2026 with the option to extend the operation by up to 6 months until November 2023 and the maintenance by up to 16 years until May 2042. The operation and maintenance will run together in year 1 and potentially year 2 if the operation extension is utilised.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Solar PV Programme of Works / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Operation and Maintenance Arrangements / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Health and Safety / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Solar PV Design and Equipment / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 50

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

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

NAC reserve the right to extend operation by up to 6 months, and reserve the right to extend maintenance by up to 16 years. Extensions will be at the sole discretion of NAC and subject to satisfactory performance and funding.

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

If required, bidders are required to be enrolled in the relevant professional or trade registers within the country in which they are established.

Bidders must confirm if they hold the particular authorisation or memberships.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Bidders will be required to have a minimum yearly “general” turnover of 6,768,000 GBP for the last 3 years.

North Ayrshire Council reserve the right to review the bidders financial information including information from credit reference agencies at tender stage and throughout the life of the contract, and seek clarifications if necessary. If clarifications are not satisfactory the bidder may be excluded from the tender process.

Bidders who cannot meet the required level of turnover will be excluded from this tender.

Where turnover information is not available for the time period requested, the bidder will be required to state the date which they were set up or started trading.

It is a requirement of this contract that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commence of any subsequently awarded contract, the types and levels of insurance indicated below:

Employer’s (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = 5,000,000 GBP each and every claim and unlimited in the period.

Public Liability Insurance = 5,000,000 GBP each and every claim and unlimited in the period.

Product Liability Insurance = 5,000,000 GBP in the aggregate in the policy period.

Professional Indemnity Insurance = 10,000,000 GBP each and every claim, unlimited in the period and for a period of 6 years following completion of the contract or earlier

termination.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Bidders will be required to provide a minimum of 2 examples of works carried out in the past 5 years that demonstrates they have the relevant experience to deliver the work as described in part II.2.4 of the Contract Notice. Example 1 should include the design and build of a similar PV farm and Example 2 should include a large-scale energy renewable project. Unsatisfactory experience will result in exclusion from the tender process.

Bidders must also provide two satisfactory references for the same two contracts on the reference templates provided. References should be completed and signed by previous customers. If any of the referees score the bidder less than 2 the bidder will be excluded from the tender process.

Completed experience and reference templates must be zipped and uploaded at question 4C.1 of the qualification envelope.

Bidders will be required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Please refer to NAC-5061 Technical Specification.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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

Date

23 July 2021

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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

23 July 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

Lots are not being used for this tender for the reasons stated below:

Nature of the contract not suitable for lots.

Delivery of the contract is location specific.

Quality Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent) or a documented policy regarding quality management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

Health and Safety Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS OHSAS 18001 (or equivalent) or have, within the last 12 months, successfully met the assessment requirements of a construction-related scheme in registered membership of the Safety Schemes in Procurement (SSIP) forum or the bidder must have a regularly reviewed and documented policy for Health and Safety management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

Environmental Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 14001 (or equivalent) or a valid EMAS (or equivalent) certificate or the bidder must have a regularly reviewed documented policy regarding environmental management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.2.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 18948. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include a sub-contract clause as part of community benefits (as per Section 25 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014) in this contract for the following reason:

Contractor is likely to have their own sub-contractors to draw from.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:
<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2361>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Community benefits will be requested on a minimum requirement basis for:

Employability

Supply Chain Initiatives

Education and Community Engagement

(SC Ref:657240)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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