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## **VEAT Notice - For the Provision of Delivery Organisation to support the Green Homes Grant Local Delivery Phase 2 – Using Direct Award Facility under Regulation 32(2)(a) of the PCR 2015 - Solent LEP Area**

West of England Combined Authority

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-029a09

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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**NUTS code**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.westofengland-ca.org.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.westofengland-ca.org.uk/>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

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Reference number

DN550941

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

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

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

Services

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

As part of the Government's Covid-19 Green Stimulus package, funding has been made available to the West of England Combined Authority, as accountable body to the South West Energy Hub, to promote the adoption of energy efficiency and low carbon measures in domestic properties via the Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery Phase 2 scheme within the Solent LEP Area.

The West of England Combined Authority is appointing City Energy Networks as the Delivery Organisation for the Solent LEP Area to deliver the entire Customer Journey (lead generation through to installation completion).

The contract, valued at £8,615,208, concerns the installation of insulation and other energy efficiency measures, non-fossil fuel heating and micro-generation measures in the homes of households who are either on low incomes and are identified as suffering from fuel poverty .

#### **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: £8,615,208

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The Delivery Organisation is responsible for managing the end-to-end Customer Journey,

which includes but is not exclusive to: marketing and engagement, assessing the household's eligibility, conducting a property assessment, identifying the Measures are suitable for the Dwelling, carrying out a technical assessment, installing the Measures, arranging a mid and post-Installation Inspection (as appropriate), arranging billing of the Authority and the Customer, as appropriate, and following up with monitoring and evaluation as per the relevant PAS2035 pathway.

### **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

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## **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:

Justification for the direct award under Regulation 32(2) A.

WECA intend to directly award a contract to City Energy Networks for the services described in this notice.

It is doing so for the following reasons:

1. For the Solent LEP area. The initial open procedure procurement exercise linked to notice FTS number 2021/S 000-004760 – dated 09/03/21 failed to generate any suitable tender submissions within the meaning of Regulation 32(3) (i.e. in relation to suitable tenders).

2. WECA is of the view, acting in good faith, that the intended contract award is made in compliance with Regulation 32(2)(a) as the initial contract conditions will not be substantially altered. The key contract terms (payment model, liability levels, indemnity levels) remain unaltered. Delivery time frames (i.e end of December 2021) remain unaltered.

3. Despite not being explicitly required to do so by Regulation 32, WECA has sought to apply the same selection criteria as used in the initial procurement to the intended contractor for the purposes of fairness and transparency. However, it has not applied the original rule in relation to turnover requirements, and would note that the resulting contract award will result in City Energy Networks effectively being awarded more than 2 “lots” overall, i.e. when taking into account the original rules of the initial procurement which stipulated that one contractor could only be awarded up to 2 “lots”. Furthermore, WECA has applied a more proportional approach to Public Liability insurance, requiring a baseline of £5m rising to a maximum of £25m when high risk installations are identified.

It is our intention to conclude contracts on or around the 10th of July 2021.

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

Notice number: [2021/S 000-004760](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

30 June 2021

#### **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**

City Energy Network Limited

Coptic House, Mount Stuart Square

Cardiff

CF10 5EE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07889412

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £8,615,208

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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