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Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub Strategic Partnership

Aberdeen City Council
Aberdeenshire Council

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub Strategic Partnership

Reference number

FNRV 7437

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 24111600 - Hydrogen

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Procurement Purpose

Aberdeen City Council (the "Council") is seeking to procure an experienced, dynamic and innovative strategic partner to form a long-term joint venture with the Council (the "Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub Strategic Partnership"), in order to secure substantial low carbon infrastructure investment and delivery capability in support of the City's Hydrogen Hub and Net Zero Vision. As part of its role in the Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub Strategic Partnership, the strategic partner will be expected to provide finance and investment for the opportunity and competent resources including scoping, design, procurement, project management, implementation, delivery, operation, maintenance, commercial support and technical expertise. Phase 1 will include the procurement of a hydrogen production facility for public sector consumption of a resilient, cost effective supply of green hydrogen on a commercial basis to support both existing and proposed transport projects. Phase 2 envisages supply to larger volume utilisation hydrogen vehicles such as rail, freight and marine. Phase 3 will involve the supply of hydrogen for heat and export.

The joint venture will enter into a Hydrogen Supply Framework Agreement with the Council for an initial period of 10 years with two subsequent optional extensions of 5 years each. This agreement will set out the terms upon which the joint venture will supply hydrogen to the Council during Phase 1, and develop proposals for delivery of hydrogen to the Council during Phases 2 and 3. The Hydrogen Supply Framework Agreement will also set out the terms upon which Non ACC Contracting Authorities will be permitted to call-off hydrogen supplies under the framework agreement.

The Council has agreed in principle to fund 19.4 million GDP from its Capital Programme as investment in the Hydrogen Energy Partnership. The form of investment by the Council into the joint venture will be the subject of dialogue and subject to meeting subsidy control requirements.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: <u>2021/S 000-014187</u>

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.2) Other additional information

Extension of clarification question time for Bidders and confidential questions

The Council have extended the time limit for submitting clarification questions to 13 July 2021 at 12:00 (noon). The date "8 July 2021" is therefore substituted with "13 July 2021" within paragraph 1.2 (Point of Contact) and the Bidder Clarification Deadline specified within the Procurement Timetable at Section 7 of the SPD Instructions.

The following additional text shall be deemed to be incorporated within the SPD Instructions at paragraph 1.2 (Point of Contact):

"If a Bidder wishes the Council to treat a Bidder clarification question, or the response, as confidential and not issue it to all Bidders, this must be clearly stated in the clarification question which should be submitted to the following mailbox:

CPSSprocurement@aberdeencity.gov.uk

If, in the opinion of the Council, the Bidder's clarification question is of a confidential nature, the Council will respond directly to that Bidder.

If, in the opinion of the Council, the Bidder's clarification question is not of a confidential nature, the Council will inform the Bidder of that. The Bidder will then have the option of either not raising the clarification question, or resubmitting the question (or a revised version of it) via the Question and Answer facility in the Contract Notice on the Public Contracts Scotland Portal (to be responded to by the Council on an open basis). "

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