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## **PIN - Provision of Inspection and Quality Assurance Services**

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

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**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://sharedsystems.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=SELLAFIELD>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Nuclear Decommissioning

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

PIN - Provision of Inspection and Quality Assurance Services

Reference number

7474

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

- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services

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

Services

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

This prior Information notice without call for competition is to advise interested parties about a forthcoming 'open procedure' procurement to establish a single supplier agreement for the provision of multi-disciplined Inspection and Quality Assurance services, including but not exclusive to welding; mechanical; industrial coating; CE&I inspection and Non Destructive Testing (NDT) supported by welding and metallurgy Subject Matter Experts (SME's).

Sellafield Ltd will lead the collaborative procurement on behalf of the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) group which includes; Sellafield Ltd; Magnox Ltd; Dounreay Site Restoration Ltd (DSRL); Nuclear Waste Services (joint trading name of both LLW Repository Ltd (LLWR) and Radioactive Waste Management Ltd (RWM) Nuclear Transport Solutions. (operating Direct Rail Services and Pacific Nuclear Transport Ltd (PNTL)

The services are to be provided at client and supplier sites throughout the UK and, on occasion, sites overseas.

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

Value excluding VAT: £33,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services
- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services
- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 71631000 - Technical inspection services
- 71632000 - Technical testing services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

In relation to the delivery of products and services from both local and multinational suppliers, provision of independent third party inspection services are required to:

- comply with regulatory and legal obligations;
- assure compliance with specifications and requirements; and
- ensure that standards are met,

In the provision of the service the supplier will be required to promote the client's objectives of:

- Delivering a world class programme of safe, cost-effective, accelerated and environmentally responsible decommissioning of the UK's civil nuclear legacy in an open and transparent manner, with due regard to the socio-economic impacts on our communities;
- Working within a project team based on mutual trust, co-operation and good industry practice;
- Instilling a 'right first time' attitude throughout the project team;

- Commitment to incorporating good environmental practices of resource and energy efficiency, healthy buildings, plant and materials, whilst maintaining an ecologically, socially and aesthetically sensitive approach without compromising functionality, quality or cost performance;
- Delivering the Social Impact Strategy to create; resilient economies; thriving communities; social value chains; sustainable incomes; and collective impact; and
- Maintaining a “safety first” approach.

In respect of this “safety first” approach, as part of the forthcoming procurement tenderers will need to:

- possess appropriate accreditation as an Inspection Body to ISO/IEC 17020 Type A, or equivalent;
- be able to demonstrate a high safety performance level; and
- complete a Tender Safety Assessment (TSA) questionnaire, to demonstrate that they will have the appropriate processes and procedures that the supplier will use going forward to ensure safe working, especially whilst working at client nuclear sites.

To facilitate market engagement the CTM portal will be used to share with, and receive from, interested parties information, which may include:

- background supporting information, such as; TSA; policy documents, strategy documents etc, to allow potential new suppliers to familiarise themselves with the wider aspects of working in the nuclear industry;
- the proposed procurement specifications, terms and conditions, timescales, social value requirements etc with an opportunity for suppliers to provide feedback using the CTM portal on whether the proposals are attractive and/or feasible;
- details, including dates, of potential market engagement events, which

may include Webinars, in person suppliers days, structured discussions pre-arranged via CTM portal, etc as deemed appropriate given the feedback received.

The messaging facility within CTM will be used to correspond with parties interested in participating in market engagement activity. Parties who are interested in participating further should therefore access the CTM portal referred to in section I.3) Communication above, click on 'current tender opportunities', find in the list the title of this notice and then login or complete the online CTM portal registration. Accessing the opportunity in this way will allow the messages, which will contain the further information, to be sent and received across the CTM portal.

In addition to the potential market engagement activity outlined above the NDA have engaged the services of RocSearch to conduct a market research exercise to better understand current and future trends within the marketplace. This independent research will require RocSearch to make contact with the supply chain to request information. The output from this independent research will be used to ensure that the identified market trends and our requirements are aligned.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The requirements are not being further sub divided as the service provider will be required to identify and allocate resource across multiple-disciplines; manage performance of the resource; provide management information. Further dividing the requirements into lots would lead to multi-discipline assignments having split responsibilities and general contract management inefficiencies.

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

12 September 2022

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

In respect of the requirements not being further sub divided into lots this is justified as the service provider will be required to:

- identify and allocate resource across multiple-discipline assignments at any one time;
- manage the performance of the resource; and
- provide management information to report on assignment progress.

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