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Planning

190_23 Provision of Fixed Price Energy

ESPO

F01: Prior information notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03d780

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Energy Procurement Team

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.espo.org/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Local Authority Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

190_23 Provision of Fixed Price Energy

Reference number

190_23

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 09000000 - Petroleum products, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice where the tender documentation is not yet available. However, interest in this opportunity (Expressions of interest) can still be registered, via: <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>.

Provision of mains electricity and gas to non-domestic customers on a fixed price, fixed term basis.

Lot 1 - Provision of Fixed Price Mains Electricity

Lot 2 - Provision of Fixed Price Mains Gas

ESPO may undertake a supplier engagement exercise as part of this tender process. This is likely to take the form of the issue of a short request for information document, for completion by the supplier, followed by a Teams meeting between ESPO and individual suppliers. The aim of this engagement is to inform the specification, ensuring it is fair and reflects what the market is able to deliver. If you would like to take part in this supplier engagement exercise, please express an interest in the tender on the EastMidsTenders Portal (<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>) and send a message via the messaging facility stating your willingness to take part. To enable adherence to timescales, please express your interest in taking part in the supplier engagement exercise no later than 5.00 pm on Friday 07 July 2023.

ESPO will contact individual suppliers after that date to arrange a mutually acceptable

time for the engagement meeting.

The duration of the framework agreement is currently expected to be for 2 years, with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years (24 months). The total estimated value stated includes the option period.

To express an interest:

(a) Go to <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>; (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '190_23' (via "View Opportunities" from the 'EastMidsTenders' Portal); d) Express an interest.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Provision of Fixed Price Mains Electricity

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09310000 - Electricity

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A multi-supplier framework agreement for the provision of mains electricity supplies on a fixed price, fixed term basis, with ESPO acting as an intermediary on behalf of public sector organisations within England, Wales and Scotland.

II.2.14) Additional information

Suppliers must hold, and maintain for the duration of the framework agreement, an Electricity Supply Licence granted by OFGEM.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Provision of Fixed Price Mains Gas

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09121200 - Mains gas

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A multi-supplier framework agreement for the provision of mains gas supplies on a fixed price, fixed term basis, with ESPO acting as an intermediary public sector organisations within England, Wales and Scotland.

II.2.14) Additional information

Suppliers must hold, and maintain for the duration of the framework agreement, a Gas Supply Licence granted by OFGEM.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2023

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

As a Central Purchasing Body as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Framework Agreement is open for use by Public Bodies (defined at <https://www.espo.org/amfile/file/download/file/9608/>) that also fall into one of the following classifications of user throughout all administrative regions of the UK: Local Authorities; Educational Establishments (including Academies); Central Government Departments and Agencies; Police, Fire & Rescue and Coastguard Emergency Services; NHS and HSC Bodies, including Ambulance Services; Registered Charities; Registered Social Landlords; The Corporate Office of the House of Lords, The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons; or any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament. Details of the classification of end user establishments and geographical areas are available at: <https://www.espo.org/legal>.

ESPO has established a commercial trading company, ESPO Trading Limited, whose target clients are third sector organisations such as national and local charities, public sector mutual organisations and other organisations involved in the delivery of services to or for the public sector. The successful Supplier may be asked to enter into an additional separate framework agreement (the Second Framework) with ESPO Trading Limited on materially similar terms to that found in the tender pack to be entered into by ESPO itself.

Any Second Framework agreement will be a purely commercial agreement and will, for the avoidance of doubt, not be governed by the Public Contract Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. ESPO Trading Limited may enter into the second framework agreement with the successful supplier and make it available to third sector clients who themselves are not required to follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. Accordingly, this is provided for bidders information only.