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Tender

CAT-23-007 SOFT DRINKS AND WATER TO THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY- 5403318

the Education Authority

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

the Education Authority

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CAT-23-007 SOFT DRINKS AND WATER TO THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY- 5403318

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15982000 - Soft drinks

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Education Authority invites tenders for the Supply of Soft Drinks and Water products for 4 years from the Commencement Date (anticipated to be 1st October 2024) with options to extend for a further period of 24 months with a maximum of two extension points (giving a total potential Contract Period of 6 years). This will involve potential supply and delivery to all schools across NI.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £15,750,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15981100 - Still mineral water
- 15981400 - Flavoured mineral waters
- 15982200 - Chocolate milk

- 15320000 - Fruit and vegetable juices
- 15321000 - Fruit juices
- 15321800 - Concentrated juices
- 15981000 - Mineral water
- 15860000 - Coffee, tea and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative Criteria / Weighting: 20

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative / Weighting: 80

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £15,750,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There will be a continuing need for supply of soft drinks and water following expiry of this contract.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There will be two optional extension periods of up to 12 months each.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

“The Client cannot guarantee any particular level of business within the Contract. Any information on previous volumes or value of business are for guidance only and no guarantee is given as to the exact value under this Contract. Any levels, or aggregate values of goods, referred to are indicative only and shall not be binding on the Client.”. .

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

17 July 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

Tender must be valid until: 15 October 2024

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

17 July 2024

Local time

3:30pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.3) Additional information

This Contract will be established by the Education Authority (“EA”) and is open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows, and at some point, during the life of the Contract these bodies may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This Contract is not intended to replace any current agreements that participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place.

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/schools-plus>. Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA. Catholic Maintained Schools. Independent Schools in NI. Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and,. Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI (both controlled and Catholic Maintained), school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres..

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fe-colleges>. Further Education. Colleges in NI. <https://www.nicie.org/parents/school-finder/>. Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI. <https://www.isc.co.uk/>. schools/northern-ireland/. Independent School in NI. EA Teachers’ and Educational Centres. Council for the Curriculum, Examination and. Assessment NI (CCEA) . Armagh Observatory and Planetarium. Middletown Centre for Autism. Controlled Schools Support Council (CSSC). Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education (NICIE). Tenderers should ensure they read and understand the documentation. found in the CFT documents area of eTendersNI. As a Public Sector Procurement organisation, EA must adhere to the Procurement. Policy Notes, <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/articles/procurement-policy-notes-ppns>. This tender includes requirements relating to. Human Rights, Modern Slavery, Supply Chain Resilience and Social Value and all tenders must meet the requirements detailed in the tender documentation to be compliant. EA reserves the right to: 1. Not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice. 2. To make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition. 3. To award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the supplies covered by this notice.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom