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Tender

WME001 - A Framework Agreement for the Supply of Natural Gas on a Flexible Basis and the Provision of Associated Services

Shropshire Council

West Mercia Energy (A Local Authority Joint Committee of Shropshire Council, Worcestershire County Council, Telford & Wrekin Council and Herefordshire Council)
www.shropshire.gov.uk, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves 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.delta-esourcing.com/tenders>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

WME001 - A Framework Agreement for the Supply of Natural Gas on a Flexible Basis and the Provision of Associated Services

Reference number

WME001

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 09121200 - Mains gas

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

WME intends to create a new four year single supplier framework for the provision of gas supplies, with WME acting as intermediary to buy the gas on the wholesale market. WME provides a fully managed service including validation and payment of bills on behalf of customers. In addition, WME also provides a procurement only service.

WME will impose on economic operators requirements aimed at protecting the confidential nature of information made available throughout the procurement procedure (as permitted by Regulation 21(3)), and before receiving that information economic operators will be required to complete and return a confidentiality agreement, which will be available once economic operators have expressed an interest in the tender opportunity, along with a copy of their current gas supply licence.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09123000 - Natural gas

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The organisation is operated under the authority of a Joint Committee formed under the Local Government Act 1972, the Member Authorities being Shropshire Council, Herefordshire Council, Worcestershire County Council and Telford & Wrekin Council. A Joint Agreement between those Member Authorities determines the governance arrangements. The Joint Committee is the elected Member body responsible for the discharge of the functions of the Member Authorities.

The objectives of the West Mercia Energy Joint Committee (WME) is to maintain effective, efficient and economic arrangements for the purchase and supply of energy at the request of and to the satisfaction of the Member Authorities and to other public bodies, non-profit making and charitable organisations, education providers, including Academies, and private sector organisations delivering public services on behalf of public bodies and such other organisations which may be approved by the Joint Committee (including approval via the Annual Business Plan) where it is permitted by law and is to benefit of Member Authorities to do so.

In accordance with the above stated aims and objectives, WME are seeking to award a contract framework arrangement for the supply and delivery of gas and ancillary services to the customers of West Mercia Energy in its constituent authorities' areas of Shropshire, Herefordshire, Telford & Wrekin, and Worcestershire, together with other customers of West Mercia Energy (current and potential), in general as further identified at the following websites but also to include any organisation within the description in the paragraph above not so identified:

<https://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council>

<https://get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/?SelectedTab=Establishments&SearchType=Location>

<https://www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police/>

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/>

[http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs.](http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs)

<https://www.nationalfirechiefs.org.uk/Fire-and-Rescue-Services>

<http://www.scot.nhs.uk/organisations/>

<http://www.scottishambulance.com/Theservice/Default.aspx>

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/nhswalesaboutus/structure>

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/>

<http://www.urbantransportgroup.org/about-us>

NHS England » NHS provider directory

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-registered-providers-of-social-housing>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/maritime-and-coastguard-agency>

www.charitycommissionni.org.uk/charity-search?q=&p=2

<http://apps.charitycommission.gov.uk/Showcharity/RegisterOfCharities/registerhomepage.aspx>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

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

Start date

1 October 2024

End date

31 March 2030

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

4 years

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

The supplier must at all times hold a valid Gas Supply Licence granted by OFGEM, and any other qualification as required by legislation throughout the duration of the framework

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

This Framework Agreement requires gas to be purchased in advance of the actual supply date in order to deliver a competitive price hedged over an 18 month period prior to usage. The Supply Period for gas purchased through this Framework Agreement will be 4 years, with supply start date being 1st April 2026 and supply end date of 31st March 2030

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: [2024/S 000-005703](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

26 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

26 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Shrewsbury

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 4 years

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Shrewsbury:-Mains-gas./23S2779XFU>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/23S2779XFU>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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