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Planning

92_25 Liquified Petroleum Gas and Other Liquified Fuels

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

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Scope

Reference

92_25

Description

This is for a Preliminary market engagement (PME) where the tender documentation is not yet available. However, interest (Expressions of interest) can still be registered (see below for details on how to complete, and please also refer to the Engagement Section for further details on this).

ESPO are conducting a scoping exercise with the intention of establishing a multi-supplier framework with national coverage for the supply of Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) and other liquified gas fuels, in both bulk and cylinder form.

To express an interest:

(a) Go to <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>; (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '92_25' (via "View Opportunities" from the

EastMidsTenders Portal); d) Express an interest.

Please access the Messages area/section of the eProcurement Portal (ProContract / EastMidsTenders - Messages can be accessed via the Activity dashboard once an Expression of interest has been completed) for any further communications on this preliminary market engagement, including the RFI documentation.

For further details on the Procurement Act, including registration on the Central Digital Platform, this can be found as follows:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/information-and-guidance-for-suppliers>

Or otherwise, please refer to the ESPO Website as follows:

<https://www.espo.org/the-procurement-act-2023>

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 22 October 2025 to 21 October 2027
- Possible extension to 21 October 2029
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 09100000 - Fuels

- 24111600 - Hydrogen

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

16 May 2025

Engagement process description

ESPO is seeking to engage with providers of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) as part of this preliminary market engagement exercise to help shape its procurement strategy.

A Request for Information (RFI) document is available on the eProcurement Portal (ProContract, see also details below on Expressing an interest). Suppliers wishing to participate must first register interest (Expression of interest) in the opportunity, after which you will have access to the Messages area on the eProcurement Portal, where the RFI is found (please refer to the Public Message that captures instructions on completing the RFI). The submission deadline for the RFI is 16th May at 12.00pm (noon).

Following review of completed RFIs, ESPO may undertake virtual 1-2-1 preliminary market engagement sessions with suppliers. ESPO will be seeking further information on points raised within the Suppliers RFI responses within these meetings.

For the purposes of this Preliminary market engagement (PME), please express your interest as follows:

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In the case of any questions or clarifications relating to this PME, these should also be submitted to ESPO as a Message on the eProcurement Portal (again once an Expression of interest has been completed).

Economic operators should note that this is a preliminary market engagement exercise (and NOT a competitive tender process at this stage). The participation of an economic operator in this preliminary market engagement will not constitute any contractual agreement between the respondent and the Contracting Authority/Client. An economic operator's participation, or lack of participation, in this preliminary market engagement shall not impact the ability of the economic operator to participate in any resulting tender exercise. Economic operators should note that any interest indicated does not constitute a commitment to participate in any future tendering exercise.

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

6 June 2025

Contracting authority

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

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