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SSE plc

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Call for competition

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## **Section I: Contracting entity**

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

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Main address

<https://www.sse.com/>

Buyer's address

<https://sse.app.jaggaer.com/web/index.html>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://sse.app.jaggaer.com/web/index.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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**I.6) Main activity**

Electricity

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

N/A

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79512000 - Call centre

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

SSEN Distribution requires a number of agents to answer inbound Emergency Calls and provide a significant number of additional agent where there are extreme weather conditions or similar emergency situation.

Problem statement: SSEN Distribution wants to provide the highest level of customer service at all times, but

we are aware that during times of increased power outages as a result of unplanned faults, dirty days and forecasted storms, we require additional resource to provide the same high level of service during BAU days.

SSEN Distribution recognises the extra support customers require during storm events, therefore having an effective way to quickly increase call taking capacity in the event of an unplanned fault or confidently resource for a forecasted storm and is thus considering an outsourcing solution, in addition to our internal storm helper

workforce.

Requirement:

- Provision of trained resource to the required capacity to support peak call volumes when CCC capacity is exceeded (25-35 days per year).

o Note: Fault scenarios are unplanned therefore an 'on demand' type model is preferred.

o Note: Capacity modelling suggests support of up to 45 additional call takers would be required for major

fault scenarios, increasing to >200 in the event of significant storms such as Storm Ciara (Feb 2020).

- Support follow up activities post event such as providing customer progress updates, telephony support to Priority Service Register (PSR) customers, completing final call backs and responding to complaints. Residual activities can continue for a number of days following the onset of a weather event.

Outcomes: Maintenance of SSEN customer service standards during fault and storm scenarios, preserving performance against key performance metrics - average speed of answer (ASA), abandon rate and Broad Measure of Customer Satisfaction (BMCS). This will in turn manage the safety risk associated with delays in taking calls related to reports of damage and other safety issues. KPIs and SLAs to be discussed.

If you are interested in bidding for this contract or require further information please email your Expression of Interest to Paul Midgley at: [paul.midgley@sse.com](mailto:paul.midgley@sse.com) no later than 16:00hrs 22nd July 2024.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **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

Condition of participation & required to be invited to bid.

1. The Supplier operation must be UK & Ireland based and not based offshore.
2. Ability to provide on demand additional agents at short notice
3. Agents must be fluent in spoken & written English and have a good level of comprehension.
4. Either already be registered on the Jagger eSourcing portal or be willing to register on the portal.

Further information on the Jagger portal can be found at the following address:

<https://sse.app.jaggaer.com/web/index.html>

If you meet the above conditions and wish to be invited to bid for this contract please email your expression of interest to Paul Midgley Senior Category Manager at:

[paul.midgley@sse.com](mailto:paul.midgley@sse.com)

Expression of Interest & Applications to be invited to bid must be received not later than 16:00hrs Monday 22nd July 2024.

#### **III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

For further details and to submit your expression of interest please email Paul Midgley at: [paul.midgley@sse.com](mailto:paul.midgley@sse.com) no later than 16:00hrs Monday 22nd July 2024.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

#### **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 8 years:

This will be a 4 year term which will be reviewed annually.

#### **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.2.2) Time limit for the receipt of applications for an invitation to tender or to negotiate**

Date

22 July 2024

Local time

4:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures**

30 September 2024

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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**

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The full scope of service will be provided upon request please email your request to Paul Midgley at: [paul.midgley@sse.com](mailto:paul.midgley@sse.com)

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

SSE Service PLc

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom