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Tender

Corporate Power Purchase Agreement

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

Reading

RG18DB

Contact

Thames Water

Email

procurement.supportcentre@thameswater.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ11 - Berkshire

Companies House

02366661

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.thameswater.co.uk>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://www.thameswater.co.uk/about-us/our-suppliers/procurement>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<http://thameswater.smartsourceportal.com>

I.6) Main activity

Water

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Corporate Power Purchase Agreement

Reference number

TC2160

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 09310000 - Electricity

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of Electricity through Corporate Power Purchase Agreements

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09100000 - Fuels
- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 31121310 - Windmills
- 31121320 - Wind turbines
- 31121340 - Wind farm
- 31122000 - Generator units

- 31682000 - Electricity supplies
- 45251160 - Wind-power installation works
- 45315300 - Electricity supply installations
- 65400000 - Other sources of energy supplies and distribution

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales
- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

All of the UK, excluding Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Thames Water Utilities Limited are looking to diversify its electricity portfolio through corporate Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs). The objective is to secure long-term price certainty while supporting decarbonisation targets through a competitive tender process.

Thames Water seeks to sign a long-term physical PPA with a wind or solar PV power generator. The primary target is to procure 100-150 GWh per annum of renewable energy through this tender, with the possibility of increasing the volume to 200 GWh per annum if commercially compelling offer(s) are received. Each contract should be a minimum of 20 GWh and a maximum of 150 GWh per annum. Thames Water is open to both newbuild

and operational projects, provided that newbuild projects have, or will obtain, all necessary permits and consents. The company aims to start procuring volumes as soon as possible, preferring start dates within the next 18 months, but will consider projects with Commercial Operation Dates (CODs) before April 2026.

Thames Water seeks long-term price stability for its power supply and prefers a 5-year contract, although terms ranging 3 to 10 years will be considered.

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: £200,000,000

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 6

Maximum number: 8

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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

There are no requirements relating to professional activity

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.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As detailed in PQQ

III.1.6) Deposits and guarantees required

Bonds and/or parent company guarantees of performance and financial standing may be required

III.1.7) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

Specified in Invitation to Negotiate Document

III.1.8) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

Consortia may be required to form a legal entity prior to award

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 several operators

IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated

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 receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

18 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

All suppliers who wish to respond to this contract notice must request a pre-qualification questionnaire (PQQ) by using the web link in Section I.3 (www.thameswater.co.uk/procurement).

From your response to the link in Section I.3 or above, Thames Water's Procurement Support Centre will send you an email providing login details for our eSourcing system (i.e. IASTA

Smartsource). To complete the PQQ you will need to login to IASTA Smartsource.

If the project requires it, you will receive an additional and separate survey to complete for Data Protection.

Note - The client may be Thames Water Utilities Limited or another company within the Kemble Water group structure

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Thames Water Utilities Limited

Reading

RG1 8DB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Thames Water Utilities Limited will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016 No 274) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).