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Tender

## **MET Accutrace Fuel Analysers**

H M Revenue & Customs

F02: Contract notice

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

**28 August 2024, 2:00pm**

See the [change notice](#).

### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

H M Revenue & Customs

100 PARLIAMENT STREET

LONDON

SW1A2BQ

#### **Email**

[ben.leath@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:ben.leath@hmrc.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-revenue-customs>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<http://proposals.seller.ariba.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<http://proposals.seller.ariba.com>

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

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<http://proposals.seller.ariba.com>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Other type

Commissioners for HM Revenue & Customs

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

## Direct and Indirect Tax Collection

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

MET Accutrace Fuel Analysers

Reference number

SR19062445772

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38432000 - Analysis apparatus

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

HMRC is responsible for the administration and collection of over £780 billion of revenue every year. One of the key sources of revenue collection for which the organisation is responsible is duty on road fuels, which in 2022 exceeded £24 billion.

HMRC Oils Policy is designed to reduce the level of fraud in the fuels sector by focusing on large-scale criminal and commercial misuse by combining law enforcement action with more control of the sale and distribution of rebated fuels.

This policy is enforced in part by 8 Mobile Enforcement Units (METs) located throughout the UK. These teams are responsible for detecting and deterring oils fraud by, for example, testing the fuel in road vehicles, fuel retail stations and stock tanks.

To test fuel MET use, HMRC has converted vans into laboratory workspaces. These workspaces contain fuel testing equipment ranging from simple chemical reactive tests to Gas Chromatography.

In January 2024 an additional marker was added to rebated fuel. This marker is known under its trade name as Accutrace Plus.

To support HMRC's analysis HMRC capabilities, we are looking for a supplier who can provide an analysis product which can be deployed in a mobile setting (i.e. in the back of a van) and detect and if possible quantify :

- butoxy benzene (butyl phenyl ether) in fuels (primarily diesel and kerosene) marked at a minimum concentration of 9.5 milligram per litre (Accutrace Plus).

A system which can also detect Accutrace S10 (details below) preferably in the same test would be desirable.

- ((3-(sec-butyl)-4-(decyloxy)phenyl)methanetriyl)tribenzene in fuels (primarily diesel and kerosene) marked at a minimum concentration of 2.5 milligram per litre (Accutrace S10).

Duration 3 Years + 2

As part of the evaluation process, it will be necessary to carry out tests on a working version of the analyser to provide assurance of its ability to meet HMRC's performance standards in a mobile setting. Therefore, although a phased approach to the introduction of the analysers may be agreed between the Authority and the successful bidder post award, bidders will need to be able to provide a working example for testing during the evaluation period.

Interested suppliers should note that they will be required to provide a mobile testing unit and all required supporting equipment to HMRC, Carne House, Belfast for testing late August 2024 (according to current tender timescales which may change).

Testing of this unit will form part of the evaluation that will inform the tender award alongside an additional written proposal, cost model and social value response.

The procurement event will go live on 10th July 2024 and close on 14th August 2024.

Please see the Additional Information section for details of how to access the event.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,680,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38430000 - Detection and analysis apparatus

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

His Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) is competing via the Open Procedure with the intention to appoint a single provider for the provision of mobile fuel analysers which can be deployed in a mobile setting.

#### **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: £1,680,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There is an option to extend the contract by a further 2 years, exercisable by HMRC only.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

There is an option to extend the contract by a further 2 years, exercisable by HMRC only.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **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

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## **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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-014596](#)

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

Originally published as:

Date

14 August 2024

Local time

2:00pm

Changed to:

Date

28 August 2024

Local time

2:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

#### **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: 8 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

14 August 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

This requirement will be met by an eSourcing RFP using HMRC SAP Ariba. Please ensure you are registered with HMRC SAP Ariba to gain access to the RfP documentation which will contain full details.

If you are not already registered, the registration link <http://hmrc.sourcing-eu.ariba.com/ad/selfRegistration>

As part of the registration process you will receive an email confirming 'the registration

process is now complete'and provding you with you 'organisations account ID number'.

If an email response from HMRC is not received within one working day of your request, please email [sap.ariba@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:sap.ariba@hmrc.gov.uk) (after first checking your spam in-box confirming when your registration request was first made.

This team can also advise if there is an existing HMRC SAP Ariba account already created for your organisation. As policy, we do not allow for the same supplier to hold multiple Accounts

Once you have obtained your account ID (AN) number, please email [ben.leath@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:ben.leath@hmrc.gov.uk) and [gareth.edwards3@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:gareth.edwards3@hmrc.gov.uk) and copy in [e.procurement@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:e.procurement@hmrc.gov.uk) with your account ID number and the main email linked to your account, you will then receive an email confirming access.

Further information about HMRC's procurement tool SAP Ariba, Suppliers Guide and general information is available on the HMRC website:  
[www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-revenue-customs/about/procurement](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-revenue-customs/about/procurement).

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

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

HM Revenue and Customs

Salford

Country

United Kingdom