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Planning (MARKET ENGAGEMENT) - Provision of Farm Labour Resource to facilitate Carcase Collections

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-ruralaffairs

Buyer's address

https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

(MARKET ENGAGEMENT) - Provision of Farm Labour Resource to facilitate Carcase Collections

Reference number

P-32118

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 77100000 - Agricultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Please note that this is for Market Engagement only.

Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) (the Authority) are seeking to procure a service for the Provision of Farm Labour Resource to facilitate Carcase Collections on an Affected Premises during an Outbreak or other Incident.

The intention of this requirement is to allow the Authority to access the services of farm labour resource and/or specialised equipment to assist in the removal of carcases following a disease outbreak, or other incident, and the resultant cull, such as from Avian Influenza.

The scope of this contract will require the Contractor to provide a flexible number of personnel within 24-48 hours (depending on requirement) to an Affected Premises (AP) to facilitate the collection and loading of carcases into a bulker for disposal. Other services could include but not limited to, Preliminary cleansing and disinfection, directed by an Authority representative, usually to an onsite case officer. The service will also require the provision of plant and equipment where necessary for the collection and loading of carcases into the disposal receptacle. The Authority will provide pressure washers and disinfectant.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 77100000 - Agricultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The route to market for this requirement is not yet confirmed. We are currently at the beginning of the procurement strategy and are engaging with potential suppliers to assist us in developing a tender specification that combines our requirements with market capability and innovation.

To aid the Authority in developing the specification and route to market for the tender, interested parties are invited to review the presentation attached and the options within, and submit feedback to the Authority via email to: <u>contractmanagement@apha.gov.uk</u> by Tuesday 1st August 2023.

Please note that this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is not a call for competition and as such you will need to express your interest in any future tender opportunity once the contract notice is published in Find a Tender and on Contracts Finder.

It should also be noted that this PIN invites individuals and organisations to express an interest in this exercise only, and it is NOT a pre-qualification questionnaire, and is NOT part of any pre-qualification or selection process.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

28 August 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes