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## **Testing of Fire Door-Sets to Verify Compliance with Applicable Standards**

Department for Business and Trade

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

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

Department for Business and Trade

Old Admiralty Building

London

SW1A 2DY

#### **Email**

[commercialbpo@businessandtrade.gov.uk](mailto:commercialbpo@businessandtrade.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-business-and-trade>

**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**

General public services

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Testing of Fire Door-Sets to Verify Compliance with Applicable Standards

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

The Department for Business and Trade (DBT) expects to publish a contract opportunity relating to its requirement for the provision of fire door-sets testing.

DBT are requesting Expressions of Interest ("EOI") pertaining to this requirement. Please email:

[commercialbpo@businessandtrade.gov.uk](mailto:commercialbpo@businessandtrade.gov.uk) by 07th August 2024 in order to register your interest.

At this stage, DBT wishes to understand the size and capability of the supply market. Information that it gathers will be used to refine requirements to ensure they are fit for suppliers to deliver against. Meetings will also be held directly with interested participants at a future date, subject to capacity.

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

Value excluding VAT: £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)**

- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The full specification shall be provided with the tender documents, but it is expected to incorporate the testing of a selection of fire door-sets to verify their fire resistance performance against the designated standards – BS EN 16034 and BS EN 14351-1.

The aims of testing are:

- To perform a series of screen tests on products on the UK market to verify their fire resistance properties as required under Construction Products Regulation (CPR).
- To gather data on resistance to fire tests and build a database to help inform future market engagement.

The test methods to be used for this requirement will follow the relevant normative references set out in the BS EN 13501-2 fire classification and the relevant product standards. These shall include but are not limited to Product Standards: BS EN 16034 /BS EN 14351-1 and Test Standards: BS EN 1363-1/BS EN 1363-3/BS EN 1634-1/BS EN 1634-3. The successful supplier will be expected to provide all required testing of the products as well as provide any staff/subcontractors required for testing to be performed.

It is anticipated that the contract shall be for an initial period of 12 months with the option for the addition of a further 12-month period to accommodate the completion of testing activity. The requirement has an estimated total value of £500,000 excluding VAT and this value includes any available contract option(s).

It should be noted that DBT makes no commitment to procure these services and may decide to not progress this any further following this engagement with the market. DBT reserves the right to change any information contained within the Early Engagement documentation at any time, and Potential Suppliers rely upon any information provided entirely at their own risk.

## Background

The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) is part of The Department for Business and Trade (DBT) and was created in January 2018 to deliver consumer protection and to support business confidence, productivity, and growth. OPSS regulate a wide range of products with a focus on their safety and integrity. OPSS works with local, national, and international regulators, with consumer representatives and with businesses to deliver effective protections and to support compliance. OPSS' mission is to be a trusted product regulator for the UK. This means protecting people and places, enabling business to thrive and empowering consumers to make good choices.

OPSS will be a leader of good regulatory practice and a champion of local regulation.

OPSS is:

- the national regulator for all consumer products, except for vehicles, medicines, and food.
- the national regulator for legal metrology, ensuring weighing and measuring instruments are accurate and reliable.
- the National Regulator for Construction Products (NRCP).

Suppliers are strongly encouraged to read the text at the following link to gain a full understanding of the role of the enforcement services within Government:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-regulation-enforcement-services>

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

21 August 2024

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## **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