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Award

Supply and Delivery of Prepared Sandwiches and Rolls to the NI Education Authority School Meals Kitchens for the period ending 31 December 2022.

Education Authority NI

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-022070

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-035ac1

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Education Authority NI

3 Charlemont Place, The Mall

ARMAGH

BT61 9AX

Email

catering.procure@eani.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Supply and Delivery of Prepared Sandwiches and Rolls to the NI Education Authority School Meals Kitchens for the period ending 31 December 2022.

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15811511 - Prepared sandwiches

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this VEAT notice is to inform and provide prior notice to the market that EANI intends to award a Framework for the Supply and Delivery of Prepared Sandwiches and Rolls to a single supplier for reasons of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with. Following publication of this VEAT Notice, the Authority will observe a 10 day standstill which will conclude at midnight on 21 August 2022. The requirement to let this Framework

Agreement has arisen due to an unforeseen difficulty in recruiting catering staff for EANI kitchens in time for the new school year. EANI catering service has experienced a significant reduction in staffing resources at extremely short notice and recruitment problems within the catering service has meant school kitchen service provision will need to be enhanced by an external provider of sandwiches and associated items to allow EANI to meet its statutory obligation to provide meal service to students. This contract will allow for the supply and delivery of sandwiches and associated items to school kitchens until December 2022. EANI intends to run a new tender process and it is anticipated that a replacement will commence in January 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £380,338

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland
- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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a replacement will commence in January 2023.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2.14) Additional information

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 August 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Early Days Food Limited

Unit 17 Milltown Industrial Estate, Greenan Road, Warrenpoint, Co Down

NEWRY

BT34 3FN

Email

catering.procure@eani.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

<https://www.earlydaysfoods.com>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £380,338

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK currently UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures

ARMAGH

Country

United Kingdom