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Planning

Pre-Market Engagement: Wide Area Network (WAN) Solution for WMCA

West Midlands Combined Authority

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ebbe

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

West Midlands Combined Authority

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BIRMINGHAM

B193SD

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKG31 - Birmingham

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wmca.org.uk/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pre-Market Engagement: Wide Area Network (WAN) Solution for WMCA

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72720000 - Wide area network services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

WMCA is currently undertaking a review of its WAN solution. Through conducting this Market Engagement, WMCA is seeking to gain a greater understanding of the WAN solutions available in the market and the possible technological developments that may have taken place over recent years.

WMCA plan to use the information gathered from this exercise to inform and help develop its specification of requirements and procurement strategy before approaching the market for a full procurement exercise later in the year.

The information provided as part of this Pre-Market Engagement will be purely used to aid us in shaping our tender documentation and requirements, it will not be evaluated in any way.

The deadline to respond is Monday 14th August at Midday. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Further key detail around expressing an interest in this exercise are listed below: Portal Website: <https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>

Project Title: WAN Solution: Pre-Market Engagement

Bravo Solution Project Reference: Project_737

Please Note that suppliers should not contact officers of the WMCA directly regarding this opportunity, all questions should be submitted through the Bravo Portal.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32430000 - Wide area network

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 November 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