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Contract

ID 5177126 - DoJ - NIPS - Supply and Delivery of Fresh and Prepared Fruit and Vegetables

The Northern Ireland Prison Service

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-022567

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-043b11

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Northern Ireland Prison Service

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BELFAST

BT3 9ED

Email

Justice.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/topics/prisons>

Buyer's address

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/procurement>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 5177126 - DoJ - NIPS - Supply and Delivery of Fresh and Prepared Fruit and Vegetables

Reference number

ID 5177126

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15300000 - Fruit, vegetables and related products

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Northern Ireland Prison Service (NIPS) (the Buyer) is an Executive agency of and

operates under the control of the Department of Justice for Northern Ireland (DOJ) and is responsible for the management of His Majesty's Prisons in Northern Ireland. It is governed by the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 and the Prison and Young Offenders Rules (Northern Ireland) 1995. The Buyer requires a Supplier(s) to supply and deliver fresh and prepared fruit and vegetables. The requirement has been split into two lots. Lot 1 – Maghaberry Prison and Hydebank Wood College and Women's Prison and Lot 2 - Magilligan Prison. Tenderers may bid for one or both Lots providing they have the capacity to deliver the requirement as stated. The Supplier must provide all items listed within the Lot. The contract will be for a period of three (3) years followed by two optional extension periods of twelve (12) months each.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 – Maghaberry Prison and Hydebank Wood College and Women's Prison

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15300000 - Fruit, vegetables and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Northern Ireland Prison Service (NIPS) (the Buyer) is an Executive agency of and operates under the control of the Department of Justice for Northern Ireland (DOJ) and is responsible for the management of His Majesty's Prisons in Northern Ireland. It is governed by the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 and the Prison and Young Offenders Rules (Northern Ireland) 1995. The Buyer requires a Supplier(s) to supply and deliver

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 25

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative / Weighting: 75

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 options to extend for periods of 12 months each.

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Magilligan Prison

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15300000 - Fruit, vegetables and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1 – Maghaberry Prison and Hydebank Wood College and Women's Prison

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Information withheld for security reasons

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,300,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,300,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2 - Magilligan Prison

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £700,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £700,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that information relating to contractors engaged by the Northern Ireland Department of Justice, and associated bodies, is not published in any publicly accessible forum or publication. This is to protect such contractors, whose security and safety could be threatened by dissident terrorist organisations still active in Northern Ireland if their details became known. This is consistent with Regulation 50(6)(a)... . The contract values listed are broad estimates only and include additional quantum for unforeseen demand and to future proof for additional potential. There is no guarantee of any level of business under this contract. The estimates are not deemed to be conditions of contract nor a guarantee of minimum demand or uptake. No compensation will be payable to a contractor should the actual demand be less than that stated. Contract Monitoring: The successful contractors' performance on this contract will be managed as per specification and regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means. the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to

improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in Construction and Procurement Delivery for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct. and they may be issued with a notice of written warning and notice of unsatisfactory performance and this contract may be terminated. The issue of a notice of written warning and notice of unsatisfactory performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of up to 3 years from the date of issue of the notice.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

N/A

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and incorporated a standstill period (i.e a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.