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Tender

Grid Connection Support to Welsh Government RED

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

Gwasanaethau Caffael Corfforaethol / Corporate Procurement Services, Parc Cathays / Cathays Park

Caerdydd / Cardiff

CF10 3NQ

Email

gerrard.oneill@gov.wales

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKL - Wales

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://gov.wales>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Grid Connection Support to Welsh Government RED

Reference number

C065/2023/2024

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71311300 - Infrastructure works consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Bidders are invited to submit Bids to be awarded the Contract for Grid Connection Support to the Welsh Governments RED. The Contract is for the delivery of the Services as described in the Specification. For information purposes the potential value of the Contract is estimated to be GBP220,000 to GBP240,000 exc. VAT (GBP264,000.00 to GBP288,000 inc VAT).

Welsh Government is carrying out feasibility work on several wind farm projects across Wales. The projects are at feasibility stage and support is required to obtain grid connections and generation licences (or licence exemptions) for each project. In addition, wider grid strategy is required, on an ad hoc basis as the portfolio of projects develops. In October 2022, the Welsh Government announced that they will establish a renewable energy developer for Wales, wholly owned by the Welsh Government. A portfolio of projects is currently being developed by the Welsh Government Renewable Energy Developer (RED) programme team and the programme is expected to transition into the new arms-length company by April 2024.

RED are currently developing five onshore wind projects on the Welsh Government Woodland Estate, and expect this portfolio to grow over the coming years. All five projects plan to secure grid connection offers by the end of 2023. To support the projects' development, the Welsh Government's project team are seeking suitably experienced consultants to support with grid applications, generation licence or licence exemption applications, as well as wider programme-level grid strategy support. The consultant would be working with the RED programme manager and director and the individual RED

project managers.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £240,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32424000 - Network infrastructure
- 71311300 - Infrastructure works consultancy services
- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 09000000 - Petroleum products, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy
- 65400000 - Other sources of energy supplies and distribution
- 71314000 - Energy and related services
- 71314200 - Energy-management services
- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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E-Tender Information:

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

- The first person from your Organisation to use the Platform will be required to register on behalf of the Organisation.
- Registration involves accepting a User Agreement, and providing basic information about your Organisation and about the User performing the Registration.
- The User who performs the Registration becomes the Super User for the Organisation.
- On registering on the Platform the Super User will select a Username and will receive a password.
- The Password will be sent by e-mail to the email address that was specified in the User Details section of the Registration page.
- In order to log-in to the Platform please enter your Username and Password.
- Note: If you forget your Password then visit the homepage and click “Forgot your password?”
- Registration should only be performed once for each Organisation.
- If you think that someone in your Organisation may have already registered on this Platform then you must not register again.
- Please contact the person who Registered (i.e. the Super User) in order to arrange access to the Platform.
- Contact the Helpdesk immediately if you are unable to contact the Super User (for example if they have left your Organisation).
- Note: If your Organisation is already registered on the Platform then you must not make any additional registration. Please contact the Helpdesk to gain access to the Platform.
- Tenders must be uploaded to the BravoSolution portal by 2pm

How To Find The ITT:

- Once logged in you must click on ‘ITT’s Open to all Suppliers’
- The e-tender references for this contract are: itt_104460.
- Click on the title to access summary details of the contract. If you are still interested in submitting a tender, click the ‘Express an Interest button’. This will move the ITT from the ‘Open to all Suppliers’ area to the ‘My ITT’s’ on the home page.

- You will then see the full details of the ITT in the qualification and technical envelopes along with any relevant documents in the 'Attachments' area.

- Should you have any questions on the ITT, please use the 'Messages' area to contact the buyer directly – Please do not contact the named person at the top of this notice.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £240,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

14 September 2023

Local time

2:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

15 September 2023

Local time

10:00am

Place

Welsh Government Secure Laptop

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Procurement Manager

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=133519

Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Community Benefits in support of the authority's economic and social objectives. Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations. The Community Benefits included in this contract are:

Community Benefits in a procurement context is about ensuring that wider social and economic issues are taken into account when tendering contracts, to maximise the investment as widely as possible. The Client is committed to delivering community benefits throughout Wales via its sourcing activity.

As per section 19. of the Specification Community Benefits will be a non-Core requirement and will not form part of the evaluation criteria. However, submission of a non-Core Community Benefits proposal will be a condition of a compliant bid.

The successful Contractors will be required to implement the Community Benefits proposals once agreed with the Client.

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The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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