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## **191\_24 Electricity (Half Hourly Metered, Non-Half Hourly and Unmetered Supply)**

ESPO

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02eacd

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

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

ESPO

Barnsdale Way, Grove Park, Enderby

Leicester

LE19 1ES

#### **Contact**

Energy Procurement Team

#### **Email**

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#### **Telephone**

+44 1162657928

## **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKF21 - Leicester

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.espo.org/>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

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

[www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Local Authority Services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

191\_24 Electricity (Half Hourly Metered, Non-Half Hourly and Unmetered Supply)

Reference number

191\_24

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 09310000 - Electricity

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

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To create a new four-year single supplier Framework for the provision of Electricity supplies, with ESPO acting as an intermediary to buy in the wholesale market on behalf of central government, local authorities, public and third sector organisations within England, Wales and Scotland.

ESPO may impose on economic operators requirements aimed at protecting the confidential nature of information made available throughout the procurement procedure (as permitted by Regulation 21(3)) and, before receiving that information, economic operators may be required to complete and return a Confidentiality Agreement, which will be available if required by ESPO once economic operators have expressed an interest in the tender opportunity.

To express an interest: (a) Go to [www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org), (b) Register (c) Search for tender opportunity '191\_24', (d) Express an interest.

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

Value excluding VAT: £576,000,000

## **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 09310000 - Electricity

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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ESPO has established a commercial trading company, ESPO Trading Limited, whose target clients are third sector organisations such as national and local charities, public sector mutual organisations and other organisations involved in the delivery of services to or for the public sector. The successful Supplier may be asked to enter into an additional separate framework agreement (the Second Framework) with ESPO Trading Limited on materially similar terms to that found in the tender pack to be entered into by ESPO itself.

Any Second Framework agreement will be a purely commercial agreement and will, for the avoidance of doubt, not be governed by the Public Contract Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. ESPO Trading Limited may enter into the second framework agreement with the successful supplier and make it available to third sector clients who

themselves are not required to follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. Accordingly, this is provided for bidders' information only.

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### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £576,000,000

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

Start date

1 October 2024

End date

30 September 2028

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

1 February 2022

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## **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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

The minimum financial requirement for the purposes of the current tender exercise is stated in the procurement documents.

This framework will operate on-going contract monitoring procedures following award, to ensure financial stability requirements are maintained.

Credit rating checks will be carried out on a regular basis, using the credit rating agency, Creditsafe Business Solutions Limited.

Any changes will be assessed (compared with a baseline credit rating score obtained at contract award stage) and significant changes or sustained degradation will be investigated.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

As a Central Purchasing Body as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Framework Agreement is open for use by Public Bodies (defined at <https://www.espo.org/amfile/file/download/file/9608/>) that also fall into one of the following classifications of user throughout all administrative regions of the UK: Local Authorities; Educational Establishments (including Academies); Central Government Departments and Agencies; Police, Fire & Rescue and Coastguard Emergency Services; NHS and HSC Bodies, including Ambulance Services; Registered Charities; Registered Social Landlords; The Corporate Office of the House of Lords, The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons; or any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament. Details of the classification of end user establishments and geographical areas are available at: <https://www.espo.org/legal>

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Information on deadlines(s) for review procedures can be found in Part 3, Chapter 6 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.