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Award

Commercial Catering and Food Preparation Equipment

the Education Authority

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

the Education Authority

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region 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

Commercial Catering and Food Preparation Equipment

Reference number

CAT-19-014

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 39314000 - Industrial kitchen equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Supply and delivery of Commercial Catering, Food Preparation Equipment to individual educational establishments within the Northern Ireland for the Framework period.

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: £1,762,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 39711200 - Food processors
- 39312100 - Meat slicers
- 39711210 - Food blenders
- 39711330 - Electric toasters
- 39315000 - Restaurant equipment
- 39312200 - Canteen equipment
- 39310000 - Catering equipment
- 39711211 - Food mixers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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 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:

Modification to the current framework is necessary to ensuring ongoing service provision and to facilitate the procurement of additional requirements until the commencement of a new arrangement is in place.

These requirements have become necessary and are permitted by Regulation 72(1)(c) of The Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Namely, the following conditions have been fulfilled:

(i) the need for modification has been brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen;

The Education Authority set up CAT-23-001 Dynamic Purchasing System for Catering Equipment which went live in May 23 with the original intention of running further competitions from the DPS. Following a strategic review, EA has opted instead to put in place a Framework Agreement, covering Food Preparation Equipment, Food Transport and Food Holding Equipment, the tender for which CAT-24-001 'Equipment for food holding, preparation and transport' closed on 15 August 2024.

The extension of this arrangement for a period of two months will ensure service continuity for the Catering Service and will also help align the end dates of the above mentioned expiring contracts with the estimated start date of the new arrangement, currently estimated to be 1 November 2024.

(ii) the modification does not alter the overall nature of the contract;

The nature of the Framework Agreement is not being amended.

(iii) any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract or framework agreement.

The short extension does not include a modification of the Framework value. The 2 month

extension to time is well within the 50% permissible compared to the original term of 39 months.

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/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 August 2024

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

Stephens Catering Equipment Co Ltd

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

<https://www.stephenscateringequipment.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: £1,762,000

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Massey Catering Equipment Ltd

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- UKN - Northern Ireland

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- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

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Yes

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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

Belfast

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United Kingdom