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#### **Planning**

# Courier, Distribution, Storage and Specialist Solutions

Crown Commercial Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Crown Commercial Service

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Liverpool

**L3 9PP** 

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#### **Telephone**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/ccs

# I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Public procurement

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Courier, Distribution, Storage and Specialist Solutions

Reference number

RM6354

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

75131000 - Government services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority intends to put in place a Pan Government Collaborative Agreement for the provision of Courier, Distribution, Storage and Specialist Solutions to be utilised by Central Government Departments and all other UK Public Sector Bodies, including Local Authorities, Health, Police, Fire and Rescue, Education, Third Sector and Devolved Administrations. It is intended that this commercial agreement will be the recommended vehicle for all Courier, Distribution, Storage and Specialist Solutions required by UK Central Government Departments.

The lotting structure of this framework will be determined as a result of the market engagement.

Further information is included in the Additional Information section VI.3.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

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

- 15991000 Tobacco goods
- 24000000 Chemical products
- 24600000 Explosives
- 24610000 Prepared explosives
- 33141000 Disposable non-chemical medical consumables and haematological consumables
- 33141510 Blood products
- 33141620 Medical kits
- 33141625 Diagnostic kits
- 33600000 Pharmaceutical products
- 33620000 Medicinal products for the blood, blood-forming organs and the cardiovascular system
- 33651000 General anti-infectives for systemic use and vaccines
- 33651600 Vaccines
- 33680000 Pharmaceutical articles
- 33690000 Various medicinal products
- 33698100 Microbiological cultures
- 33954000 Biological evidence collection kits
- 35300000 Weapons, ammunition and associated parts
- 35320000 Firearms
- 39241100 Knives
- 42961400 Dispatch system
- 42965100 Warehouse management system
- 42998000 Pallet-picking system
- 42998100 Pallet-retrieving system
- 43411000 Sorting and screening machines

- 44143000 Pallets
- 44423300 Goods-handling equipment
- 44613300 Standard freight containers
- 44613400 Storage containers
- 44614300 Container storage system
- 45111200 Site preparation and clearance work
- 48311100 Document management system
- 48720000 Bar coding software package
- 48921000 Automation system
- 50117300 Reconditioning services of vehicles
- 50118110 Vehicle towing-away services
- 50118400 Breakdown and recovery services for motor vehicles
- 50190000 Demolition services of vehicles
- 60000000 Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60100000 Road transport services
- 60160000 Mail transport by road
- 60161000 Parcel transport services
- 60200000 Railway transport services
- 60400000 Air transport services
- 60420000 Non-scheduled air transport services
- 60423000 Air-charter services
- 60600000 Water transport services
- 60640000 Shipping operations
- 63000000 Supporting and auxiliary transport services; travel agencies services
- 63100000 Cargo handling and storage services
- 63110000 Cargo handling services

- 63111000 Container handling services
- 63120000 Storage and warehousing services
- 63121000 Storage and retrieval services
- 63121100 Storage services
- 63122000 Warehousing services
- 63521000 Freight transport agency services
- 63522000 Ship brokerage services
- 63523000 Port and forwarding agency services
- 63524000 Transport document preparation services
- 63700000 Support services for land, water and air transport
- 63710000 Support services for land transport
- 63711000 Support services for railway transport
- 64100000 Post and courier services
- 64113000 Postal services related to parcels
- 64120000 Courier services
- 64121000 Multi-modal courier services
- 64121200 Parcel delivery services
- 70122100 Land sale services
- 70123000 Sale of real estate
- 70123100 Sale of residential real estate
- 70123200 Sale of non-residential estate
- 71600000 Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 71630000 Technical inspection and testing services
- 71631000 Technical inspection services
- 71632000 Technical testing services
- 71900000 Laboratory services

- 72225000 System quality assurance assessment and review services
- 75130000 Supporting services for the government
- 79342400 Auction services
- 79342410 Electronic auction services
- 79920000 Packaging and related services
- 79957000 Auction organisation services
- 79991000 Stock-control services
- 85111800 Pathology services
- 85111810 Blood analysis services
- 85111820 Bacteriological analysis services
- 85145000 Services provided by medical laboratories
- 90500000 Refuse and waste related services
- 90511000 Refuse collection services
- 90512000 Refuse transport services
- 90513000 Non-hazardous refuse and waste treatment and disposal services
- 90520000 Radioactive-, toxic-, medical- and hazardous waste services
- 90523100 Weapons and ammunition disposal services
- 90524400 Collection, transport and disposal of hospital waste
- 90900000 Cleaning and sanitation services
- 92512100 Archive destruction services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Courier, Distribution, Storage and Specialist Solutions

#### II.2.14) Additional information

It is the intention that this procurement will be constructed into Lots.

Key service elements will be:

- ? International movements, storage and inbound freight services
- ? Customs clearance
- ? Receipt and quality checking of goods
- ? Kitting and co packing (including automation)
- ? Storage including pick and pack
- ? Transport & distribution

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

24 January 2025

### 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

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.3) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice is to signal an intention to commence market engagement with those within the courier, logistics, and warehousing market.

Crown Commercial Service intends to hold market engagement sessions during February and March 2024 with suppliers interested in potentially bidding for the resulting framework agreement. If you are interested in attending a market engagement session please express your interest by emailing <a href="mailto:cscourierteam@crowncommercial.gov.uk">cscourierteam@crowncommercial.gov.uk</a> by no later than midday on Tuesday 30th January 2024. Further details will be provided to you.

Your email must clearly state: the name of your organisation, and contact details for the individual(s) who will participate in the market engagement. Crown Commercial Service (CCS) will use an eSourcing system for this competition and reserves the right to use an electronic auction. The eSourcing system we will use is <a href="https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk">https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk</a>.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so.

The value in II.1.5 is an indicative value over 4 years.

The date in II.3) is the estimated date of publication, please refer to the CCS website page <a href="https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/upcoming">https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/upcoming</a> for updates and monitor Find A Tender Service for the publication of the contract notice.

The Cyber Essentials scheme is mandatory for Central Government Contracts which involve handling personal information and providing certain ICT products and services. The Government is taking steps to further reduce the levels of cyber security risk in its supply chain through the Cyber Essentials scheme. The scheme defines a set of controls which, when properly implemented, will provide organisations with basic protection from the most prevalent forms of threat coming from the internet.

To participate in this procurement, bidders will be required to demonstrate that they are Cyber Essentials Plus certified for the services under and in connection with the procurement

Please note to demonstrate to the satisfaction of CCS that you meet the Cyber Essentials requirement you will need to provide independent verified evidence of the equivalent and identify where the Cyber Essentials requirements have been met and verification must be

by a technically competent and independent third party. This technically competent and independent third party must be an IASME registered Certification Body.

If you are successful, and the evidence you provide does not meet the requirements of the Contracting Authority, you shall be prohibited from commencing the provision of Deliverables under any Contract until such time as you have evidenced to the satisfaction of CCS that you meet the Cyber Essentials requirement.

Bidders tendering for the storage will be required to hold ISO9001 for services under and in connection with the procurement.

Bidders tendering for the kitting and co packing may be required to hold ISO13485 for services under and in connection with the procurement. This requirement will be determined following further scoping.

The bidder may be awarded a contract but shall not enter into any call off contracts with buyers until they are able to demonstrate to CCS that they have the required certifications in place.

The services that arise from this framework will involve the supplier holding material that has been assigned a protective marking under the Government Security Classifications Scheme (April 2014) of OFFICIAL/SENSITIVE. Bidders will be required to implement their solution in accordance with the Framework Agreement Schedule, "Security Requirement and Plan", to meet Framework Agreement requirements. This will be released at the ITT stage.

A Future Opportunity on contract finder can be found here: <a href="https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/cff245e1-2f9f-4617-9723">https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/cff245e1-2f9f-4617-9723</a>