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**Planning** 

# 83\_25 Supply of Ambient, Chilled, Frozen Foods and Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and Salads

**ESPO** 

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

**ESPO** 

Barnsdale Way, Grove Park, Enderby

**LEICESTER** 

**LE19 1ES** 

#### Contact

Food, Communities and Technology Procurement Team

#### **Email**

tenders@espo.org

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

## Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://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

https://www.eastmidstenders.org/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

# I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Local Authority Services

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

83 25 Supply of Ambient, Chilled, Frozen Foods and Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and Salads

Reference number

83 25

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice where the tender documentation is not yet available. However, interest in this opportunity (Expressions of interest) can still be registered (see below on details of how to complete).

Direct Supply and distribution of Ambient, Chilled, Frozen Foods and Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and Salad products.

The duration of the framework agreement is expected to be for 2 years (24 months), with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years (24 months). The total estimated value stated includes the option period.

To express an interest:

(a) Go to <a href="https://www.eastmidstenders.org/">https://www.eastmidstenders.org/</a>; (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '83\_25' (via "View Opportunities" from the 'EastMidsTenders' Portal); d) Express an interest; e) Once you have expressed an interest RFI documentation can be accessed via the Messages section of the eProcurement Portal (ProContract - please access the Activity dashboard for this).

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £400,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

# II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

## Lot 1 - Supply of Ambient, Chilled and Fresh Foods

Lot No

1

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

- 15100000 Animal products, meat and meat products
- 15200000 Prepared and preserved fish
- 15300000 Fruit, vegetables and related products
- 15400000 Animal or vegetable oils and fats
- 15500000 Dairy products
- 15600000 Grain mill products, starches and starch products
- 15800000 Miscellaneous food products
- 15900000 Beverages, tobacco and related products

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply and delivery of ambient, chilled and fresh foods.

# II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Supply of Frozen Foods

Lot No

2

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

- 15100000 Animal products, meat and meat products
- 15200000 Prepared and preserved fish
- 15300000 Fruit, vegetables and related products
- 15500000 Dairy products
- 15800000 Miscellaneous food products

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply and delivery of frozen foods.

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - Supply of Ambient, Chilled, Fresh and Frozen Foods

Lot No

3

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

- 15100000 Animal products, meat and meat products
- 15200000 Prepared and preserved fish
- 15300000 Fruit, vegetables and related products
- 15400000 Animal or vegetable oils and fats
- 15500000 Dairy products
- 15600000 Grain mill products, starches and starch products
- 15800000 Miscellaneous food products
- 15900000 Beverages, tobacco and related products

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply and delivery of Ambient, Chilled, Fresh and Frozen Foods.

## II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - Supply of Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and Salads

Lot No

4

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

- 15300000 Fruit, vegetables and related products
- 15500000 Dairy products
- 15800000 Miscellaneous food products

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply and delivery of Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and Salads along with additional fresh produce as required by the customer.

# 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

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