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Contract

58_23 Ready Meals

ESPO

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a387

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

ESPO

Barnsdale Way, Grove Park, Enderby

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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

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

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

58_23 Ready Meals

Reference number

58_23

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

ESPO is seeking to renew its framework agreement for the supply and direct delivery of frozen Ready Meals.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Single Portion Ready Meals

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Suppliers under this Lot will be able to supply a wide range of complete single portion main meals and desserts.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality (Method Statements) / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value (Method Statements) / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 24 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.7 includes the option period.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Multi-Portion Meal Components

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of this lot is for multi-portion meal components, including main and side dishes, desserts and sweet and savoury sauces.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality (Method Statements) / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value (Method Statements) / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 24 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.7 includes the option period.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Notice number: [2023/S 000-014366](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1 - Single Portion Ready Meals

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Apetito Limited

Canal Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8RJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Companies House

00233851

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

BFS Group Limited (T/A Bidfood)

814 Leigh Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 4BD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Companies House

00239718

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Food Division LTD

80 Wharfdale Road, Tyseley, Birmingham, B11 2DE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG3 - West Midlands

Companies House

13827839

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £50,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2 - Multi-Portion Meal Components

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Anglia Crown Limited

Unit 1 Gilbert Court, Newcomen Way, Severalls Industrial Park, Colchester, Essex, CO4 9WN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

Companies House

02748422

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £50,000,000

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>.

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.

An eAuction process may be used to award subsequent call off contracts following the reopening of competition among the parties to the Framework Agreement.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Court of Justice

The Strand

LONDON

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.justice.gov.uk/>

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.