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## **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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## **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED

Reading

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#### **Contact**

Thames Water

#### **Email**

[procurement.supportcentre@thameswater.co.uk](mailto:procurement.supportcentre@thameswater.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ11 - Berkshire

**Companies House**

02366661

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.thameswater.co.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://forms.office.com/e/GwjAwGp1Wm>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://thameswater.sharepoint.com/sites/ProcurementSupportCentreBidProcessRepository/FA2164PPE/SitePages/FA2164-PPE-Bidder-Landing-Page.aspx>

**I.6) Main activity**

Water

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Reference number

FA2164

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

- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing

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

Supplies

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

Consolidation of PPE, Workwear, and Health & Safety Consumables

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

Value excluding VAT: £12,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)

Main site or place of performance

Whole of the Thames Water Region

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

Thames Water is seeking to establish a Framework Agreement with a single supplier for the provision of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), everyday workwear, and health & safety consumables. This includes items such as trousers, jackets, shirts, t-shirts, polo shirts, overalls, and various protective gear for head, foot, eye, ear, and hand protection. The aim is to consolidate these categories to enhance commercial value, improve operational efficiencies, and standardise products.

The procurement process will involve a two-stage approach, with the second stage being

an E-Auction to drive additional value. The successful supplier will be expected to ensure on-time and in-full (OTIF) deliveries, provide inventory management solutions, and integrate ordering innovations such as webshops and SAP integrations.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £12,000,000

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

Duration in months

96

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Thames Water envisages that the contract will be awarded for an initial term of 3 years with option to extend annually up to a maximum term of 8 years.

#### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 15

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Any agreement awarded would be for a maximum initial period of 3 years, with options to extend for two further, one year periods.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

As detailed in the PQQ

#### **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.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As detailed in section VI.3 & PQQ.

#### **III.1.6) Deposits and guarantees required**

Bonds and/or parent company guarantees of performance and financial standing may be required

#### **III.1.7) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

Specified in Invitation to Negotiate Document

#### **III.1.8) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

Consortia may be required to form a legal entity prior to award

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

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

As detailed in the ITN

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

#### **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 several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 8

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

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#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

All suppliers who wish to respond to this contract notice must request a pre-qualification questionnaire (PQQ) by using the web link in Section I.3 ([www.thameswater.co.uk/procurement](http://www.thameswater.co.uk/procurement)).

From your response to the link in Section I.3 or above, Thames Water's Procurement Support Centre will send you an email providing login details for our eSourcing system. To complete the PQQ you will need to login to the project SharePoint site.

If the project requires it, you will receive an additional and separate survey to complete for Data Protection.

Note - The client may be Thames Water Utilities Limited or another company within the Kemble Water group structure

Note on Estimated Contract Values:

All values shown are estimates only and have no binding on the total contract value that materialises under the provision of each service.

Any bidder that passes the PQQ pass/fail questions will be taken through to ITN.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Thames Water Utilities Limited

Reading

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Thames Water Utilities Limited will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016 No 274) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).