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## **Cell Assembly Equipment for UKBIC Flexible Industrialisation Line (FIL)**

UK Battery Industrialisation Centre

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/register>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/register>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research and Development

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Cell Assembly Equipment for UKBIC Flexible Industrialisation Line (FIL)

Reference number

DN647637

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

- 31000000 - Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting

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

Supplies

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

The UKBIC Flexible Industrialisation Line is designed to allow staged scale-up of electrode manufacture from laboratory scale through to GWh scale on UKBIC's existing high-volume electrode lines. The project will be phased and in the first phase equipment will be purchased to allow scale-up of electrode processes from the Flexible Industrialisation Line to UKBIC's high-volume electrode lines. This will incorporate mixing process compatible with UKBIC's mainline process and coating and drying equipment which will take batches of slurry and convert them onto anode and cathode foils. Subsequent equipment will incorporate next generation electrode manufacturing processes, so solutions covering both scenarios are encouraged.

This new electrode capability will be supplemented by flexible equipment to Calender and slit the electrode reels allowing them to be converted into cells using the main UKBIC cylindrical and pouch cell assembly lines, or other flexible cell manufacturing equipment that may be installed during a later phase.

Phase one of the project also includes the installation of a Cell Cycling Facility for manufacturing conformance testing of cells manufactured at UKBIC.

Cell cycling equipment for manufacturing conformance testing of battery cells made at UKBIC.

This requirement is split into three lots:

Lot 1 – Cell Cyclers

Lot 2 – Temperature Test Chambers

Lot 3 – Cell Fixturing

Suppliers will be able to bid for individual lots, however bids that offer combined solutions incorporating more than one aspect (lot) of this equipment are encouraged.

Please see Appendix 1 -User requirements specification for the complete requirements.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Cell Cyclers

Lot No

1

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

- 31000000 - Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting
- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)
- 42000000 - Industrial machinery

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Cell cycling equipment to perform product conformance testing of UKBIC's cylindrical and pouch cells manufactured on the volume industrialisation lines. Separate cycler systems for cylindrical and pouch cell testing are envisaged.

### **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: £1,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options are listed in the user requirements specification. The decision on quantity of channels/cyclers will not be made until after the tender responses have been received, so bidders are required to provide costings for multiple solutions.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Temperature Test Chambers

Lot No

2

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

- 31000000 - Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting
- 42000000 - Industrial machinery

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Battery temperature test chambers, rated to EUCAR Hazard Level 6, to maintain constant temperature conditions and provide safe containment in the event of cell failures.

The decision on sizes and quantities of chambers will not be made until after the tender responses have been received, so bidders are required to provide costings for multiple solutions.

### **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: £500,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options are listed in the user requirements specification. The decision on sizes and quantities of chambers will not be made until after the tender responses have been received, so bidders are required to provide costings for multiple solutions.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Cell Fixturing

Lot No

3

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

- 31000000 - Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting
- 42000000 - Industrial machinery

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Cell fixturing and racking systems for industry standard 21700 cylindrical cells and UKBIC 300 x 100 x 4-12 pouch cells, so that users can easily and safely load/unload cells for testing.

The decision on the quantity of each fixture type will not be made until after the tender responses have been received, so bidders are required to provide costings for multiple solutions.

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

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

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The decision on the quantity of each fixture type will not be made until after the tender responses have been received, so bidders are required to provide costings for multiple solutions.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No



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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

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

Date

1 February 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

1 February 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom