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Contract

CT1367 - Heat Network Feasibility Studies Framework Agreement

The City of Edinburgh Council

F03: Contract award notice
Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-035614
Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-047abf
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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The City of Edinburgh Council

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00290

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CT1367 - Heat Network Feasibility Studies Framework Agreement

Reference number

CT1367

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The City of Edinburgh Council is looking to develop a Framework Agreement consisting of heat network feasibility study consultants.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis

- 79314000 - Feasibility study

- 09323000 - District heating

- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The City of Edinburgh Council is looking to develop a Framework Agreement consisting of heat network feasibility study consultants.

The Council have identified 17 prospective heat network zones in Edinburgh. To support the development of heat networks in multiple zones, we wish to commission feasibility studies providing more detailed information on the opportunity in each zone. The core purpose and focus of the studies is to assess whether a potential heat network project is technically feasible and economically viable. The studies produced are not expected to consider the commercial model to be used to deliver the heat network, or to deliver an outline business case.

It is envisioned that the areas subject to feasibility studies would generally be aligned to zone boundaries, however in some cases the Council may specify a study area covering more than one zone, or alternatively part of a zone. As such, we envisage that there will be up to 12 to 15 studies undertaken over the full Framework Agreement period, however this should be treated as indicative only.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted 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: 2024/S 000-020473

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 17

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 17

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 17

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ove Arup & Partners Ltd

8 Fitzroy Street

London

W1T 4BQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

WSP UK Ltd

110 Queen Street, Glasgow

Glasgow

G1 3BX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

AECOM Limited

177 Bothwell Street

Glasgow

G2 7ER

Telephone

+44 7894435024

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £600,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:799847)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House 27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

A tenderer that suffers loss as a result of a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session. Post contract award the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session may (1) award damages provided proceedings are brought within 3 months from the date when the grounds for the bringing of the proceedings first arose (2) be entitled to issue an ineffectiveness order or impose a financial penalty on the Council. A claim for an ineffectiveness order must be made within 30 days of the Contract Award Notice being published in the FTS or within 30 days of the date those who expressed an interest in or otherwise bid for the contract were informed of the conclusion of the contract or in any other case within 6 months from the date on which the contract was entered into.