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Delivery Partner Project LYRA

AWE PLC

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Delivery Partner Project LYRA

II.1.2) Main CPV code

45220000 - Engineering works and construction works

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

This Prior Information Notice ("PIN") seeks to provide additional and/or updated information from the previous version issued by AWE in August 2023.

As stated in the Defence Nuclear Enterprise Command Paper, published by the Ministry of Defence on 25th March 2024, AWE Plc ("AWE") is embarking on a critical transformation of its infrastructure as part of the National Endeavour to support the United Kingdom's nuclear deterrent. We have three major infrastructure programmes:

- Future Materials Campus (FMC) focusing on the required investment to renew AWE's manufacturing and storage capability for nuclear materials and increasing capability for material recovery.
- Future Infrastructure Programme (FIP) focusing on delivering AWE's wider infrastructure needs in relation to new office accommodation; laboratories; testing facilities, site services, and advanced manufacturing facilities.
- Liabilities management Our sites have been operating for a number of decades, and as a result many facilities are reaching the end of their operational life. Liabilities management runs programmes to safely decommission and demolish these legacy facilities and manage the wastes generated.

This opportunity relates to a complex high hazard plant at AWE Burghfield site and is one of the critical facilities to be delivered as part of the FIP programme.

Further information regarding AWE can be found at https://www.awe.co.uk/

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AWE is seeking to contract and work with a Strategic Delivery Partner on a Tier 1 basis with the overarching scope of delivering and managing design, installation and re-kit of several sectors within an existing explosives/hazardous building located on the AWE Burghfield site,

There will be two main packages of work issued under a single framework lot:

- Early works: To deliver the wider facility investment in mechanical, electrical and HVAC systems upgrade. This will include Supply and installation of Mechanical & Electrical Services, Control & Instrumentation, Architectural Fit-out, Specialist Doors, and Process Plant & Equipment. This will occur in the first phase of the contract.
- Main works: Front-end development of Mission Delivery specific activities; Production of Options appraisal, Safety Case Processes, the supply and installation of Mechanical & Electrical Services, Control & Instrumentation and Process Plant & Equipment. This will occur in the second phase of the contract.

The delivery models for both work packages are under review and will be refined as a result of pre-market engagement.

The location of the works is our Burghfield site, which is covered by a Nuclear Site Licence and Explosives Site Licence and various Environmental permits, places strict demands for compliance with these Licences associated with working in such an environment. Each Contractor shall comply with and carry out works in accordance with the Client's Security Requirements. The sites are also a Control of Major Accident Hazards Installation (COMAH) (Lower Tier).

This PIN calls for interested suppliers to indicate and express their interest in participating in a pre-market engagement exercise and Request for Information ("RFI"). Suppliers interested in responding to the PIN, and therefore engaging in pre-market engagement and responding to the RFI, will be required to successfully undergo an AWE security assessment before being able to participate. For the avoidance of doubt, suppliers who do not participate in the initial RFI will still be allowed to take part in subsequent market engagement and procurement activities, subject to meeting AWE's security requirements (as detailed on the Acknowledgement Proforma).

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: <u>2024/S 000-033617</u>

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

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As part of market engagement activities, AWE are planning on providing those with successfully countersigned NDAs to access the following:

- Further information about the LYRA project;
- Invitation and the ability to take part in roundtable discussions to inform the project's sourcing strategy; and
- Respond to our request for information.

If you are interested in taking part in pre-market engagement activities, please email:

lyrascm@awe.co.uk

to request an 'Acknowledgement Proforma', including "LYRA Pre-market engagement" in the title. AWE shall undertake a security assessment against the information suppliers submit in the proforma.

If suppliers successfully meet AWE's security requirements, a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) will be sent to the nominated email address provided in their proforma. The NDA must be signed and returned before further market engagement information is released to the supplier.

Once the NDA is successfully countersigned, the supplier will receive an information pack, containing more detail on Lyra and details of upcoming market engagement activities.

If suppliers successfully meet AWE's security requirements (as detailed on the Acknowledgement Proforma), the RFI will be sent to the nominated email address provided in their proforma. For the avoidance of doubt, suppliers will not be invited to respond to the RFI if, in the sole opinion of AWE, they do not meet the necessary security requirements.

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