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Contract

## **SC22206 - Driver Welfare**

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-036725

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0374c9

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

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

Kent County Council

County Hall

Maidstone

ME14 1XQ

#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

SC22206 - Driver Welfare

Reference number

DN637357

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

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

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

Services

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

The KRF Driver Welfare Plan sets out how the welfare of vehicle occupants caught in prolonged queues will be provided. Whilst the plan is intended to cover all the roads of Kent, the focus, per force, in recent years has been on the regular disruptions to the road networks leading to the Channel Tunnel and Port of Dover. The plan in particular deals with the distribution of food and water supplies to those queues of vehicles.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £204,000 / Highest offer: £350,000 taken into consideration

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

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Historically, locally procured food and water supplies were distributed direct from suppliers to those caught on to the road network. This work was carried out by a combination of teams comprised, variously, of colleagues from HM Coastguard and members of the Kent Voluntary Sector Emergency Group.

After the events of Christmas 2020 where prolonged delays resulted from the border being closed for two days, it was recognised that local response capabilities had been severely overstretched. It was agreed with the Department of Transport that that a new centrally funded procurement and distribution plan was required to respond to events that were triggered by “national events” and where they going to last for longer than 1-2 days.

Currently, under an interim plan, food and water, again procured locally as and when required, is brought to the National Highways depot at Stamford, just off Junction 11 of the M20. From this location supplies are distributed on to the road network using the same volunteer network. A small supply of food is pre-bought and held in the depot to ensure that we can react promptly to events.

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

Cost criterion - Name: Price per quality Point / Weighting: 100

#### **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

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-028583](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

SC22206 – Driver Welfare

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

25 November 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

RE:SILIENT Response Ltd

Chilmark, Salisbury,

SP3 5DU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £204,000

Lowest offer: £204,000 / Highest offer: £350,000 taken into consideration

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Kent County Council

Maidstone

ME141XX

Country

United Kingdom

