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Tender

The Provision of an Adventure Activity Licensing Authority

Health & Safety Executive

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0428cb

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Health & Safety Executive

Redgrave Court, Merton Road

BOOTLE

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD73 - Sefton

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://hse.gov.uk>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse>

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Provision of an Adventure Activity Licensing Authority

Reference number

HSE/T4516

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is the independent regulator of health and safety and is sponsored by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP). HSE is designated as the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority (AALA) in GB.

The Adventure Activities Licensing Authority (AALA) is administered by HSE's Local Authority and Safety Unit (LASU). LASU sits within HSE's Operational Strategy Branch. LASU's Entertainment Leisure, Commercial and Consumer Services Sector team provides the policy lead on health and safety within the adventure activity sector, regardless of whether HSE or the Local Authority is the enforcing authority.

The AALA was created following the Lyme Bay canoeing tragedy in March 1993. The MP for Plymouth Devonport, who represented the parents of those who died, introduced a Private Member's Bill, which became the Activity Centres (Young Persons' Safety) Act 1995. Tourism Quality Services (TQS) was the original AALA, until responsibility was transferred to HSE in 2007 however HSE contracted TQS to continue to operate the service on its behalf. From then TQS were formally known as the Adventure Activities Licensing Service (AALS).

The Adventure Activities Licensing Regulations, created under the 1995 Act, apply to four groups of outdoor activities only: caving, climbing, trekking and water sports. These are defined in the Regulations.

The Contractor, on behalf of the AALA, is under contract to inspect providers of licensable

activities and make a judgement on their suitability to hold a license, in accordance with the legislation. The Contractor will adhere to the requirements of Regulation 6 (a) of the Regulations and only award licenses to applicants who meet the necessary criteria.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,060,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales
- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

HSE intend to enter into an agreement for an initial 3 year period, with the option to extend for a further 2 years, in annual increments.

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

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

HSE intend to enter into an agreement for an initial 3 year period, with the option to extend for a further 2 years, in annual increments.

Any further renewals will be tendered via the application procurement regulations in force at the time this commences.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

Tender documents available via electronic means

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

Date

29 January 2024

Local time

1:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

29 January 2024

Local time

2:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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Country

United Kingdom