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Contract

Invitation to Tender for the Provision of Ballast Water Sampling

Orkney Islands Council (Harbour Authority)

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ca29

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Orkney Islands Council (Harbour Authority)

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM65 - Orkney Islands

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.orkneyharbours.com>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11522

I.6) Main activity

Other activity

General Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Invitation to Tender for the Provision of Ballast Water Sampling

Reference number

OIC/PROC/2072

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 90733000 - Services related to water pollution

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority has a requirement for a suitably qualified and experienced contractor for the provision of ballast water sampling for a 3 year initial period with the option to extend for a further 2 x 12 month periods.

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: £313,091

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90700000 - Environmental services
- 90720000 - Environmental protection
- 90714500 - Environmental quality control services
- 72314000 - Data collection and collation services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM65 - Orkney Islands

Main site or place of performance

Scapa Flow, Orkney

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Authority has a requirement for a suitably qualified and experienced contractor for the provision of ballast water sampling for an initial 3 year period with the option to extend for a further 2 x 12 month periods, subject to the satisfaction of performance by the Authority. The Contract will commence on 1 April 2025.

All sampling must be performed in accordance with the requirements of current legislation, Ballast Water Management Annex 3 - Resolution MEPC.173(58), MGN 432 Amendment 1 and Ballast Water Management Policy for Scapa Flow - Apr 2023. All documentation included within the Appendix Section of the Invitation to Tender documentation.

It should be noted that due to the variable movement of shipping, short notice (minimum of 24 hrs) may be given for a ballast water sampling event. Sampling team will be required to be available 365/24/7. Prospective Tenderers need to take note that transport for members of a sampling team to Orkney is limited and can be disrupted by weather, at short notice.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Project Understanding and Requirements / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Project Methodology and Specific Expertise / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work Practices / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Price - Weighting: 30

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

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: [2024/S 000-041201](#)

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

24 February 2025

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: 0

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

Orcades Marine Management Consultants Ltd.

Unit 3 Warness Park , Hatston Pier Road

Kirkwall

KW15 1ZL

Telephone

+44 7592002687

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM65 - Orkney Islands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £313,091

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Orkney Islands Council reserves the right to cancel the procurement at any stage and not award a Contract. The expenditure, work or effort undertaken by bidders prior to the award of any Contract is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of bidders.

Late tender will not be considered by the Council and all questions are to be submitted via the Questions and Answers section of this contract advertisement on PCS.

An economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or Court of Session.

Tenders should complete the SPD (Scotland) contained within the SPD Module attached to this notice.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kirkwall Sheriff Court

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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