

United Kingdom-Bristol: Socks

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Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: JSC/LCS, JSC/LCS

Postal address: Defence Clothing Team, Cedar 0C, #3028, MOD Abbeywood

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS34 8JH

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: descommodities-dc-comrcl-1b2@mod.uk

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3. Main activity

Defence

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

The Supply of Socks, Various.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in months: 48

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 3 200 000 and 4 000 000 GBP

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Socks. The Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S), Defence Clothing (DC) Team welcome expressions of interest for the supply of various socks of mixed textiles, under a 4 year framework agreement.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

18317000 Socks

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 3 200 000 and 4 000 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

Before accepting a Tender the authority may require a bank guarantee or parent company guarantee or other guarantees of performance to be provided.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

Tenders are to be priced in GBP sterling and payment will be made in GBP Sterling or any other currency adopted by the UK.

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

If a group of economic operators submits a bid the group must nominate a lead organisation to deal with the Authority. The Authority shall require the group to form a legal entity for entering into contract.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: Please note that the requirement to which this notice relates comes under Logistics Commodities & Services (LCS), formed 1st August 2007. LCS is determining the future strategy for all commodities and services within its remit and may in the future place a contract for the supply of services which may include provision of articles (or services) which are covered by this notice. In this event the Authority may satisfy its requirement from the LCS service contract and no further orders will be placed against any framework arising from this notice. Alternatively, the Authority may appoint a managing agent or third party; or assign the benefit of the agreement to a managing agent, further details will be provided in the tender documentation.

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: The Authority will apply all the offences listed in Article 45(1) of Directive 2004/18/EC (implemented as Regulation 23(1) of the Public Contract Regulations (PCR) 2006 in the UK) and all of the professional misconducts listed at Article 45 (2) of Directive 2004/18/EC (see also Regulation 23(2) in the PCR 2006) to the decision of whether a Candidate is eligible to be invited to tender.

A full list of the Regulation 23(1) and 23(2) criteria are at <http://www.contracts.mod.uk/delta/project/reasonsForExclusion.html#dspr>

Candidates will be required to sign a declaration confirming whether they do or do not have any of the listed criteria as part of the pre-qualification process. For candidates who are registered overseas, you will need to declare if you have any offences/misconduct under your own countries laws, where these laws are equivalent to the Regulation 23 lists.

Candidates who have been convicted of any of the offences under Article 45(1) are ineligible and will not be selected to bid, unless there are overriding requirements in the general interest for doing so.

Candidates who are guilty of any of the offences, circumstances or misconduct under Article 45 (2) may be excluded from being selected to bid at the discretion of the Authority.

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

Full details of information required will be provided in the Invitation to Tender.

Minimum Level(s) of standards possibly required:

The Applicant's (individual companies or members of potential alliances) financial ability to meet this requirement will be assessed on a risk basis and the Applicant's financial accounts will be evaluated by the Cost Assurance and Analysis Service's (CAAS) Financial Analysts. Factors that will be taken into consideration when evaluating the accounts include: Turnover; Profitability; Liquidity and Working Capital; Debt; and Cashflow. CAAS will also examine the financial health of any parent company where appropriate. When assessing the financial health of an organisation the Authority will also take into consideration any Auditor's opinion, for example Qualifications or Emphasis of Matter Statements. The Authority's opinion may be validated using financial credit agencies such as Company Watch and Dun and Bradstreet. If examination of the financial accounts exposes potential for an applicant to experience financial difficulty, then the Authority will determine the level of risk that it is willing to bear in fulfilling the requirement. Evaluation of the accounts will attract an acceptable or non-acceptable risk marking. A non-acceptable risk marking will constitute a non-compliant Tender.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: (a) Appropriate statements from banks or, where appropriate, evidence of relevant professional risk indemnity insurance

(b) The presentation of balance-sheets or extracts from the balance-sheets, where publication of the balance-sheet is required under the law of the country in which the economic operator is established

(c) A statement of the undertaking's overall turnover and, where appropriate, of turnover in the area covered by the contract for a maximum of the last three financial years available, depending on the date on which the undertaking was set up or the economic operator started trading, as far as the information on these turnovers is available

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

(a) A list of the works carried out over the past five years, accompanied by certificates of satisfactory execution for the most important works. These certificates shall indicate the value, date and site of the works and shall specify whether they were carried out according to the rules of the trade and properly completed. Where appropriate, the competent authority shall submit these certificates to the contracting authority direct.

(b) A list of the principal deliveries effected or the main services provided in the past three years, with the sums, dates and recipients, whether public or private, involved. Evidence of delivery and services provided shall be given: - where the recipient was a contracting authority, in the form of certificates issued or countersigned by the competent authority, - where the recipient was a private purchaser, by the purchaser's certification or, failing this, simply by a declaration by the economic operator.

(c) An indication of the technicians or technical bodies involved, whether or not belonging directly to the economic operator's undertaking, especially those responsible for quality control and, in the case of public works contracts, those upon whom the contractor can call in order to carry out the work.

(d) A description of the technical facilities and measures used by the supplier or service provider for ensuring quality and the undertaking's study and research facilities.

(f) The educational and professional qualifications of the service provider or contractor and/or those of the undertaking's managerial staff and, in particular, those of the person or persons responsible for providing the services or managing the work.

(i) A statement of the tools, plant or technical equipment available to the service provider or contractor for carrying out the contract.

(j) An indication of the proportion of the contract which the services provider intends possibly to subcontract.

(k) With regard to the products to be supplied: (i) samples, descriptions and/or photographs, the authenticity of which must be certified if the contracting authority so requests; (ii) certificates drawn up by official quality control institutes or agencies of recognised competence attesting the conformity of products clearly identified by references to specifications or standards.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

Lowest price

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: yes

Additional information about electronic auction: Yes. A Reverse Auction, conducted using electronic means, may be used as part of the procurement process for this requirement.

Specific relevant information on Reverse Auction usage will be given in the Invitation to Tender.

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

DC/04031

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

29.4.2014 - 10:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 29.4.2014 - 10:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

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

VI.3. Additional information

Additional Information: Further Award Criteria will include, but not be limited to: Economic and Financial Standing, ISO 9001:2008 Accreditation, Ability to Trade Electronically and Grounds

for Mandatory/Discretionary Rejection and full Commercial compliance as detailed within the ITT Documentation.

There will also be an ITT question set, which will include the areas mentioned above that must be completed. Should the bidder not meet the criteria detailed in the ITT question set, their tender shall be deemed non-compliant.

The potential supplier shall also be required to submit tender samples as part of their bid. Tender samples will be assessed in accordance with the marking matrix detailed in the ITT. Should the sample not meet the threshold detailed in the ITT, their bid will be deemed not compliant and will not be taken any further in the process.

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender. Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at www.contracts.mod.uk. The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

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When expressing an interest in this requirement bidders are also to provide the following information:

Full name of bid manager / point of contact at the Company.

Full address for all correspondence relating to this requirement - postal and e-mail.

Contact Telephone No.

Company Registration No.

It should be noted that bidders may not receive an ITT if this information is not provided.

Please note that an ITT will be dispatched to potential providers within 6 days of expressing an interest. The closing date for all tenders to be submitted is the 29.4.2014. GO Reference: GO-2014228-DCB-5495613.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: JSC/LCS, JSC/LCS

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Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.2. Review procedure

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

28.2.2014