

**United Kingdom-Prescot: Technical inspection and testing services**

OJ S 206/2014 25/10/2014

Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: First Ark Group

Postal address: Lakeview, Kings Business Park

Town: Prescot

Postal code: L34 1PJ

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [tenders@cirruspurchasing.co.uk](mailto:tenders@cirruspurchasing.co.uk)**Internet address(es):**General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.firstark.com>Address of the buyer profile: [https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=\[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de\]&ClientStyle=1](https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de]&ClientStyle=1)Electronic access to information: [https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=\[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de\]&ClientStyle=1](https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de]&ClientStyle=1)Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: [https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=\[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de\]&ClientStyle=1](https://cirrus-tenders.co.uk/Home.aspx?Link=[129bab76-f9e6-4145-9581-4953af8650de]&ClientStyle=1)**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**

Body governed by public law

**I.3. Main activity**

Housing and community amenities

**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**

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**II.1. Description****II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Fire and safety servicing and maintenance.

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

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

Main site or place of performance: Merseyside and Knowsely.

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

The notice involves a public contract

**II.1.4. Information about framework agreement**

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

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First Ark is looking for a single contractor to provide the following services in the Knowsley area for commercial buildings, community centres and high/low rise blocks.

- Smoke Ventilation Maintenance, Inspection and Testing;
- Emergency Lighting Maintenance and Testing;
- Fire Alarm Maintenance, Inspection and Testing;
- Small Electrical Works;
- Weekly Call Point, Door Release and Panic Alarm Maintenance and Testing;
- Intruder Alarm Service and Maintenance;
- Fire Gas Suppression System and Room Integrity Test Maintenance;
- Servicing of Portable Fire Extinguishers (PFE) and Fire Blankets;
- Gas Detection Service and Maintenance.

The bulk of these services will start at contract commencement, however others will become live as and when existing contracts expire. This information will be provided to bidders who reach ITT stage along with details of which services are applicable to which locations.

The contract is expected to start 1.4.2015.

The outcome of the tender process will be a single contract with a single contractor. The contract will be an initial 2 year contract with 3 options to extend by a further 12 months up to a maximum 5 years total contract term, subject to First Ark requirements and the performance of the successful contractor.

Potential value is approximately 100 000 GBP per annum in total. No guarantees are given, nor are implied as to the value of works that will be placed with the successful contractor over the potential maximum 5 year period as future projections are estimates only at this stage.

First Ark and other members of the group accept no liability for any inaccuracies in the estimates provided.

The contract will be available for use by all members of the First Ark Group. The form of contract to be used is provided in the supporting information section of this tender.

**II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

71630000 Technical inspection and testing services, 50413200 Repair and maintenance services of firefighting equipment, 50413100 Repair and maintenance services of gas-detection equipment, 50711000 Repair and maintenance services of electrical building installations

**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**

The envisaged total quantity is a 2 year initial contract period with 3 options to extend for a further 1 year (12 month) period, equalling a total possible contract of 5 years. Estimated annual value excluding VAT is 100 000 GBP. Total contract value including all options to extend is estimated at 500 000 GBP (excluding VAT). No guarantees are given, nor are implied as to the value of works that will be placed with the successful contractor over the potential maximum 5 year period as future projections are estimates only at this stage. First Ark and other members of the group accept no liability for any inaccuracies in the estimates provided.

### **II.2.2. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options: The initial contract period is for 2 years with 3 (12 month) options to extend, to allow for a total possible contract duration of 5 years.

Provisional timetable for recourse to these options:  
in months: 60 (from the award of the contract)

### **II.2.3. Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

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

Duration in months: 60 (from the award of the contract)

## **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

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

As per tender documentation — First Ark operate standard payment terms of 30 days from date of invoice.

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

Single lead contractor.

#### **III.1.4. Contract performance conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

### **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: Any supplier may be disqualified who has been convicted of:

(a) conspiracy within the meaning of section 1 or 1A of the Criminal Law Act 1977(a) or article 9 or 9A of the Criminal Attempts and Conspiracy (Northern Ireland) Order 1983(b) where that conspiracy relates to participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of Council Framework Decision 2008/841/JHA(c);

- (b) corruption within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889(d) or section 1 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906(e), where the offence relates to active corruption;
- (c) the offence of bribery, where the offence relates to active corruption;
- (ca) bribery within the meaning of section 1 or 6 of the Bribery Act 2010(f);
- (d) fraud, where the offence relates to fraud affecting the European Communities' financial interests as defined by Article 1 of the Convention on the protection of the financial interests of the European Communities(g), within the meaning of:
  - (i) the offence of cheating the Revenue;
  - (ii) the offence of conspiracy to defraud;
  - (iii) fraud or theft within the meaning of the Theft Act 1968(h), the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(i), the Theft Act 1978(j) or the Theft (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(k);
  - (iv) fraudulent trading within the meaning of section 458 of the Companies Act 1985(a), article 451 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(b) or section 993 of the Companies Act 2006(c);
  - (v) fraudulent evasion within the meaning of section 170 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979(d) or section 72 of the Value Added Tax Act 1994(e);
  - (vi) an offence in connection with taxation in the European Union within the meaning of section 71 of the Criminal Justice Act 1993(f);
  - (vii) destroying, defacing or concealing of documents or procuring the execution of a valuable security within the meaning of section 20 of the Theft Act 1968(g) or section 19 of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(h);
  - (viii) fraud within the meaning of section 2, 3 or 4 of the Fraud Act 2006(i); or (ix) making, adapting, supplying or offering to supply articles for use in frauds within the meaning of section 7 of the Fraud Act 2006;
- (e) money laundering within the meaning of section 340(11) of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (j);
  - (ea) an offence in connection with the proceeds of criminal conduct within the meaning of section 93A, 93B or 93C of the Criminal Justice Act 1988(k) or article 45, 46 or 47 of the Proceeds of Crime (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(l);
  - (eb) an offence in connection with the proceeds of drug trafficking within the meaning of section 49, 50 or 51 of the Drug Trafficking Act 1994(m); or
- (f) any other offence within the meaning of Article 45(1) of the Public Sector Directive as defined by the national law of any relevant State.

### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

List and brief description of conditions: See tender documentation.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: See tender documentation.

### **III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of conditions:

See tender documentation.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

See tender documentation.

### **III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

#### **III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

##### **III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

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

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Restricted

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

Envisaged number of candidates: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: See tender documentation.

#### **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**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: no

### **IV.3. Administrative information**

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

#### **IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

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

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 20.11.2014 - 12:00

Payable documents: no

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

20.11.2014 - 12:00

#### **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**

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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#### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 60 months from contract commencement assuming all options to extend are taken. If no option to extend is taken a further notice may be published in approximately 48 months.

#### **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**

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#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

##### **VI.4.2. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: This tender process will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Appeals can be directly raised with First Ark via the contact points detailed in section I.1 of this contract notice.

If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not successfully been resolved between the tenderer and First Ark, then the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No 5) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

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

#### **VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

20.10.2014