

**United Kingdom-Belfast: IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
OJ S 211/2015 30/10/2015
Contract award notice
Services**

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Viridian Group Ltd

Postal address: Procurement Section, Greenwood House, 64 Newforge Lane

Town: Belfast

Postal code: BT9 5NF

Country: United Kingdom

For the attention of: Jim Clendinning, Service Delivery and Contracts Manager

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Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.viridiangroup.co.uk>

Address of the buyer profile: <http://www.viridiangroup.co.uk>

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

Other: electricity supply

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

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes

Official name: Viridian Group Limited is the contracting authority for the purposes of this project and the procurement process. Viridian Group is procuring the contract on behalf of Power NI and Energia and their affiliated subsidiaries and trading entities (collectively the 'Participating Organisations') that are wholly owned by Viridian Group, Viridian Power and Energy Holdings Limited. Viridian Group reserves the right to allow any of the Participating Organisations to enter into the contract with the Supplier. Further information on the Participating Organisations is included in the Project Information Memorandum

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Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title

Billing Systems Level 3 Support and System Upgrades.

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

Services

Service category No 7: Computer and related services
Main site or place of performance: Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK.
NUTS code UKN01 Belfast

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

II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Provision of Level 3 Maintenance Support and the Upgrade of 2 Oracle based Customer Care Billing (CC&B) Systems operated by Viridian Group subsidiaries Energia and Power NI. The introduction of Smart Metering in the Republic of Ireland which is estimated to take place during 2018, may also necessitate an additional upgrades to the CC&B systems.

Applicants will be assessed in accordance with Part 4 of the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2006, as amended, and Part 9 of the European Communities (Award of Contracts by Utility Undertakings) Regulations 2007, as amended, on the basis of information provided in response to a pre-qualification questionnaire ('PQQ') copies of which are available on request by email to procurement@viridiangroup.co.uk Completed PQQs must be returned to Viridian at the address in section I.1) before the deadline specified in section IV.3.4) below.

II.1.5. CPV code(s)

72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support, 72210000 Programming services of packaged software products, 72220000 Systems and technical consultancy services, 72230000 Custom software development services, 72240000 Systems analysis and programming services, 72250000 System and support services, 72260000 Software-related services, 48000000 Software package and information systems, 48100000 Industry specific software package, 48400000 Business transaction and personal business software package, 48600000 Database and operating software package, 48800000 Information systems and servers, 48900000 Miscellaneous software package and computer systems

II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.2. Total value of the contract/lot

II.2.1. Total value of the contract/lot

Value: 9 663 202 GBP
excluding VAT

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Negotiated with a call for competition

IV.2. Award criteria

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

1. Technical / qualitative scoring. Weighting 50
2. Financial scoring. Weighting 40
3. Legal scoring. Weighting 10

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

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

VG14002

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Contract notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2014/S 199-351884](#) of 16.10.2014

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: VG14002

Lot title: Billing Systems Level 3 Support and System Upgrades

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

8.10.2015

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

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V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:

Value: 14 600 000 GBP

excluding VAT

Total value of the procurement:

Value: 9 663 202 GBP

excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:

no

VI.2. Additional information

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Energia and their affiliated subsidiaries and trading entities (collectively the 'Participating Organisations') that are wholly owned by Viridian Group, Viridian Power and Energy Holdings Limited. Viridian Group reserves the right to allow any of the Participating Organisations to enter into the contract with the Supplier.

Viridian and the Participating Organisations expressly reserve the rights:

- i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice;
 - ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition;
 - iii) to award one or more contract(s) in relation to part only of the requirements covered by this notice;
 - iv) to award a contract(s) in stages;
- and in no circumstances will Viridian or any Participating Organisation be liable for any costs incurred by candidates.

VI.3. Procedures for review

VI.3.1. Review body

Official name: Viridian Group Ltd

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Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.3.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Viridian will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Candidates which are unsuccessful shall be informed by Viridian as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the Candidate was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2006 and the European Communities (Award of Contracts by Utility Undertakings) Regulations 2007 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales, and Northern Ireland). Any such action must generally be brought within 3 months. If a declaration of ineffectiveness is sought, any such action must be brought within 30 days where Viridian has communicated the award of the contract and a summary of reasons to tenderers, or otherwise within 6 months of the contract being entered into. Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order Viridian to amend any documents and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make

a declaration of ineffectiveness, order Viridian to pay a fine, and/or order that the duration of the contract/s be shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

VI.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: see section 1 Contracting authority for details of Viridian Group Ltd contacts

VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice

27.10.2015