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**UK-Port Talbot: street-lighting equipment**

**2010/S 130-199501**

**CONTRACT NOTICE**

**Services**

**SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

**I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S)**

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

Civic Centre

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**Internet address(es)**

General address of the contracting authority <http://www.npt.gov.uk>

**Further information can be obtained at:** As in above-mentioned contact point(s)

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained at:** As in above-mentioned contact point(s)

**I.2) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES**

Regional or local authority

Economic and financial affairs

Education

Environment

General public services

Health

Housing and community amenities

Public order and safety

Recreation, culture and religion

Social protection

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**

Street lighting partnership.

**II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Services

Service category: No 1

Main place of performance The County Borough of Neath Port Talbot.

NUTS code UKL17

II.1.3) **The notice involves**

A public contract

II.1.4) **Information on framework agreement**

Framework agreement with a single operator

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

The Council wish to appoint a contractor to work in partnership with the authority in adopting a positive and flexible approach in delivering a complex programme of works and services in relation to street lighting.

The Council anticipate appointing a contractor on a long term (up to a maximum of 25 years) partnership style contract. The procurement will follow a competitive dialogue procedure.

Procurement is viewed as a key driver for delivering the Authority's sustainable development commitments.

The Authority is striving to help develop a vibrant Welsh economy capable of delivering strong and sustainable economic growth by providing opportunities for everyone in Wales. Sustainable development means ensuring that our actions contribute in the round to social, economic and environmental well-being now and in the future; improving the environment, building stronger communities, reducing social exclusion and poverty and encouraging the development of the economy.

The Authority's commitment to deliver 'community benefit' outcomes from our procurement activity is designed to ensure that wider social and economic issues are taken into account when spending public money. The intention is to achieve the very best value for money in the widest sense.

At award of contract, the successful contractor will be expected to work with the contract manager to maximise the community benefits delivered through the contract.

A copy of the pre-qualification questionnaire and descriptive document is available upon request from:

Diane Spencer.

Principal Procurement Officer.

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council.

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A Bidder's Conference will be held between 11am and 1pm, Tuesday 13.7.2010 at the Civic Centre, Port Talbot.

Will organisations please advise if they plan on attending this event.

II.1.6) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

34928500, 34928510, 34928520, 34928530, 50232100

II.1.7) **Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

No

II.1.8) **Division into lots**

No

II.1.9) **Variants will be accepted**

No

II.2) **QUANTITY OR SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT**

II.2.1) **Total quantity or scope**

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council have recognised that their existing street lighting stock currently represents a poor rate on capital by virtue of increasing obsolescence and increasingly high risk. The principle shortfalls are with respect to output standards and reliability, risk of electrical and structural integrity, and operational efficiency and cost-effectiveness and management control. The Council has therefore undertaken a

feasibility study to determine the best way forward. The outcome of that process is that of the available options, a PPP contract with risk transfer to the private sector would be the preferable strategy. The Council have also determined that this approach would be affordable and viable.

The outcomes the Council anticipate from the PPP contract are:

- a street lighting stock compliant with modern standards. The primary vehicle for this will be a 7 year core investment period, to be undertaken at the front end of the contract,
- full, comprehensive and effective routine and non-routine maintenance regimes including a continual emergency response service,
- a fully auditable and accountable service requiring robust reporting procedures, backed by robust QA and administrative procedures,
- an innovative approach to procedures and service delivery to increase service effectiveness, efficiency and auditability,
- an emphasis upon serving the Council's residents, businesses and visitors by maintaining high standards of customer care.

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Excluding VAT

Range between 48 000 000 and 52 000 000 GBP

II.2.2) **Options**

No

II.3) **DURATION OF THE CONTRACT OR TIME-LIMIT FOR COMPLETION**

Starting 1.10.2012. Completion 30.9.2037

**SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

III.1) **CONDITIONS RELATING 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 regulating them**

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

III.1.4) **Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject**

III.2) **CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

III.2.1) **Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: As per pre-qualification questionnaire.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial capacity**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: As per pre-qualification questionnaire.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:  
As per pre-qualification questionnaire.

III.2.4) **Reserved contracts**

No

III.3) **CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO SERVICES CONTRACTS**

III.3.1) **Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession**

No

III.3.2) **Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service**

**SECTION IV: PROCEDURE**

IV.1) **TYPE OF PROCEDURE**

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Competitive dialogue

IV.1.2) **Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**

Envisaged minimum number 5 maximum number 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: As per pre-qualification questionnaire (PQQ).

IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue**

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated Yes

IV.2) **AWARD CRITERIA**

IV.2.1) **Award criteria**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

IV.2.2) **An electronic auction will be used**

No

IV.3) **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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

PQQ27

IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**

**Prior information notice**

Notice number in OJ: 189930-2010 of 30.6.2010

IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents**

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents 13.8.2010 - 12:00

Payable documents No

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

13.8.2010 - 12:00

IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

11.10.2010

IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**

English.

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

Duration in days 120 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders**

Date: 13.8.2010 - 12:00

Place

Legal Services, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council, Civic Centre, Port Talbot.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders Yes

Elected member(s), head of legal services, corporate procurement manager, head of streetcare services (or appropriate delegates).

**SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**VI.1) THIS IS A RECURRENT PROCUREMENT**

Yes

estimated timing for further notices to be published: January 2034.

**VI.2) CONTRACT RELATED TO A PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY EU FUNDS**

No

**VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Buy4Wales Reference Number: 19648.

**VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL**

**VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures**

**VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into. Applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request additional debriefing and that information has to be provided a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be required from Diane Spencer, Principal Procurement Officer ([d.spencer@npt.gov.uk](mailto:d.spencer@npt.gov.uk)).

If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved 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). Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months). Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may only award damages. (The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into).

**VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

**VI.5) DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:**

6.7.2010