Driver & Vehicle The Axis Building, Standards Agency

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INVITATION TO TENDER – Contract Reference: K28/002/0777

Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Training

- 1. You are invited by the Secretary of State for Transport, to submit a tender for Hybrid and EV Type Vehicle Training to the Driver & Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA), the "Authority".
- 2. This Invitation to Tender (ITT) forms part of a competitive procurement for the intended award of a contract for Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Training and is to be conducted in accordance with the Open Procedure, under Directive 2014/25/EU on the award of public sector contracts, as implemented in the UK by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
- As part of this procurement, under the Open Procedure, you will need to submit 3. your response to the Selection Questionnaire (SQ) at the same time as your Tender.
- 4. Please read the following appendices (also listed in the Form of Tender) which accompany this ITT. Should you be awarded the contract, these documents, your tender and any changes agreed in writing will form a binding contract between you and the Department.

Appendix A – Instructions for Tenderers

This document explains some rules you need to follow when preparing your tender, tells you how to submit your tender and alerts you to some things to be aware of if you are awarded the contract.

Appendix B – Specification

This document includes:

- A detailed description of the Services that you will be required to provide to the Authority
- The evidence requirements (Annex 2) which you are required to complete and submit as part of your tender response (please also see point 10)
- The methodology which will be adopted by the Authority to evaluate tender responses

Appendix C - Pricing Schedule Template

A template containing products/services of which you are required to provide prices against as part of your tender response.

Appendix D – DfT Standard Terms & Conditions of Contract

This sets out the DfT standard terms & conditions of which you will be required to abide by should you be awarded the Contract.

Appendix E – Form of Tender

This document will need to be completed as part of your tender response.

- 5. The Contract will be for a period of three (3) years unless extended or terminated by the Department. The Contract has an option to be extended for one (1) + one (1) years.
- 6. You should note that the Pricing Schedule will be fixed for the first 3 years after the commencement of services under the Contract but will be subject to review (in accordance with contract condition No. C4) after that time.
- 7. Bidders should respond electronically via the Delta e-Sourcing portal. Uploaded tender documents should be in a format capable of being read using Microsoft Office and/or Adobe Acrobat without conversion.
- 8. <u>Tenders must be uploaded</u> by 12 NOON on Thursday 17th September 2020. The key dates for the procurement process are stated in the Specification.
- 9. Late tenders will not be admitted and it is your responsibility to ensure that your tender is uploaded on time.
- 10. You must supply as part of your Tender in the order set out below, the following information:
 - A completed online response to the Selection Questionnaire (SQ) on the Delta e-Sourcing system. This needs to be submitted <u>at the same time</u> as your tender.

The following parts of your Tender must be uploaded in Section 7 of the SQ:

- ii. The evidence requirements as outlined in Annex 2 of the Specification
- iii. A completed Pricing Schedule (template provided) that details your tendered pricing schedule (please note this should be uploaded as separate standalone document)
- iv. A completed Form of Tender
- v. Details of any proposed sub-contractors (if applicable), including reasons for their selection.
- vi. Details of any intended Sub-processor(s) and processing of personal data.
- vii. Full company contact details which should be the address any remittance advice should be sent together with your banking details.
- 11. In the interests of efficient public procurement, associated bodies of DfT (including Executive Agencies and Non Departmental Public Bodies) and Other Government Departments (and their associated bodies), may wish to access the Services covered by this requirement. Tenderers are requested to indicate their willingness to enter into contracts as necessary with such other organisations, on the same terms and conditions and at the same prices offered in any arrangement with DVSA which may result from this invitation to tender.
- 12. You can obtain further information about this requirement, including any contractual issues via the Message Centre on the Delta e-Sourcing portal.

13. You should note that this contract will be subject to the General Data Protection Regulation and all other applicable law about the processing of personal data and privacy. By submitting a tender, you agree to comply with all applicable requirements of that legislation and with the instructions and obligations set out in the documents listed in the Form of Tender.