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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Textile articles
2016/S 034-054543**

Prior information notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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Further information can be obtained from:

NHS Supply Chain acting as agent for NHS Business Services Authority
Internet address: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS>

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal agency/office

I.3) Main activity

Health

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

Section II.B: Object of the contract (Supplies or services)

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

'Direct and Transacted Textiles'.

II.2) Type of contract and place of delivery or of performance

Supplies
'Various locations in UK'.
NUTS code UK,UKE4

II.3) Information on framework agreement

II.4) Short description of nature and quantity or value of supplies or services:

'Combination of Direct and Transacted Textiles for use by NHS staff and or patients via NHS Supply Chain by means of direct and transacted routes to market (stocked e-direct and blue diamond). The Framework Agreement will include but be limited to
— Uniforms and Workwear;

- Flame retardant fabrics curtains and blinds;
- Personal protective equipment;
- Staff footwear including theatre footwear;
- Bedding linen and towels;
- Polythene bedding protection;
- Patient wear and related disposable textile products e.g. gowns shrouds bibs bath mats;
- Foam slippers;
- Sleep masks;
- Haberdashery and
- Shower curtains.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 15 000 000 GBP and 18 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. An estimated annual value over a (2 + 2 year term) between 60 000 000 GBP and 72 000 000 GBP'.

Estimated cost excluding VAT:

Range: between 15 000 000 and 18 000 000 GBP

II.5) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

39500000, 33199000, 19244000, 39515100, 39515000, 39515400, 39515410, 39512200, 39512500, 39516120, 18234000, 18221000, 18231000, 18224000, 18318500, 18410000, 18130000, 35113400, 18140000, 18813200, 18000000, 18812000, 18100000, 18830000, 18831000, 18832000, 39512000, 18211000, 18318200, 18233000, 18452000, 39560000, 30192200, 35113100, 18317000, 18143000, 18441000, 18812200, 39518000, 39514100, 39512300, 18300000, 39520000, 18312000, 39525000, 18443340, 39550000, 18800000, 39561120, 19520000, 39563600, 39512100

II.6) **Scheduled date for start of award procedures**

II.7) **Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

II.8) **Additional information:**

'NHS Supply Chain expects to provide successful suppliers with the opportunity to offer additional savings to customers through the provision of discounted pricing value added offerings and commitment/bulk buy initiatives.

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier. Under the Framework Agreement there will be two different methods of supply — 1 for Non-Direct Contract Products and 1 for Direct Contract Products.

NHS Supply Chain will be entitled to purchase the supplies and/or services identified below as Non-Direct Contract Products which it will then make available for purchase by

1) any NHS Trust;

2) any other NHS entity;

3) any government department agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) and/or 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector.

For the supplies and/or services identified as Direct Contract Products below 1) NHS Supply Chain; 2) any NHS Trust; 3) any other NHS entity; 4) any government department agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) and/or 5) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector will be able to enter into a direct contract with the Supplier for any of the supplies and/or services under the Framework.

For Direct Contract Products the Supplier will be required to report to and pay a direct contract management fee to NHS Supply Chain as detailed in the tender documents.

Non-Direct Contract Products

- Filled Bedding Products;
- Polythene bedding protection;
- Patient wear and related disposable textile products e.g. shrouds bibs bath mats;
- Foam slippers;
- Sleep masks;
- Haberdashery;
- Shower curtains.

Direct Contract Products

- Uniforms and Workwear;
- Bedding linen and towels;
- Flame retardant fabrics curtains and blinds;
- Personal protective equipment;
- Staff footwear including theatre footwear;

NHS Supply Chain is currently considering the use of lots for this procurement. However it reserves the right not to as part of any future tender process. Further information in respect of the lot strategy will be set out in the notice for the forthcoming procurement.

As part of its pre-tender strategy NHS Supply Chain would also like to engage with suppliers of these products via a Request for Information (RFI). If you would like to complete the Request for Information document in respect of the products which are the subject of this procurement then please follow the below instructions; Candidates wishing to complete the Request for Information must register their expression of interest. The Request for Information document will then be sent via the Intenda Messaging Centre.

Registration.

1. Use URL <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.
2. If not yet registered:
 - Click on the “Not Registered Yet” link to access the registration page.
 - Complete the registration pages as guided by the mini guide found on the landing page.

Portal access.

If registration has been completed:

- Login with URL <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>
- Click on the “Applicant Dashboard” icon to open the list of new procurement events.

Expression of interest.

— View PIN content by clicking on the “View notice” button for the procurement event. This opens a PDF document.

— Express an interest by clicking on the “Express interest” button.

Request for information document.

— The Request for Information Document will then be sent to you via the Intenda Messaging Centre.

— Applicants will then have 8 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the Request for Information document’.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

'N/A'.

III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) **Information about reserved contracts**

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) **Information about European Union funds**

VI.2) **Additional information:**

VI.3) **Information on general regulatory framework**

VI.4) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

16.2.2016