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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Operating theatre devices and instruments  
2015/S 175-317814**

**Prior information notice**

**Supplies**

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: [www.supplychain.nhs.uk](http://www.supplychain.nhs.uk)

**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**

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

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

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

'Diathermy Consumables'.

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

Supplies  
'Various locations in UK'.  
NUTS code UK

**II.3) Information on framework agreement**

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

'The requirement is for Diathermy Consumables including Return Electrode Plates Diathermy Pencils Smoke Evacuation Pencils Argon Pencils Electrode Attachments Forceps and Associated Products.  
Please note that all communications about this event and the RFI exceptionally must not go via the messaging centre on the NHS Supply Chain portal and any messages or queries relating to this event/PIN must be sent by

e-mail only to Michelle Walker (see section 1 of this Notice for e-mail address). If any messages or queries are sent in via the NHS Supply Chain portal these will not be noted or answered.

Price quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 4 298 845 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement however this is approximate only and may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. This with some small growth factored-in should lead to an estimated value of 18 300 000 GBP over a 4 year period.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 18 300 000 GBP

**Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

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

33162000, 33161000, 31711140, 33162100

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:**

The purpose of this notice is to draw attention to a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months. The invitation to tender will be the subject of a separate notice and it is that notice to which potential suppliers will need to respond at the appropriate time.

The Framework Agreement between NHS Supply Chain and successful suppliers will reserve the right to purchase the same or similar supplies and/or services from suppliers not appointed to the Framework Agreement at its sole discretion.

Whilst it is anticipated that initial expenditure under any forthcoming procurement will be in the region of 4 298 845 GBP for this contract award this is approximate only and the values will be to such level as those purchasing under the Framework Agreement consider necessary to provide suitable requirements.

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.

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase supplies and/or services which it will make available for purchase by:

- 1) any NHS Trust;
- 2) any other NHS entity;
- 3) any government department agency or other statutory body; and/or
- 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector. Only NHS Supply Chain can order from the Framework Agreement and enter into contracts under it.

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 instructions below. Candidates wishing to complete the RFI must register their expression of interest. The RFI document will be sent to all interested parties through the Intenda Messaging Centre. This event and the RFI document shall be made available as soon as possible after the official publication date. However there may be a slight delay between publishing in the official journal and the event going live on the NHS Supply Chain portal. Please

therefore keep checking the NHS Supply Chain portal and only raise a query should the delay in publication on the NHS Supply Chain portal be over five working days since the official journal date of publication.

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 should be made available in the Intenda Messaging Centre shortly after full publication.

— Applicants will then have 4 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the Request for Information document.

Estimated date of publication of contract notice 6.7.2016.

#### **Information about lots**

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 01

Lot title: Diathermy Plates

1) **Short description:**

Standard (Solid) and Split return electrode plates with and without lead wire.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 1 311 800 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 5 207 205 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 02

Lot title: Diathermy Pencils

1) **Short description:**

Disposable or reusable diathermy pencils used to either cut tissue or produce coagulation.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 31711140, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 754 550 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 2 674 899 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 03

Lot title: Smoke Evacuation Pencils

1) **Short description:**

Disposable smoke evacuation pencils; fully integrated unit pencil with cradle and tubing and cradle attachments.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 31711140, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 526 050 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 2 544 517 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 04

Lot title: Argon Pencils

1) **Short description:**

Diathermy pencil with argon beam.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 31711140, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 74 550 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 328 350 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 05

Lot title: Electrode Attachments

1) **Short description:**

Electrode attachments including; blades needles balls colposcopy loops arthroscopic tips laparoscopic tips.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 31711140, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 892 806 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 4 059 843 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 06

Lot title: Suction Coagulators

1) **Short description:**

Hand pieces used to aspirate blood and small tissue particulate in addition to controlling bleeding during open surgical procedures. Can be hand or foot controlled.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 88 800 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 403 707 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 07

Lot title: Diathermy Forceps

1) **Short description:**

Diathermy forceps including; single use or reusable bipolar or monopolar.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 33162100

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 430 700 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.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 2 195 715 GBP

5) **Additional information about lots:**

NUTS Code: UK.

Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Lot No: 08

Lot title: Associated Products

1) **Short description:**

Any associated product for use with Diathermy consumables/machines such as cables footswitches etc.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33162000, 33161000, 33162100, 31711140

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 219 589 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.  
Estimated cost excluding VAT: 869 829 GBP

- 5) **Additional information about lots:**  
NUTS Code: UK.

**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:**  
7.9.2015