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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Decontamination equipment  
2016/S 210-382555**

**Contract 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/>

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

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

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:**

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: Object of the contract**

**II.1) Description**

**II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:**

'Decontamination Capital Equipment (Endoscopy and Sterile Services) and Associated Accessories'.

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

Supplies

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: Various locations in UK.  
NUTS code UK

**II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Framework agreement with several operators

Number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged: 112

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in years: 3

**Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement**

Estimated value excluding VAT: 69 162 000 GBP

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

NHS Supply Chain seeks to establish a non-exclusive Framework Agreement for the supply to the NHS Supply Chain customer base via the direct route of: Decontamination Capital Equipment (Endoscopy and Sterile Services) and Associated Accessories.

The Framework shall include installation maintenance and servicing where applicable of the goods bought through the Framework Agreement and shall include but not be limited to the following:

- Washer Disinfectors employing chemical disinfection for thermolabile endoscopes.
- Controlled Environment Endoscope Storage Cabinets.
- Ultrasonic Cleaners used as pre-cleaners prior to processing in instrument washer disinfectors.
- Type 1 Washer Disinfectors for Surgical Instruments.
- Type 2 Washer Disinfectors For Surgical Instruments (Multi Chamber).
- Washer Disinfectors employing Thermal Disinfection for non-invasive non-critical Medical Devices & Healthcare Equipment (Trolley Washers).
- Porous Load Sterilizers & Clean Steam Generators.
- Vapour Phase Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilizers.
- Water Treatment Plant for Washer Disinfectors employing Chemical Disinfection for Thermolabile Endoscopes in Decontamination Equipment.
- Water Treatment Plant for Washer Disinfectors for Surgical Instruments in Decontamination Equipment.
- Water Treatment Plant for Porous Load Sterilizers.

Associated accessories and services shall be available for purchase under this Framework Agreement provided that they are an accessory that can be used in conjunction with the normal day to day use of the goods and services that are purchased under the Framework Agreement. Any related accessories or services must be purchased alongside goods and/or services listed under one of the lots and must fall within one of the CPV codes listed on this Contract Notice.

Examples of accessories options and services that may fall within the scope of this Framework Agreement include but shall not be limited to:

- Installation qualification (IQ) Operational qualification (OQ) and Validation Testing.
- Air Compressors.
- Independent Monitoring Systems.
- Chamber Furniture.
- Training Packages.
- Documentation (including manuals and instructions).

This Framework Agreement is for 36 months with the option to extend up to a total period of 12 months.

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain acting as an agent of the NHS Business Services Authority and the Applicant however any NHS Trust; other NHS entities; any private sector entity which is active in the United Kingdom Healthcare Sector; any government department government agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities); or any primary secondary tertiary vocational or higher educational establishment (and those purchasing on their behalf) including for example nursery schools primary schools middle or high schools secondary schools academies free schools pupil referral units (PRUs) further education colleges and universities will be able to enter into a direct contract with the Supplier for any of the supplies and/or services under the Framework.

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

42924720, 33100000, 42943200, 33191100, 33191110, 45252200

II.1.7) **Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

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

II.1.8) **Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9) **Information about variants**

II.2) **Quantity or scope of the contract**

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

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases will be in the region of 50 110 500 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 69 162 000 GBP

II.2.2) **Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of these options: 'This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a further period of up to 12 months in addition to the initial 36 month period as set out in the Framework Agreement. '

II.2.3) **Information about renewals**

II.3) **Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

Duration in months: 36 (from the award of the contract)

**Information about lots**

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Washer Disinfectors employing chemical disinfection for thermolabile endoscopes

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the cleaning of endoscopes through thermal or chemical disinfection.

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

42924720, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 24 110 000

GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

A maximum of 12 suppliers will be appointed to this Lot and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 33 184 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 2

Lot title: Controlled Environment Endoscope Storage Cabinets

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the drying and storage of endoscopes after reprocessing.

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

42924720, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 6 740 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 9 332 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Ultrasonic Cleaners used as pre-cleaners prior to processing in instrument washer

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the cleaning by ultrasonic methods.

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

42924720, 33100000, 42943200

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 403 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 558 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 4

Lot title: Type 1 Washer Disinfectors for Surgical Instruments

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the cleaning of soiled reusable utensils, more commonly known as surgical instruments.

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

42924720, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 6 403 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

A maximum of 8 suppliers who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 8 865 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 5

Lot title: Type 2 Washer Disinfectors For Surgical Instruments (Multi Chamber)

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the cleaning of soiled reusable utensils, more commonly known as surgical instruments via multiple chambers.

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

42924720, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 474 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 60 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 632 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 6

Lot title: Washer Disinfectors employing Thermal Disinfection for non-invasive, non-critical Medical Devices & Healthcare Equipment (Trolley Washers)

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the cleaning of trolleys and other items.

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

42924720, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 247 500 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 55 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 330 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 7

Lot title: Porous Load Sterilizers & Clean Steam Generators

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the sterilization and processing of items through steam when other methods may not be suitable.

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

42924720, 33100000, 33191100, 33191110

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 7 413 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

A maximum of 8 suppliers who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 10 264 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 8

Lot title: Vapour Phase Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilizers

1) **Short description**

The equipment and associated accessories for the sterilization of equipment where water or steam is detrimental to the equipment.

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

42924720, 33100000, 33191100

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 2 000 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 2 800 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 9

Lot title: Water Treatment Plant for Washer Disinfectors employing Chemical Disinfection for Thermolabile Endoscopes in Decontamination Equipment

1) **Short description**

Water Treatment Plant and associated accessories.for use with automated endoscope reprocessors.

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

42924720, 33100000, 45252200

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 1 684 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 2 332 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 10

Lot title: Water Treatment Plant for Washer Disinfectors for Surgical Instruments in Decontamination Equipment

1) **Short description**

Water Treatment Plant and associated accessories for use with washer disinfectors in a sterile services department.

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

42924720, 33100000, 45252200

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 336 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 465 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 11

Lot title: Water Treatment Plant for Porous Load Sterilizers

1) **Short description**

Water Treatment Plant and associated accessories for use with porous load sterilizers in a sterile services department.

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

42924720, 33100000, 45252200

3) **Quantity or scope**

'This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 36 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 300 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 50 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 400 000 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions relating to the contract**

**III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:**

'Parent company or other guarantees may be required in certain circumstances. Further details will be in the tender documents where appropriate.

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**III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:**

'Please see tender documents.

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

'The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require groupings of entities to take a particular form or to require one party to undertake primary legal liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.

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**III.1.4) Other particular conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: 'The Framework Agreement includes obligations with respect to environmental issues and a requirement for successful Suppliers to comply with the NHS Supply Chain Code of Conduct

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**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 the requirements are met: 'submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal at

<http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

Candidates wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional procurement-specific information (if required) through the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal as follows:

Registration

1.

Use URL <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.

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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 "Supplier Dashboard" icon to open the list of new procurement events.

Expression Of Interest

— View Contract Notice 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.

— To start the response process after the expression of interest has been done select the “My Active Opportunities” option and click on the “Apply” button.

— Select the procurement event from the list by clicking on the description

— In the detail view click on the orange coloured “Framework Agreement” button to start responding to the tender.

Tender Response

Header Level Requirements:

— Applicants are required to read all Framework Header Documents which can be accessed using the “NHS SC Header Documents” button which is located in the “Select Framework” tab.

— Applicants are required to upload the documents requested using the “supplier Header Documents” button which is located in the “select Framework” tab.

LOT Level Requirements:

A preview of the Lot line details can be viewed using the “LOT Header” tab by selecting the Lot and using the “LOT Line Information” button. In order to respond to a Lot Applicants must select the relevant Lot and then use the “express Intent” button. This expression of intent does not place any obligation on the Applicant to respond the action unlocks the ability to respond.

Complete price offers per Line for the Lot by completing the required fields for the Lines the Applicant wants to include in the bid using the “LOT Line Detail” tab. There are a number of mandatory fields to complete on a Line basis these are highlighted in yellow in the “LOT Line Detail” tab.

Applicants are required to answer all mandatory Lot specific questions found in the “LOT Evaluation Criteria” tab.

Applicants are then required to click on the “terms And Conditions” button in the “submit Individual Lot Response(s)” tab to view and accept the ISS Terms and Conditions.

Finally Applicants are required to click on the “submit Response To Selected LOT” button in the “submit Individual LOT Response(s)” tab to submit their response for the Lot.

Applicants are able to view their submission using the “supplier Submission Report” button found in the “submit Individual LOT Response(s)” tab.

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

III.2.3) **Technical capacity**

III.2.4) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**

III.3.1) **Information about a particular profession**

III.3.2) **Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

#### **Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Type of procedure**

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Open

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

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

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) **Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: yes

Additional information about electronic auction: 'Although an electronic auction will not be used to award all or part of the requirements of the Framework Agreement the use of eAuctions may be an option as part of any contracts awarded under the Framework Agreement.

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IV.3) **Administrative information**

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

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

**Prior information notice**

Notice number in the OJEU: [2015/S 096-173552](#) of 20.5.2015

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

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

28.11.2016 - 15:00

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

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**

in days: 180 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 29.11.2016 - 9:00

Place:

As in above mentioned I.1

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Additional information about authorised persons and opening procedure: 'Only the NHS Supply Chain contract owner or delegate

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**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

VI.2) **Information about European Union funds**

VI.3) **Additional information**

'Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in II.1.4 is an estimate only. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for details of the scoring process to be used to assess the Suppliers to be appointed to the Framework Agreement.

NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to appoint more suppliers to the Framework Agreement in the event that more than 112 reach the minimum score for appointment which is set out in the Invitation to Tender.

Applicants should refer to Annex B of this Contract Notice for further details in respect of appointment to the individual lots across the Framework Agreement. Applicants may bid for one more than one or all of the Lots and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for more information in respect of this.

The term of contracts formed under the Framework Agreement may continue beyond the end of the term of the Framework Agreement itself. 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 will share savings information in order to assist its customers with making informed procurement decisions.

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.

The participating contracting authorities reserve the right to finance the purchase of the supplies through a lease transaction using a third party lessor. Any such financial services will be obtained by the participating contracting authorities through a separate procurement exercise and not as part of this procurement. The financial services may be sourced from the NHS Supply Chain leasing Framework Agreement.

In this event the supplier appointed to the Framework Agreement may receive from a third party lessor appointed by the participating contracting authority a purchase order for delivery to the participating contracting authority. The supplier appointed to the Framework Agreement will then be required to supply in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Framework Agreement.

Electronic ordering will be used and electronic invoicing will be accepted and electronic payment will be used. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding the estimate indicated at II.2.1 NHS Supply Chain does not guarantee any level of purchase through the framework and advises Applicants that the framework shall be established on a non-exclusive basis.

Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contract must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreement entered into will be considered a contract made in England according to English law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts. NHS Supply Chain is not liable for any costs (including any third party costs fees or expenses) incurred by those expressing an interest participating or tendering for this contract opportunity. NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to terminate the procurement process (or part of it) to change the basis of and the procedures for the procurement process at any time or to procure the subject matter of the contract by alternative means if it appears that it can be more advantageously procured by alternative means. The most economically advantageous or any tender will not automatically be accepted.

All communications must be made through NHS Supply Chain's eTendering portal at <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

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VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

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

Not applicable

**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Not applicable

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: 'Appeals to be lodged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

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

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

27.10.2016