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# **Multi Temperature Food Solutions**

## **NHS Supply Chain**

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS Supply Chain

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London

SE1 6LH

#### **Email**

[strategicsourcing@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:strategicsourcing@supplychain.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

#### **Internet address(es)**

#### **Main address**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health>

**Buyer's address**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Multi Temperature Food Solutions

#### **Reference number**

20

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NHS Supply Chain: Food seeks to establish a non-exclusive Framework Agreement for supply to Trusts within the NHS (the “Customer(s)”) via the Direct Route.

Details of the NHS Supply Chain routes to market can be found in Appendix 3e Operational Suppliers Requirements.

The Framework Agreement is for the supply of Multi Temperature Food Solutions to the NHS Supply Chain customer base via the Direct route. The Specification includes Ambient, Chilled and Frozen food products.

This Framework Agreement consists of 2 (two) Lots:

- Lot 1 Frozen Food Products
- Lot 2 Multi Temperature Foods

Applicants may tender for one or all of the Lots.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £240,000,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Frozen Food Products

#### **Lot No**

1

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products
- 15220000 - Frozen fish, fish fillets and other fish meat
- 15221000 - Frozen fish
- 15229000 - Frozen fish products
- 15251000 - Frozen crustaceans
- 15311000 - Frozen potatoes
- 15311200 - Diced, sliced and other frozen potatoes
- 15331170 - Frozen vegetables
- 15555000 - Ice cream and similar products
- 15555100 - Ice cream
- 15896000 - Deep-frozen products

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

##### **NUTS codes**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The supply of Frozen Food Products, including:

- frozen fish
- frozen fish, fish fillets and other fish meat

- frozen fish products
- frozen crustaceans
- frozen potatoes
- diced, sliced and other frozen prepared potatoes
- frozen vegetables
- Ice Cream and similar products
- Ice cream
- deep frozen products
- specifically frozen: bakery products, meat, meat products & meat substitute products, poultry, savoury products, pizza, desserts, cakes.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £11M and £44M for the full 48 months (if extended).

Applicants may price for one, more than one, or all the product lines listed in the 'Commercial Envelope' in the Eprocurement portal in Lot 1.

However, Applicants must submit a price against every product listed in the 'Commercial Envelope' that they are able to supply at time of tender.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents, at tender evaluation stage, to the relevant Lot of the Framework Agreement.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Service & Delivery Capability / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Health and Wellbeing / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Resource Efficiency / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Socio-economic / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of Service / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £44,000,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, frame agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

#### **Duration in months**

24

#### **This contract is subject to renewal**

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

#### **Description of options**

The framework agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Multi Temperature Foods

#### **Lot No**

2

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

**II.2.3) Place of performance****NUTS codes**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The supply of two different temperatures of product on the same delivery vehicle. The combination being either;

- Ambient and Chilled food products on the same delivery;

Or

- Ambient and Frozen food products on the same delivery;

Or

- Chilled and Frozen food products on the same delivery;

Or

- Ambient and Chilled and Frozen food products on the same delivery.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £49M and £196M for the full 48 months (if extended).

It is a mandatory requirement that Applicants for Lot 2 have the ability to provide a minimum of two different temperatures of product within the 'Commercial Envelope' in Lot 2.

Failure to do so will result in the Applicant's tender submission for ALL submitted product lines for Lot 2 in its entirety not being evaluated further.

The temperature of each Product listed is shown in the 'Temperature Category' column in the Lot 2 'Commercial Envelope'.

For example, an Applicant must price for, at minimum, either:

- An Ambient Product AND a Chilled Product.

OR

- An Ambient Product AND a Frozen Product.

OR

- A Chilled Product AND a Frozen Product.

Applicants must submit a price against every product listed in the 'Commercial Envelope' that they are able to supply at time of tender.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents, at tender evaluation stage, to the relevant Lot of the Framework Agreement.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Service & Delivery Capability / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Health and Wellbeing / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Resource Efficiency / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Socio-economic / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of Service / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £196,000,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, frame agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

**Duration in months**

24

**This contract is subject to renewal**



No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

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#### **Description of options**

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a further 24 months.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

##### **List and brief description of conditions**

List and brief description of conditions:

Applicants should refer to II.2) of this contract notice for further details in respect of appointment to the framework agreement. Applicants may bid for one, more than one or all 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: food 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 initiatives. Please refer to section 9 of the ITT in respect to this. NHS Supply Chain: food will share savings information in order to assist its customers with making informed procurement decisions. 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 (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities); and/or
- 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector.

Only NHS Supply Chain: food can order from the framework agreement and enter into contracts under it. 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.1.4) and II.1.5). NHS Supply Chain: food 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: food 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: food 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 <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com> using the message centre facility linked to this particular contract notice. Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3) is an estimate only.

### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

#### **Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required**

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.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance 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.

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 28

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

#### **IV.2) Administrative information**

##### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2020/S 218-536542](#)

##### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of projects or requests to participate**

###### **Date**

31 March 2021

###### **Local time**

3:00pm

##### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

##### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

###### **Date**

1 April 2021

###### **Local time**

9:00am

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eProcurement portal at [https://](https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/)

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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 eProcurement portal

using the URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/> to access the portal.

Applicants are encouraged to download the supplier handbook located within the eProcurement portal by

following the 'Supplier Helpcentre' link within the Useful Links section of the Dashboard.

For any technical help with the portal please contact:

Tel: 0800 069 8630 or email: [help\\_uk@jaggaer.com](mailto:help_uk@jaggaer.com)

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Not Applicable

N/A

**Country**

United Kingdom

**VI.4.3) Review procedure**

**Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures**

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).