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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Pulp
2017/S 167-343225**

Prior information notice

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Supplies

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

- I.1) **Name and addresses**
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- I.2) **Joint procurement**

- I.3) **Communication**
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available.
Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

- 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:**
Medical Pulp, Macerators and Support Products.
- II.1.2) **Main CPV code**
03460000
- II.1.3) **Type of contract**
Supplies

II.1.4) **Short description:**

The Framework Agreement will cover a range of Medical Pulp products, Macerators and support products. Please refer to Sections II.2.4 of each Lot for more information in relation to the requirements.

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 6 500 000 GBP to 16 500 000 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.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 66 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Medical Pulp and Support Products

Lot No: 1

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

03460000

33140000

19520000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The Framework Agreement will cover a range of Medical Pulp products, Macerators and support products. The requirement for Medical Pulp products will include but not be limited to bedpans, commode pans, urinals, pots, bowls and covers, cups, dishes and trays. The requirement for plastic support products will include but not be limited to plastic supports for bedpan liners and bowls. There will be a requirement for pulp storage/dispensing racks.

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants will be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

— ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the Applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing storage and distribution. Further information in respect of certification requirements will be set out in the notice for the forthcoming procurement. If such certificates are not in the name of the Applicant then the Applicant must supply a copy of agreements setting out the authority and responsibilities of all parties in the supply chain.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 6 000 000 GBP to 15 500 000 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.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Macerators and Support Products

Lot No: 2

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

42996110

51410000

50421000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The requirements under this Lot will include but not be limited to the purchase, delivery and installation of Macerators, in addition to servicing and warranty elements. Macerator cleaning support products are also included in this Framework Agreement.

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants will be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

— ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the Applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing storage and distribution. Further information in respect of certification requirements will be set out in the notice for the forthcoming procurement. If such certificates are not in the name of the Applicant then the Applicant must supply a copy of agreements setting out the authority and responsibilities of all parties in the supply chain.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 500 000 GBP to 1 000 000 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.

II.3) **Estimated date of publication of contract notice:**

30/01/2018

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) **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 will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier. Under the Framework Agreement there will be 2 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 in the tender documents 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 in the tender documents 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. 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. The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants will be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

— ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the Applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. Please refer to each Section II.2.4 for each Lot for additional information in respect of this.

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 'Supplier Dashboard' icon and select 'Prior Information Notice' towards the top right of the screen, to open the list of new Prior Information Notices.

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 4 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the Request for Information document.

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

30/08/2017