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UK-Reading: school catering services

2010/S 189-288967

PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICE

Services

SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S)

Reading Borough Council
Civic Offices
Attn: Corporate Procurement
RG1 7AE Reading
UNITED KINGDOM
Tel. +44 1189372945
E-mail: corporate.procurement@reading.gov.uk
Fax +44 1189372278

Internet address(es)

General address of the contracting authority www.reading.gov.uk
Address of the buyer profile www.reading.gov.uk/procurement

Further information can be obtained at:

Reading Borough Council
Civic Offices
Contact: Education Directorate Support Services
Attn: Colin McIntosh - Head of business support
RG1 7AE Reading
UNITED KINGDOM
Tel. +44 1189374091
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I.2) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES

Regional or local authority
General public services
Environment
Housing and community amenities
Social protection
Recreation, culture and religion
Education
Other

SECTION II.B: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT (SUPPLIES OR SERVICES)

II.1) TITLE ATTRIBUTED TO THE CONTRACT BY THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

UK-Reading: catering service for school meals.

II.2) TYPE OF CONTRACT AND PLACE OF DELIVERY OR OF PERFORMANCE

To various school establishments within the administrative boundary of Reading Borough Council in the Royal County of Berkshire.

NUTS code UKJ11

II.3) **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF NATURE AND QUANTITY OR VALUE OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES**

Provision of a catering service to approximately 45 schools, comprising of nursery, primary, secondary and specialist schools in Reading. Contract to commence Summer 2012.

estimated cost excluding VAT

Range: between 10 000 000 and 13 000 000 GBP

Division into lots No

II.4) **COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV)**

55524000, 55500000, 55520000, 15894210

II.5) **SCHEDULED DATE FOR START OF AWARD PROCEDURES**

1.4.2011

II.6) **CONTRACT COVERED BY THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT (GPA)**

Yes

II.7) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

It is anticipated that the successful contractor will be appointed by January 2012. The contract will be for an initial period of 4 years (48 months) with an option, subject to satisfactory performance, to extend by a period/ periods not exceeding in total 48 months. It is envisaged that the service will commence in August 2012.

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 regulating them**

To be specified in invitation to tender documentation.

III.2) **CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

III.2.1) **Reserved contracts**

SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VI.1) **CONTRACT RELATED TO A PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY COMMUNITY FUNDS**

No

VI.2) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Interested parties are advised that a "Meet the Buyer" event will be held on Monday 8.11.2010 from 9:30 to 14:00 hours at The Avenue Centre, (Tilehurst Suites A & B), Conwy Road, Tilehurst, Reading, RG30 4BZ. This is a free event and potential service providers who wish to attend are requested to contact the project officer by e-mail: SMMP@reading.gov.uk, before 22.10.2010 to book a place and to obtain joining instructions.

The authority is publishing this prior information notice on a voluntary basis as this project is a Part B service. Contractors should be aware that the Transfer of Undertaking (protection of employment) Regulations (TUPE) will apply to this contract.

GO reference: GO 10092702/01.

VI.3) **INFORMATION ON GENERAL REGULATORY FRAMEWORK**

VI.4) **DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:**

27.9.2010