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PROJECT TITLE: UK-Bracknell: waste management services

Project number: 2002/S 223-177749

1. **Awarding authority:** Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Reading Borough Council & Wokingham District Council, Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Time Square, Market Street, UK-Bracknell RG12 1JD. Att: Andrew Withey, Project Manager. Tel.: (013 44) 35 25 28. E-mail: Andrew.Withey@bracknell-forest.gov.uk.
2. **Category of service and description, CPC reference number, quantity, options:** CPV: 90121000, 90121100, 90121300, 90122000, 90123000, 90123100, 90315300.
Service category 16.
Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority: UK-Central Berkshire - Waste Management Services.
The councils wish to appoint a contractor to provide an integrated long-term service for the reception, recycling, composting, treatment and disposal of household and, potentially, other municipal waste from the 3 councils' administrative areas. The councils seek continual improvement in line with the principles of best value and the contractor will be expected to meet and exceed statutory recycling and diversion targets. The councils have secured financial support for the scheme under the United Kingdom Government's Private Finance Initiative. It is one of the conditions of the provision of PFI credits that these targets are exceeded.
3. **Delivery to:** Central Berkshire area which comprises the administrative areas of Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Reading Borough Council and Wokingham District Council.
NUTS code: UK 521 - Berkshire.
4. (a) **Reserved for a particular profession:** No.
(b)
(c) **Obligation to mention the names and qualification of personnel:** Yes.
5. **Division into lots:** The councils wish to optimise the value for money of the project. For this reason, part of their evaluation will focus on the cost of certain elements of each bid. The councils' preference is to award one contract but, in order to achieve optimum value for certain elements, they reserve the right to propose preferred sub contractors or otherwise require the contractor to obtain better value. The ISOP/ITN will include further details.
6. **Number of service providers which will be invited to tender:** Minimum 4.
7. **Variants:** Yes.
8. **Time limits for completion or duration of the contract, for starting or providing the service:** Service commencement anticipated for late 2004. Duration of contract will be long term in the region of 20/30 years.

Note, in line with current PFI market practice, it may be extended when and if certain change provisions, necessary in long term contracts, are invoked.

9. **Legal form in case of group bidders:** Joint and severable liability. Any consortia may be required to form a corporate vehicle.
10. (a)
(b) **Deadline for receipt of requests to participate:** 20.12.2002.
(c) **Address:** As in 1; Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Reading, Borough Council & Wokingham District Council, for the attention of Andrew Withey, Project Manager, Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Time Square, Market Street, UK-Bracknell RG12 1JD. Tel.: (013 44) 35 25 28. E-mail: Andrew.Withey@bracknell-forest.gov.uk.
(d) **Language(s):** English.
11. **Deposits and guarantees:** To be set out in the ITN.
12. **Qualifications:** Information concerning the personal situation of the contractor, supplier or service provider and information and formalities necessary for the evaluation of the minimum economic, financial and technical capacity required:
these will be based on Articles 27 to 35 of Directive 92/50/EEC but more detailed questions based on these are set out in a Pre Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) obtainable from the address in 1.
Legal position - means of proof required: see PQQ.
Economic and financial capacity - means of proof required: see PQQ.
Technical capacity - means of proof required: see PQQ.
13. **Providers already selected:** No.
14. **Other information:** Address from which further information and documentation can be obtained: Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Reading, Borough Council & Wokingham District Council, for the attention of Andrew Withey, Project Manager, Bracknell Forest Borough Council, Time Square, Market Street, UK-Bracknell RG12 1JD. Tel.: (013 44) 35 25 28. E-mail: Andrew.Withey@bracknell-forest.gov.uk.
Type of contracting authority: regional/local level.
It is not a framework agreement.
Main terms of financing and payment and/or reference to the relevant provisions: regular progress payments based on value of services provided.
Type of procedure: negotiated.
Award criteria: the most economically advantageous tender in terms of criteria as stated in contract documents.
This notice is a mandatory one.
The contract does not relate to a project/programme financed by EU funds.
There are collection contracts currently in place with each council separately and tenderers will be required to explain how this interface can be managed in the short, medium and long terms. At the expiry of existing contracts, or earlier if appropriate, one or more of the councils may wish to explore the possibility of integration of collection services into the main contract.
The combined annual tonnage of household waste will vary accordingly to waste and population growth. The current combined tonnage of household waste is in the order of 210 000 tonnes per annum.
This notice is issued in compliance with the Environmental Protection Act 1990, Landfill Directive 2000 and Waste Strategy 2000.
The councils will award the contract on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender. The evaluation criteria will be set out in the ITN. The councils reserve the right to stop the procurement at any time during the process, which shall include the right not to award the contract.
It is intended at the start of the negotiation stage to invite pre-qualified candidates to submit outline proposals (ISOP stage).
The councils may, subject to the duty to obtain 'best consideration' under section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972, offer certain council-owned sites for use on this contract. Tenderers are also free to propose their own as alternatives or in addition to any council-owned sites. Further information, including title information will be provided in the ITN as appropriate.
15. **Notice postmarked:** 8.11.2002.

16. **Notice received on: 8.11.2002.**
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18. **Covered by the "GPA" agreement: No.**