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**United Kingdom-Swindon: Telecommunications services
2014/S 192-339067**

Prior information notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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Further information can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.3) Main activity

General public services

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II.B: Object of the contract (Supplies or services)

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Super-fast Broadband.

II.2) Type of contract and place of delivery or of performance

Service category No 5: Telecommunications services
NUTS code UKK14

II.3) Information on framework agreement

II.4) Short description of nature and quantity or value of supplies or services:

The Swindon Borough Council Broadband Programme is working to extend coverage of super-fast broadband (greater than 24 Mbs) across Swindon, in areas beyond the reach of commercially-funded deployments. Swindon Borough Council wishes to improve access to broadband services in areas which are unlikely to be covered without public intervention. This procurement requires a wholesale broadband network solution providing wholesale broadband services that retail service providers can use to provide business consumers, residential consumers, and public sector organisations with a range of broadband services for the term. The proposed solution must comply with the BDUK Technology Guidance and must deliver the following:

— a wholesale broadband service that will be open to all service and communications providers on a non-discriminatory basis for at least 7 years;

— a wholesale broadband service which makes available the greatest download and upload access speeds (data throughput) to greater than 95 % of Swindon premises, (equating to approximately a minimum of 16 000 additional premises within a defined intervention area) by December 2017. A detailed breakdown of intervention area premises is available within the Speed and Coverage Template in the Data Room (see additional information for details of the Data Room). Indicative subsidy funding by the Council and BDUK of up to 3 000 000 GBP is to be used as gap funding, as necessary to maximise coverage. The Contractor will be expected to provide substantial investment in the network, and to own and manage the risks associated with developing and operating a wholesale broadband network, including but not limited to take-up risk. The estimated time-scales for the OJEU tender is Contract Notice to be issued on 30 October, Bidders day 23 October, (if required) and tender due back on 21.12.2014 this is an indicative time-scale only and Swindon Borough Council reserves the right to amend these time-scales. Please refer to additional information regarding access to the Data Room, by requesting access to the Data room you are registering your interest in this tender and more details on the Bidders day.

Estimated cost excluding VAT:

Range: between 2 000 000 and 3 000 000 GBP

Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.5) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

64200000, 72315000, 50334400, 50330000, 45232300, 32571000, 32562200, 32510000, 32412100, 32425000, 32420000, 32424000, 32412000, 32412110, 32500000, 32570000, 45000000, 45231600, 45232332, 50332000, 51300000, 64227000, 72400000, 32530000, 45232340, 45314000, 64210000, 51000000, 71316000, 72222000, 79340000, 79342000

II.6) **Scheduled date for start of award procedures**

II.7) **Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

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

II.8) **Additional information:**

The Local Body is making a Data Room available as part of the pre-tendering process. Access to Data Room — The Data Room can be accessed by Bidders subject to the terms of a Non Disclosure Agreement entered into between the Bidder and Swindon Borough Council. To obtain a Non Disclosure Agreement, please email the contact in I.1., on receipt of a signed Non Disclosure Agreement by Swindon Borough Council, details on how to access the Data Room will be provided. Data Room Content—Please refer to the index contained within the Data Room for a full list of the information supplied within the Data Room.

— The content of the Data Room may change over time. Restrictions — Each Bidder must, for the avoidance of doubt, adhere to the terms of the Non Disclosure Agreement and the tender documentation subsequently issued in respect of the Data Room content. Reliance on Content of Data Room — No representation or warranty is made concerning the completeness or accuracy of the information and data contained within the Data Room.

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 governing them:**

III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) Information about reserved contracts**Section VI: Complementary information****VI.1) Information about European Union funds****VI.2) Additional information:**

Swindon Borough Council reserves the right (in its complete discretion) to amend and/or not continue with this procurement process at any time. Any interested parties responding to this notice and carry out any due diligence in respect of the project fully at their own risk and expense.

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VI.3) Information on general regulatory framework**VI.4) Date of dispatch of this notice:**

2.10.2014