



REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

Background

Blends Flavours & Colours is a family run business in Knowsley specialising in producing flavours for the food and beverage industry. Having supplied flavours and 'ready to drink' liquid to contract canners on behalf of our customers for several years we decided to purchase our own canning line to support them as several were struggling to find contract canners with capacity within the UK and were struggling with issues surrounding Brexit. We purchased an entry level machine and have quickly reached capacity. Due to this we are purchasing a second canning line that will increase our capacity significantly and require automation as a result of the speed of the filling.

Requirement

Blends Flavours & Colours are looking to purchase end of line packaging equipment for a Canned Beverage production line. The requirements are as below:

- Packaging equipment capable of packing into both 'wrap around' boxes and trays with a shrink film
- Both formats must support both 12 packs and 24 packs with limited change parts
- Robotic palletiser capable of palletising the specified packs
- The maximum speed required is 2,100 packs per hour
- The minimum speed required is 500 packs per hour
- Must include sufficient engineering support in the event of a breakdown

Deliverable Timescale

We expect the project to commence no later than 01/03/2022, and to be completed by 31/05/2022.

Evaluation Criteria

Quotations will be assessed and scored on the following criteria:

Cost 20%

Does supplier offer value for money. This will not necessarily be the cheapest quote

Deliverability Within Specified Timescales 30%

Supplier must demonstrate they can deliver the requirement to timescales above

Meeting Specification Details 20%

Supplier must demonstrate all specifications met

Supplier Suitability 30%

Supplier must demonstrate they have the technical capability and experience to deliver the requirement

Scoring Methodology

4 Excellent	Proposal meets, and in some places exceeds the required standard
3 Good	Proposal meets required standard
2 Acceptable	Proposal meets the required standard in most respects, but is lacking or inconsistent in others
1 Poor	Proposal falls short of expected standard
0 Unacceptable	Completely or significantly fails to meet required standard or does not provide the relevant answer

Proposal Format

Proposals should clearly demonstrate how they meet the requirement set out above.

Deadline and Submission

Proposals for consideration are required by: 09:00 **on** 13/12/2021 either electronically or by post to:

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- 1) **This project is part funded by the European Regional Development Fund. Under current Public Procurement Regulations there is no formal tender procedure, but a detailed written quotation is required**

2) Conditions of Tender

Please be aware that due to the relatively low indicative budget for this work (i.e. less than the current OJEU limits) there is no regulatory obligation for us to provide feedback if you are unsuccessful.

We reserve the right to discontinue this tender process at any time and not award a contract.

You will not be entitled to claim from us any costs or expenses which you may incur in preparing and/or submitting your Tender at any stage of this exercises. This applies whether or not your organisation is successful.