



HSE Board Briefing Template

Subject:	National Logistics Solution for Health Protection Products
Recommended Supplier:	JMC Van Trans Ltd
Contract Value¹:	██████████
Term:	36 months (plus optional 24 month extension subject to service need)
Financial Impact:	Saving of ██████████ ██████████ %) over the 3 year term of the contract
All particulars set out in the Contract Approval Document.	
Submitted for meeting on: 26 th July 2024	
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Why is this information being brought to the Boards attention? As the value of this proposed contract exceeds €10 million over the contract lifetime, HSE Procurement is now seeking Board approval as per HSE expenditure guidelines. Confirmation is required from the Board that this expenditure is justified and approved in advance of the proposed contract award.	
Is there an action by the Board required, if so please provide detail? Yes, HSE Procurement is requesting Board approval before execution of the Contract Agreement.	
Please indicate which of the Board's objectives this relates to; Exercising effective budgetary management, including improving the value achieved with existing resources and securing target saving, with the objective of delivering the National Service Plan within Budget.	
Brief summary of link to Board objectives. Meets the requirement for continuation of the national storage and distribution service for PPE, COVID Vaccine and Testing Consumables to all healthcare facilities in Ireland through a centrally operated supply chain. The process followed ensures compliance with all relevant EU Public Procurement rules and HSE National Financial Regulations and delivers value for money and continuation of a quality driven service.	
Background - provide context in order to ensure that the Board fully understand the issue. This contract supports the continuation of the centralised approach for supply of Health Protection Products (eg. PPE, COVID Testing Consumables & COVID Vaccine Consumables) to all healthcare settings in the state. All Hospitals, Community Based Healthcare settings including public and private Nursing Homes, National Ambulance Service, General Practices and multiple other critical healthcare providers will continue to have	

¹ All values are inclusive of VAT at 23%

access to these products via this contract. The new contract will replace a previous 33 month contract (HSE 16560) which expires on 30/09/2024.

The tender was conducted as an Open Procedure with 8 tenders received. The Tender Evaluation Group are recommending award of the contract to JMC VanTrans Ltd. As the recommended Service Provider is the incumbent contractor, the implementation of the new contract will be seamless with little risk to the provision of the daily service during this phase. A Contract Agreement will be executed between the HSE and the recommended Service Provider following Board approval.

The scope of the tender also includes the nationwide collection and preparation of medical products for humanitarian aid. A stay has been placed on the roll out of this service element of the new contract to allow completion of ongoing and planned initiatives. Arrangements for the provision of this service element will be agreed in due course.

Highlight any implications that the Board should be made aware of in its consideration such as:

1. Current status:

The current agreement expires on 30th September 2024.

2. Budget and Resources implications:

██████ (██████%) savings over the term of the contract. No additional resources required to oversee the operation of the contract.

3. Risk Assessment:

Low - as the recommended Service Provider is the incumbent contractor.

4. Legal factors:

Not applicable

Value For Money:

Value for money was benchmarked by comparing spend under the current contract for 2023 against the annual cost tendered by the recommended Service Provider. Service costs are fixed for the term of the contract with transportation costs controlled by an agreed fuel base rate. This award results in an overall saving of €██████ over the term of the contract.

The following service related benefits apply:

- A national approach will ensure consistency of service support, contract performance and management reporting;
- Standardisation of quality, service and pricing across the HSE;
- Increased contract compliance for HSE.

Recommendation

HSE Procurement is recommending the award of this contract to JMC Van Trans Ltd with all particulars set out in the Contract Approval Document.

Following Board approval, HSE Procurement will proceed with execution and implantation of the Contract Agreement.