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Contract

The Provision of Space Surveillance & Tracking Data

UK Space Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02c081

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

UK Space Agency

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Contact

Joe Hobbins

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK14 - Swindon

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-space-agency>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Space

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Provision of Space Surveillance & Tracking Data

Reference number

PS21078 UKSAC21_0014

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72300000 - Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

***** THIS IS AN AWARD NOTICE, NOT A CALL FOR COMPETITION *****

The final date and time for the submission of bids was Monday 2nd August 2021 at 11:00.

Brief Description of the requirement:

The UK Space Agency (UKSA) is an Executive Agency of the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS). It is responsible for UK civil space strategy and provides a clear, single voice for UK space ambitions. At the heart of UK efforts to explore and benefit from space, it is responsible for ensuring that the UK retains and grows its world leading strategic capabilities in space-based systems, technologies, science, services and applications.

The UK Space Agency (UKSA) works with the Ministry of Defence (MOD) to develop our National Space Surveillance and Tracking (SST) capabilities to monitor and warn of hazardous space events. The UKSA and MOD are seeking to enhance the UK's awareness of events in space and further develop the digital, analytical and sensor data needed to grow the UK's domestic space domain awareness (SDA) capabilities.

Accurate data on the position, velocity or trajectory of objects is essential to mitigating the risks from man-made objects in space. UKSA are seeking to procure external SST data from both national and international suppliers to assess the risk of in-orbit collisions and monitor UK licensed spacecraft. The procurement of SST data follows a Prior Information Notice issued by the UK Space Agency in October 2020 to better understand market appetite and capability to supply SST data.

The UKSA are seeking to partner with reliable and proven SST data suppliers, with extensive knowledge of space domain awareness, to procure SST data and assess how supplementary sensor data can be combined with current data sources to improve civil UK SST capability.

The UKSA seeks to procure SST data which is:

- High quality: accurate data on the position, velocity or trajectory of space objects
- Timely: responsive sensor collection to data delivery time.
- Assured: persistent observations and high data availability per object

The procurement is separated across 2 Lots as follows:

- Lot 1: SST data in Deep Space (MEO, GTO, GEO)
- Lot 2: SST data in Low Earth Orbit (LEO)

This contract will end on 31/03/2022 with two options to extend the contract by 6 months each (a further 12 months in total). Latest expiry date 31/03/2023.

Please ensure you review all attached information to ensure a full understanding of this requirement. All attachments can be found with the Document Uploads tab within the Delta eSourcing Portal.

This contract was awarded based on the evaluation criteria as set out in the RFP document.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £1,081,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

SST data in Deep Space (MEO, GTO, GEO)

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34712000 - Spacecraft, satellites and launch vehicles
- 34740000 - Aircraft or spacecraft equipment, trainers, simulators and associated parts
- 72300000 - Data services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The final date and time for bidders to request the RFP documents is Friday 30th July 2021 at 14:00.

The final date and time for the submission of bids is Monday 2nd August 2021 at 11:00.

Contract for routine delivery of positional data (TDMs) on standing tasking list of UK licensed spacecraft and delivery of event-based tracking data in Deep Space (MEO, GTO, GEO).

Please refer to RFP documents for full details of this Lot.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply of SST data and coverage of observations / Weighting: 17.5

Quality criterion - Name: How SST data is supplied (Timeliness) / Weighting: 17.5

Quality criterion - Name: Data supply resilience (Assurance) / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: Wider benefits to the UK / Weighting: 10.5

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Lot 1 Estimated Total Value is not to exceed £332K excluding VAT (maximum of £166K from contract award to 31 Mar 2022 and a further maximum of £166K to be split across two 6 month options from 1 Apr 2022 to 31 Mar 2023, subject to budgetary approval).

II.2.14) Additional information

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All submissions will be assessed in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, for procurement values that exceed Regulation 5 (Threshold amounts).

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ii. to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the procurement; and under no circumstances as part of your organisations participation in this opportunity, will the Contracting Authority be liable for any costs incurred by any organisation as a result. If the Contracting Authority decides to enter into a contract with any successful organisation(s), this does not mean that there is any guarantee of subsequent contracts being awarded. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of your organisation in doing so.

Closing date and time for Bidder to request RFP documents: 30th July 2021 @ 14:00hrs BST

Closing date and time for Bidder to submit their response ('the deadline'): 2nd August 2021 @ 11:00hrs BST

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

SST data in lower earth orbits (LEO)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34712000 - Spacecraft, satellites and launch vehicles
- 34740000 - Aircraft or spacecraft equipment, trainers, simulators and associated parts
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II.2.3) Place of performance

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Quality criterion - Name: Data collection and processing systems (Data Quality) / Weighting: 14

Quality criterion - Name: How SST data is supplied (Timeliness) / Weighting: 17.5

Quality criterion - Name: Data supply resilience (Assurance) / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: Wider benefits to the UK / Weighting: 10.5

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Lot 2 Estimated Total Value is not to exceed £749K excluding VAT (maximum of £333K from contract award to 31 Mar 2022 and a further maximum of £416K to be split across two 6 month options from 1 Apr 2022 to 31 Mar 2023, subject to budgetary approval).

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2021/S 000-014606](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

UKSAC21_0014A

Lot No

1

Title

UKSAC21_0014A Space Surveillance & Tracking Data

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 October 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Numerica Corporation

5042 Technology Parkway, Suite 100, Fort Collins

Larimar

80528

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £297,160

Total value of the contract/lot: £297,160

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

UKSAC21_0014B

Lot No

2

Title

UKSAC21_0014B Space Surveillance & Tracking Data

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

2 December 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Northern Space & Security Limited (NORSS)

5a Linnet Court, Cawledge Business Park, Hawfinch Drive, Alnwick

Northumberland

NE66 2GD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £198,400

Total value of the contract/lot: £198,400

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

UK Space Agency

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