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Contract

Pandemic Resilience, Supply & R&D Agreement for mRNA vaccines

Department of Health and Social Care

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

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Contact

Procurement Operations

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pandemic Resilience, Supply & R&D Agreement for mRNA vaccines

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33651600 - Vaccines

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The contract is to establish UK-based mRNA vaccine development and manufacturing capability to support the UK's preparedness and resilience for future pandemics and health emergencies. The objective of security of supply in such circumstances is to be met by the construction of a mRNA manufacturing facility sited within the UK which will work alongside UK-based fill/finish providers to supply vaccines. In addition, the contract also includes certain commitments for the supplier to invest in R&D in the field of mRNA vaccines and therapeutics within the UK.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £1

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73300000 - Design and execution of research and development
- 33651600 - Vaccines
- 73300000 - Design and execution of research and development

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The contract is to establish UK-based mRNA vaccine development and manufacturing capability to support the UK's preparedness and resilience for future pandemics and health emergencies.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Contract value is being withheld due to commercial sensitivity (Reg 50(6)(b) and (c)). Publication may enable competitors to calculate cost per dose. This will commercially prejudice:

- (i) the supplier in its negotiations with other national governments

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The contract has been awarded under the exclusion in Regulation 15 (Defence and security) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. The contract is for protection of the essential security interests and resilience of future United Kingdom pandemic preparedness. The award follows the Authority's press announcement in June 2022 (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/moderna-to-open-vaccine-research-and-manufacturing-centre-in-uk>) that it had entered into an agreement in principle with Moderna for the strategic partnership. The Authority is not obliged under the UK public procurement regulations to follow a statutory procurement process because Regulation 15(2)(a) (essential security interests of the UK) of the PCR 2015 applies. This notice is therefore being published on a voluntary basis. Nothing in this notice, nor in its publication, implies any intention or gives rise to an obligation to enter into a statutory procurement process under the UK public procurement regulations.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MODERNA BIOTECH UK LIMITED

54 Portland Place, London, W1B 1DY

London

W1B 1DY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

11990046

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: £1

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £1 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>