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Contract

Wafer Scale Engine Processors

University Of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d456

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

University Of Edinburgh

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.ed.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Wafer Scale Engine Processors

Reference number

NCA31089

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 30211100 - Super computer

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Purchase of 4 wafer scale processors and coolant distribution unit. Purchase includes supply of hardware, delivery, installation and 3 years' support, warranty and maintenance from install.

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: 5,246,388 USD

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 30211100 - Super computer

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Purchase of 4 wafer scale processors and a coolant distribution unit. Purchase includes supply of hardware, delivery, installation and 3 years' support, warranty and maintenance from install.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Competition is absent for technical reasons, but only where no reasonable alternative or substitute exists and the absence of competition is not the result of an artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement. The Cerebras Wafer Scale Engine is a unique technology which is designed specifically for the large-scale training problems and inference tasks the University of Edinburgh will utilise this equipment for.

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCA31089

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 December 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cerebras Systems

1237 E. Arques Ave

Sunnyvale

94085

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: 5,246,388 USD

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:786820)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Sheriff Court House, 27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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