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Contract

## **PHE\_Scientific\_Provision of Primestore Transport Media**

Public Health England

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-028eca

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

PHE\_Scientific\_Provision of Primestore Transport Media

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38911000 - Manual swab test kits

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

PHE has awarded a contract to EKF Diagnostics Holding PLC for the provision of Primestore Transport Media in custom tubes to fast track Covid 19 testing.

#### **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: £1,200,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38912000 - Automated swab test kits

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This is a single tender action for the provision of a Primestore Transport Media in custom tubes to fast track Covid 19 testing.

### **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

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## **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

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

The UK Government must protect the health and wellbeing of UK citizens. The COVID-19 outbreak is a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) as declared by the World Health Organisation on 30 January 2020. The WHO Director General characterised COVID-19 as a pandemic on 11 March 2020.

PHE discharges its duties as a Category 1 Responder to emergencies on behalf of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care within the scope of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (CCA 2004).

This urgent requirement is in response to the COVID -19 outbreak. A direct award has been made due to extreme urgency under current public procurement regulations using regulation 32(2)(c) to support reduced testing turnaround times which are critical in the current outbreak and increase capacity for Covid 19 testing.,

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **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**

5 October 2020

#### **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**

EKF Diagnostic Holding PLC

Cardiff

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,200,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Public Health England

61 Colindale Avenue, London, NW9 5EQ

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