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Contract

## **High Capacity Storage System**

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-002643

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b31f

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

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

Scottish Government

Marine Directorate, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Torry

Aberdeen

AB11 9DB

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

High Capacity Storage System

Reference number

CASE/693111

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 30233100 - Computer storage units

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

Supplies

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

The Scottish Ministers invites tenders for the purchase of a high capacity storage system.

The Marine Directorate (MD), a directorate of the Scottish Government, as a whole collects large volumes of data on an annual basis. The data collected serves many of the directorate's needs for evidence to underpin policy development, and to meet statutory or legal requirement of Scottish Government.

### **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: £353,697.54

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 48800000 - Information systems and servers
- 48810000 - Information systems

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Main site or place of performance

Marine Laboratory, Aberdeen and Freshwater Laboratory, Pitlochry.

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

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Some data are managed within dedicated databases, but a substantial amount of the data does not lend itself well to being stored in databases. Data in larger volume formats such as video, images, and acoustic files are stored within a scale-out storage system based at the Aberdeen and Pitlochry sites. This high capacity storage provides protection through site to site replication, as well as disk failover protection that safeguards the investment made in the collection of data.

A new storage system was installed in 2022, delivering increased capacity, bringing the total usable disk space to 430 TB across the directorate (Dell Isilon system). This replaced previous storage technologies that had reached capacity, and introduces ransomware protection to the system as well.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Solution / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery, Installation & Training / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Support & Maintenance / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Staff Competence, Knowledge & Experience / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Management & Quality Assurance / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **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**

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: [2024/S 000-035410](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

CASE/693111

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

9 January 2025

#### **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**

Computacenter (UK) Limited

Hatfield Business Park, Hatfield Avenue

Hatfield

SG18 0FL

Telephone

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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: £353,697.54

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

SPD will be scored on a pass/fail basis.

Question scoring methodology for Award Criteria outlined in Invitation to Tender.

0 - Unacceptable. Nil or inadequate response. Fails to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirement.

1 - Poor. Response is partially relevant but generally poor. The response addresses some elements of the requirement but contains insufficient/limited detail or explanation to demonstrate how the requirement will be fulfilled.

2 - Acceptable. Response is relevant and acceptable. The response addresses a broad understanding of the requirement but may lack details on how the requirement will be fulfilled in certain areas.

3 - Good. Response is relevant and good. The response is sufficiently detailed to demonstrate a good understanding and provides details on how the requirements will be fulfilled.

4 - Excellent. Response is completely relevant and excellent overall. The response is comprehensive, unambiguous and demonstrates a thorough understanding of the requirement and provides details of how the requirement will be met in full.

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help\\_guides.aspx](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx).

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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

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

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