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Contract

## **MSSS (Magnox Swarf Storage Silo) Plant Control System Offline Feasibility Rig**

Sellafield Limited

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-06054e

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

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

Sellafield Limited

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**National registration number**

01002607

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Nuclear Decommissioning

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

MSSS (Magnox Swarf Storage Silo) Plant Control System Offline Feasibility Rig

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

- 38800000 - Industrial process control equipment and remote-control equipment

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

Supplies

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

Supply and deliver an offline test rig replica of the online MSSS (Magnox Swarf Storage Silo)/ABB control system installed in MSSS. The rig will provide the equipment needed to carry out testing to ensure the continued support of the existing control system within MSSS.

#### **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: £184,741

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKD11 - West Cumbria

Main site or place of performance

Sellafield

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

Supply and deliver an offline test rig replica of the existing online MSSS/ABB DAMS PES

system installed in MSSS. The offline engineering system shall be based on 800xA System Version 6.1.1.1 which is a long time support version (LTS).

Scope of Supply Summary:

1. Virtual Server Host
2. Thin Client
3. New suitable AC800M Controller and Ethernet IO interface cards
4. Cabinet
5. All the necessary software and Licences
6. System Engineering
7. Testing

The test rig will enable the existing bespoke control systems applications responsible for running and monitoring of systems and processes within MSSS to be updated offline to the latest supported version of the ABB software which is required as the existing system is now obsolete and no longer supported - further, elements of the hardware are now obsolete and require the newer version of 800xA (6.1) software to operate. The rig will provide the equipment needed to carry out necessary testing to ensure the continued support and operation of the control system within MSSS.

#### **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

- Additional deliveries by the original supplier

Explanation:

The offline feasibility rig is required to be a replica of the existing plant system installed on the MSSS plant - which was supplied originally by ABB Ltd. Therefore, as it is a replica of an existing plant system, competition is absent for technical reasons and can only be provided by the original equipment manufacture. Regulation 32(5)(b) PCR 2015 applies (for additional deliveries by the original supplier which are intended either as a partial replacement of supplies or installations or as the extension of existing supplies or installations where a change of supplier would oblige the contracting authority to acquire supplies having different technical characteristics which would result in incompatibility or disproportionate technical difficulties in operation and maintenance).

#### **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**

12 January 2026

#### **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**

ABB LTD

Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, Cheshire

Daresbury, Warrington, Cheshire

WA4 4BT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

[www.abb.com](http://www.abb.com)

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £184,741

Lowest offer: £184,741 / Highest offer: £184,741 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Sellafield Limited

Hinton House, Birchwood Park Avenue

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WA3 6GR

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United Kingdom

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts Of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Email

[rcj.dco@justice.gov.uk](mailto:rcj.dco@justice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.find-court-tribunal.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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