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Contract

The hire of grounds maintenance vehicles.

Ubico Ltd

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0314e6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK13 - Gloucestershire

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Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The hire of grounds maintenance vehicles.

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 90500000 - Refuse and waste related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Vehicle Hire

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: £275,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90500000 - Refuse and waste related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

Main site or place of performance

Gloucester City

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Ubico is due to take on the Grounds Maintenance Services on behalf of Gloucester City Council on the 1st April 2022.

The detailed requirements for the service could not be confirmed to Ubico in a timely manner, to enable a full procurement exercise to take place.

HSS Hire Service Group Limited, is the plant hire provider for the equipment currently on site and in operation to enable the incumbent service provider to deliver the service on behalf of Gloucester City Council.

Ubico intends to take on the hire of the existing equipment from HSS Hire to enable services to be delivered from day 1 of the contract.

Competition is absent for technical reasons because the staff are trained on the use of the current equipment. There would not be time to procure and safely train staff in the operation of new equipment.

Supply chain lead times on equipment is excessive due to the pandemic. Manufactures procurement lead times are in excess of 26 weeks and up to 50 weeks.

Ubico sought an alternative supplier through its Framework of hire vehicle suppliers but Framework suppliers were not able to meet the requirements.

Ubico and Gloucester City Council are currently in progress of identifying the future service delivery requirements to enable equipment to be purchased to replace the hires.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Regulation 84 applicable

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
- New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services

Explanation:

32.-(1) In the specific cases and circumstances laid down in this regulation, contracting authorities may award public contracts by a negotiated procedure without prior publication.

General grounds

(2) The negotiated procedure without prior publication may be used for public works contracts, public supply contracts and public service contracts in any of the following cases:-

(a) where no tenders, no suitable tenders, no requests to participate or no suitable requests to participate have been submitted in response to an open procedure or a restricted procedure, provided that the initial conditions of the contract are not substantially altered and that a report is sent to the Commission where it so requests;

(b) where the works, supplies or services can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for any of the following reasons:-

(i) the aim of the procurement is the creation or acquisition of a unique work of art or artistic performance,

(ii) competition is absent for technical reasons,

(iii) the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights,

but only, in the case of paragraphs (ii) and (iii), 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;

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

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

9 February 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

HSS HIRE GROUP PLC

Oakland House, Talbot Road, Old Trafford,

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

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: £275,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £275,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ubico Ltd

Cheltenham

Country

United Kingdom