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Contract

## **UKRI-2862 Installation of Fibre to provide Resilient Connectivity to Underground Areas**

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-003700

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03a373

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

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

UKRI-2862 Installation of Fibre to provide Resilient Connectivity to Underground Areas

Reference number

UKRI-2862

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

- 32561000 - Fibre-optic connections

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

Supplies

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

STFC Boulby lab operates at Boulby mine – a working Polyhalite and Salt Mine run by ICL-UK in the North East of England. This optical fibre installation work will install a secondary cable in the main mine shaft and two further cables underground, one attached to the roof of the mine tunnel between the existing laboratory and the new site and the second in a channel in the floor of the mine tunnel between the two locations. This will provide a diverse network with built in redundancy should one cable be damaged.

#### **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: £189,968

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

This project will provide a network connection to a new area of the mine which will allow an increase in experimental opportunity for the laboratory. The project will also include the installation of a replacement fibre down the 1.1km main access shaft at Boulby. This requires the installing contractors to be trained to a level acceptable to ICL-UK to be able to work safely within the shaft.

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The term and conditions relating to this purchase are provided in the Contract, which matches the Contract number cited in the narrative to this Purchase Order and are specific to this Contract. Where the Contract number is not so cited, then our standard terms and conditions will apply which are available at :-

<https://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/Documents/UKRIPOTCs.pdf>

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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

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

Explanation:

The award of the contract without prior publication in the Official Journal of the European Union is lawful, as competition is absent for technical reasons. This particular supplier is the only one who is able to meet all the technical, safety and equipment requirements specified to deliver the contract.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

1 February 2023

#### **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**

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Barnsley

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

06547087

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £189,968

Total value of the contract/lot: £189,968

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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

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