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Contract

Provision of Operating, Maintenance and Management Support Services

Sellafield Limited

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a767

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of Operating, Maintenance and Management Support Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 65410000 - Operation of a power plant

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of Operating, Maintenance and Management Support Services

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: £23,356,377

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 31124000 - Steam-turbine generator and related apparatus
- 42112100 - Steam turbines
- 42112300 - Gas turbines
- 42113100 - Parts of steam turbines
- 42162000 - Steam-generating boilers
- 42163000 - Steam generators

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

Provision of Operating, Maintenance and Management Support Services

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

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Combined Heat and Power Plant (CHP) situated at Fellside focusses on the safety critical function of providing steam to Sellafield site. CHP is an ageing fragile facility near the end of its design life. In or around August 2015 Sellafield undertook a review of current and future site steam requirements, concluding that future steam delivery for site operations would be via two Steam Generation Plants (SGP). Work on the construction of the SGP commenced in July 2015 and were due to be operational by 2021. SGP Project suffered delays resulting in the Operational Date for the SGP being revised to March 2023. CHP operations are required by SL until replacement or renewal of these facilities

following which CHP will be wound down in preparation for decommissioning and demolition. The strategy from CHP to boiler only operations necessitated an extension of the contractual arrangements with the current CHP ops and maintenance provider until the SGP became operational.

This contract award represents the enactment of the optional one year extension to the contract announced in award notice 2021-482650 published on 31st August 2023. In the original notice Sellafield Ltd stated that as a result of the delays in the SGP a new contract with the existing operations and maintenance provider PX Limited had been entered into to safely ensure continued operations of CHP which, given the age of the facility requires ongoing significant care, repair and maintenance.

This contract includes undertaking key activities for plant upgrades to comply with Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU), and provision of care and maintenance of aged and obsolete equipment. It was intended that PX heavily involved in key transitional activities leading to full operations. It was determined that in the circumstances competition to deliver the services was absent for technical reasons and that, pursuant Regulation 32(2)(b)(II) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, Sellafield may award a contract to PX using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in the Find a Tender Service . In particular, based upon assessment of the market ,Sellafield considered that there was no practical alternative to continuing to engage PX to deliver steam and provide care, repair and maintenance services whilst migrating to a new system. Given, in particular, that PX is the only organisation with detailed understanding of CHP and Sellafield's specific technical and operational requirements necessary to ensure safe and effective provision of services. Engaging a substitute provider during a transitional period would have carried very significant operational risks for Sellafield. Since awarding this contract Sellafield Ltd has had a further change in it steam strategy and has terminated the SGP Project. Sellafield intends to bring to the market the opportunity to operate and maintain the CHP.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

22 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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Country

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NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

National registration number

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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: £23,356,377

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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