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Contract

Project 36206 - TSE Rapid Testing Services

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0358e3

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-and-rural-affairs>

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

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Project 36206 - TSE Rapid Testing Services

Reference number

36206

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This requirement is for the provision of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) Rapid Testing of fallen stock cattle, sheep and goats and healthy slaughter sheep and goats on behalf of the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA).

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: £8,413,250

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The APHA currently manage, on behalf of DEFRA and the Welsh Government and Scottish Government, the provision of TSE rapid testing and related services for fallen

cattle and eligible sheep and goats in Great Britain.

The purpose of the Services is to enable the APHA to meet its requirement to provide TSE Rapid Testing in line with Chapter C, Annex X of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, as amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No 1148/2014, which still applies since the UK's exit from the EU.

The successful contractor is required to hold and maintain TSE Test accreditation (in accordance with international standard EN ISO/IEC 17025) throughout the life of the contract.

The Authority is appointing a contractor to provide TSE Rapid Testing Services for a five (5) year period (three (3) year initial term, starting on 01/10/2023, with allowable extension of up to twenty-four (24) months).

(Note that the value shown on this notice is approximate and covers the full 5-year period.)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Title

Project 36206 - TSE Rapid Testing Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 February 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eurofins Forensic Services Limited

i54 Business Park, Valiant Way,

Wolverhampton

WV9 5GB

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: £8,413,250

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Defra Group Commercial

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