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Contract

## **Corporate Wide Area Network for AGCSU**

NHS Arden & GEM CSU

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKF - East Midlands (England)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/>

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

Other type

Healthcare - NHS

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Corporate Wide Area Network for AGCSU

Reference number

AGEMCSU/TRANS/20/913

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72720000 - Wide area network services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

A Wide Area Network (WAN) connecting NHS AGEM CSU corporate sites & Data Centres.

#### **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: £812,000.01

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

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

A Wide Area Network (WAN) connecting NHS AGEM CSU corporate sites & Data Centres, consisting of 31 circuits across 17 site locations.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: 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

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

Explanation:

Technical aspects; interoperability and economic reasons made competitively tendering for only part of the WAN an unrealistic option.

Unnecessary duplication of equipment, circuits and technical resource costs in the order of between £150k to £200k to achieve a workable technical solution of a split provider WAN network, meant that this was not a value for money (VfM) proposition and service/issue/escalation management of two suppliers would also be an added risk.

The CSU having assessed technical reasons, economic reasons (VfM) and compliance aspects considered that the only reasonable course of action was to direct award expiring circuits within its current WAN estates so as to co-term with other in-contract circuits by 31st March 2024. This will enable the CSU to tender for all WAN services in their entirety during 2023 and mobilise before March 2024 contract end date.

#### **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 2021

#### **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**

Virgin Media Business Limited

Reading

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF - East Midlands (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: £812,000.01

Total value of the contract/lot: £812,000.01

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

NHS Arden & GEM CSU

Derby

Country

United Kingdom