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Award

Contract for the capital funding, installation and maintenance of an IT data centre as part of a renewable energy project at RUH

Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust

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Region code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Contract for the capital funding, installation and maintenance of an IT data centre as part of a renewable energy project at RUH

Reference number

R/15215/COMM/BB/0225

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Contract for the capital funding, installation and maintenance of an IT data centre as part of a renewable energy project at RUH. Objective to capture excess generated heat and return to the RUH ecosystem

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: £268,160

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Main site or place of performance

Royal United Hospital Bath NHS Foundation Trust,

Combe Park,
Bath,
BA1 3NG

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Contract for the capital funding, installation and maintenance of an IT data centre as part of a renewable energy project at RUH. Objective to capture excess generated heat and return to the RUH ecosystem. The award will be via a direct award to Deep Green Energy and will have no option to extend.

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:

Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust (referred to as RUH) intends to award a contract under regulation 32(2)(b)(ii), to Deep Green Energy (referred to as Deep Green) for the installation of a data centre with a peak IT load of 800kw. The objective for the RUH is to harness heat generated by the data centre and return it to the RUH ecosystem, making substantial savings in terms of cost and energy.

Deep Green is supported by Octopus Energy Generation and has been backed by £200 million of capital funding to develop data centres in suitable facilities.

Deep Green propose to install a modern data centre where IT infrastructure has a high cooling demand and thus generates 'waste heat'. This heat would be captured and piped directly into the RUH heat network.

In return for a twenty-year lease arrangement Green Heat would fund, install, maintain and manage the delivery of the data centre, resulting in the described heat generation. This would also include the funding of an electrical connection from the Distribution Network Operator (DNO).

The award of this contract would result in the following benefits:

- 1) The installation of a modern data centre which generates heat that can be pumped back into the RUH heat system.
- 2) The achievement of key RUH targets relating to sustainability, including an annual carbon saving of 548tCO₂e.
- 3) A significant saving in annual energy costs.
- 4) Provide the RUH with the ability to introduce a modern technology using renewable energy initiatives, without capital or revenue outlay by the Trust. Not awarding this contract would result in a loss of funding to the Trust and a missed opportunity for fully funded heat decarbonisation.

RUH has reviewed the benefits outlined above and Deep Green's niche position in this market and have assessed that awarding this contract enables the Trust to satisfy an optimal combination of commercial, sustainability and social value targets.

RUH will observe a 10-day standstill from the date of this notice before entering into a contract with Deep Green Energy.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Deep Green Energy

24a Sydenham Road, London, England,

London

SE26 5QW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

National registration number

14118946

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £268,160

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £268,160

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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