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Tender

National Offshore Anemometry Hub (NOAH) Operation & Maintenance Services

Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.ore.catapult.org.uk>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Compliance with grant funding agreement

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and Development

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

National Offshore Anemometry Hub (NOAH) Operation & Maintenance Services

Reference number

DN746542

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This tender is being issued by the Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult ('ORE Catapult') as a competitive procurement exercise in accordance with the 'Competitive Procedure with Negotiation' for tendering under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended from time to time).

ORE Catapult are seeking a Contractor who can be proactive and recognise potential serial problems, investigate the issue(s), propose viable solutions and communicate with the ORE Catapult Authorised Representative timeously throughout the whole process. You must be excellent at troubleshooting and have the ability/capability to identify problems that will help keep maintenance costs down and availability of the NOAH up. Estimated value for 3+2+5 to include NOAH and other assets £15m.

ORE Catapult reserve the right to add additional requirements to the minimum Scope of the Works during the Contract life, as it is deemed appropriate within the Scope of the Works. Accordingly, ORE Catapult intends to award a single contract for the requirement. Phases of the procurement process:

Stage 1 Issue Invitation to Participate

Tenderers shall be required to submit an initial ITP submission which shall be the basis for any subsequent negotiations.

Stage 2 Draft ITP Submission

Tenderers shall be required to submit tenders, including preliminary design, in accordance

with the details / instructions set out in the ITP.

Stage 3 Negotiations

ORE Catapult reserve the right to carry out the Competitive procedures with Negotiation in successive stages in order to reduce the number of tenders to be negotiated.

ORE Catapult also reserve the right to award a Contract on the basis of the initial tender without entering into negotiation where it is in their best interest to do so.

ORE Catapult will inform remaining Tenderers of the common deadline to submit new or revised tenders.

Stage 4 Final Tender submission (BAFO)

ORE Catapult verify final tenders to ensure they conform to minimum requirements and evaluate on the basis of the published award criteria in the Invitation to Participate.

Stage 5 Contract Award / Mandatory Standstill period observed.

Successful Tenderer(s) notified in writing.

Unsuccessful Tenderer(s) notified in writing and feedback provided.

ORE Catapult delivery team to support Contractor through Pre-Mobilisation Planning

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £15,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34514800 - Offshore platforms

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 September 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial terms shall be for a period of three (3) years with the option to extend for up to a further two (2) years. ORE Catapult reserve the option to extend year on year thereafter, for up to a further period of five (5) years, subject to funding being made available to ORE Catapult as well as the satisfactory performance of the Contract.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

24 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: The initial terms shall be for a period of three (3) years with the option to extend for up to a further two (2) years. ORE Catapult reserve the option to extend year on year thereafter, for up to a further period of five (5) years, subject to funding being made available to ORE Catapult as well as the satisfactory performance of the Contract.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In the first instance, all appeals should be promptly brought to the attention of the contact specified in Section I above, and will be dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Any appeals must be brought within the timescales specified by the applicable law, including without limitation, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. In accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the contracting authority will also incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period from the date information on award of contract is communicated to tenderers.

As the UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions, any challenges will be dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.