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Contract

UK Space Agency call off contract for independent technical space services

UK SPACE AGENCY

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

UK SPACE AGENCY

Polaris House, North Star Avenue

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SN21SZ

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-space-agency>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Space

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UK Space Agency call off contract for independent technical space services

Reference number

UKSAC20_0020

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71621000 - Technical analysis or consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

UK Space Agency call off contract for independent technical space services, insight and data from Aerospace Corporation (Federally Funded Research & Development Centre (FFDRC)).

This contract is a call off arrangement with a not to exceed value of £3M for the initial period from Mar 2021 to Mar 2022.

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: £3,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
 - QB56 - On space industry sector
 - RC01 - In aerospace technology

- RC02 - In space technology

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- US - United States

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This is a UK Space Agency call off contract for independent technical space services, insight and data from Aerospace Corporation that has been established to enable the UKSA to leverage data, analysis and additional insight and opportunities from Aerospace's unique relationship with the US government and Department of Defence.

The services provided may include:

- Technical Assurance
- Requirements Analysis
- Independent analysis and provision of data and insight to inform policy and interventions

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract is a call off arrangement with a not to exceed value of £3M for the initial period from Mar 2021 to Mar 2022.

The contract includes three one year optional extension periods with a not to exceed limit of £2M per annum until 31 Mar 2025.

The potential total contract value if all option periods are exercised is £9M

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:

Aerospace's unique position as a Federally Funded Development and Research Centre (FFDRC) and their unique relationship with the US Government means they have access to non-commercially available data and technical expertise and are therefore prohibited from competing for work.

The applicable exemption regulation for this contract is PCR 2015 Regulation 32 Section 2 (b) (ii) 'competition is absent for technical reasons' as there is 'no reasonable alternative or substitute that exists and the absence of competition is not the result of an artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement'.

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

3 March 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

Aerospace Corporation UK Limited

Aerospace Corporation UK Limited Middle Yard Berwick St Leonard

Salisbury

SP3 5SN

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)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £3,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom