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## OT (Operational Technology) Asset Discovery

Wales And West Utilities

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### Section I: Contracting authority/entity

#### I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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**I.6) Main activity**

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

OT (Operational Technology) Asset Discovery

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72212730 - Security software development services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

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**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 48730000 - Security software package
- 79700000 - Investigation and security services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales

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

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

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting entity

Explanation:

WWU are required to meet the CAF Basic Profile by December 2023 and delivery of this tool is part of our strategy to deliver this CAF objective. Due to this regulatory requirement, and the tight timeframes mandated by Ofgem, WWU intends to award this contract to Claroty for 3 years.

#### **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/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 March 2023

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Wales & West Utilities Ltd

Newport

Country

United Kingdom