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Award

Oracle Database Administration Services

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00292

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Oracle Database Administration Services

Reference number

COPFS-2019-021

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72250000 - System and support 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.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £189,750

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72320000 - Database services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Main site or place of performance

Glasgow

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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:

Under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 33(b)(ii) competition is absent for technical reasons as follows:

COPFS has lost experienced members of its Database Team over recent months and is in the process of recruiting appropriately skilled technical staff. Issues have been encountered in attracting and recruiting experienced replacements. Some replacement staff are expected to be in post over coming months, with further vacant posts being re-advertised and alternative recruitment approaches considered. This has dramatically increased COPFS reliance on 3rd party services during the interim period as new staff members will not have the required knowledge and skills until knowledge transfer and training is completed over the next 12 to 18 months. This is because of an ambitious plan to migrate the current Database Environment and Infrastructure to a modern, flexible system, capable of supporting COPFS Case Management Systems for the foreseeable future. The need for this migration has arisen due to the age of the current infrastructure and the recent software changes by Oracle. The newly formed Database Team will assume responsibility for both the ongoing support of the database environment and will eventually lead on migration projects. However, in the interim period, COPFS require a 3rd party service to be provided. In addition to carrying out complex technical work for key projects and the database migration, the 3rd party will provide knowledge transfer, support the transition of new team members and produce detailed systems documentation for existing case management systems, activities requiring bespoke and detailed technical understanding of COPFS FOS, PROMIS and other case management systems. It is crucial for success and to ensure continuity that the 3rd party service is supplied by an organisation that has the required in-depth knowledge of COPFS environment and infrastructure as well as extensive experience and up to date qualifications and skills in Oracle DBA.

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/concession

Contract No

COPFS-2019-021

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 April 2021

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

Applications DBA Ltd

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Bearsden

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £189,750

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:650853)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sheriff Clerk's Office

PO Box 23, 1 Carlton Place

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United Kingdom