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Contract

2023-686 LIDAR Digital Topographic Scanning of Farms in GB

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Middlemarch Business Park

Coventry

CV3 4SU

Contact

Procurement

Email

procurement@ahdb.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/agriculture-and-horticulture-development-board>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Agriculture

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

2023-686 LIDAR Digital Topographic Scanning of Farms in GB

Reference number

C32921

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

For this tender, AHDB are seeking partner/s to provide LIDAR scanning services to inform the assessment of above ground biomass and carbon, and hydrological run-off risk for between 120 and 200 farms across Great Britain. Farm recruitment for participation in this project is currently underway hence exact numbers of farms and their location cannot be confirmed at this stage. Most farms will be mixed farms with two or more enterprise types. Uncropped land such as woodland will also be included.

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: £375,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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To provide flexibility, this work has been divided into three regional blocks, each provisionally comprising between 40 and 70 farms.

The LIDAR dataset should cover all the farms identified as participating in the project. Details for two LIDAR resolutions is requested, 16 and 40 ppm, both with three or more returns. LIDAR acquisition must be carried out under leaf off conditions. It will be delivered formatted as a digital terrain model, a digital surface model, canopy height model, fully classified LAS file format and a RGB ortho mosaic in geotiff format.

The above service is part of the project's overall requirement to measure, report and verify (MRV) the changes in carbon stocks within and across farms and provide farmers with information that can help them deliver better environmental services, whilst optimizing production efficiency.

The final award will be for one resolution and the area scanned per farm will vary dependent on farm size and other factors. Tenderers may bid to scan farms in one or more regional blocks.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 75

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 25

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

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-015893](#)

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

5 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 22

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 22

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Bluesky International Limited

The Station, Station Road, Ashby de la Zouch

Ashby De La Zouch

LE65 2AS

Telephone

+44 01530518518

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- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

4789469

Internet address

www.bluesky-world.com

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £460,000

Lowest offer: £460,000 / Highest offer: £460,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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