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Contract

## **OT (Operational Technology) Asset Discovery**

Wales & West Utilities

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b325

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Internet address(es)**

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)**

- 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**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- 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 tight timeframe, it did allow for a thorough process to be run.

#### **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**

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## **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**

21 April 2023

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Wales & West Utilities

Newport

Country

United Kingdom