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Contract

Forecasters and services to facilitate the BAS Air and Field

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

<https://www.ukri.org>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and innovation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Forecasters and services to facilitate the BAS Air and Field

Reference number

UKRI-3888

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72212120 - Flight control software development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Forecasters and services to facilitate the BAS Air and Field

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: £210,361.48

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Main site or place of performance

Cambridgeshire CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

forecasters and services to facilitate the BAS Air and Field

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

•The Met Office is the Government recognised body for facilitating forecasting services and support similar organisations in remote and extreme weather locations such as British overseas territories including Ascension Islands, Saint Helena and the Falkland Islands. Many of these locations are remote and have similar local weather challenges and requirement for forecasts as Rothera. •The systems used for forecasting from Rothera Research station in support of the BAS flying and field campaigns and seasons are supported by Met office software and Met Office provisioned global weathermodels that include detailed modelling for Antarctica, increasing resilience and safety. •The Met office facilitates forecasters and forecasting services for other Government departments including the Ministry of Defence. The Met office is contracted to support the MOD at the Falklands based military Station in Mount Pleasant Airport, where there are synergistic weather environments to Rothera and similarities in dynamic and changing weather as well as an emphasis on constant review of conditions to allow for utilisation of manageable weather windows.

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

Contract No

UKRI-3888

Title

forecasters and services to facilitate the BAS Air and Field

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 March 2024

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

Met Office

Alexandria 1

Exeter

EX1 3PB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

National registration number

N/A

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: £210,361.48

Total value of the contract/lot: £210,361.48

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Procurement Contract Transparency Data: Redacted contract documents will be made available within the next 30 days on the UKRI website at: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/procurement-contract-transparency-data/>

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<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/delta/viewNotice.html?noticeId=855967829>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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