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Contract

Transcription Services for Public Inquiries (2 Lots) – Lot 2 - Transcription Services for Sheku Bayoh Inquiry

Scottish Government

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-013763

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02bbaa

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Transcription Services for Public Inquiries (2 Lots) – Lot 2 - Transcription Services for Sheku Bayoh Inquiry

Reference number

CASE/563486

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75231100 - Law-courts-related administrative services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Transcription Services for Sheku Bayoh Inquiry

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32321300 - Audio-visual materials
- 79540000 - Interpretation services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Real-time legal transcription services on behalf of the Sheku Bayoh Inquiry.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

24

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

665302

Lot No

2

Title

Transcription Services for Sheku Bayoh Inquiry

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

26 August 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Opus 2 International

5 New Street Square

London

EC4A 3BF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £397,500

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:763074)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH11LB

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 75231100 - Law-courts-related administrative services

VII.1.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32321300 - Audio-visual materials
- 79540000 - Interpretation services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

Real-time legal transcription services on behalf of the Sheku Bayoh Inquiry.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

31 March 2022

End date

31 March 2025

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£589,500

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Opus 2 International

5 New Street Square

London

EC4A 3BF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The contract "Transcription Services for Public Inquiries - the Sheku Bayoh Public Inquiry" (CASE 563486) has been modified under Regulation 72(1)(b) of the 2015 Regulations. The modification has extended the contract for the period 1 April 2024-31 March 2025 and increased the maximum contract value by a maximum of GBP 192, 000 (excl. VAT). This contract was established as Lot 2 of "Transcription Services for Public Inquiries (2 Lots)" (CASE 559302).

For clarity, the full duration of the contract after this modification is 36 months and its total maximum value is GBP 589,500 (excl. VAT).

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

Additional works had become necessary to support the activities of the Sheku Bayoh Public Inquiry and complete the hearing phase of the Inquiry. A change of contractor would have seriously jeopardised the remaining hearing schedule of the Inquiry. The existing contractor is fully integrated with the separate broadcasting contractor to deliver the public hearings, meeting the accessibility obligation on the Inquiry. There are virtual private networks set up and operational allowing the stenographer stable and reliable access to the live hearing, and back-up arrangements are in place. Changing contractor at this point would have potentially resulted in the loss of over two years of legal analysis needed to conclude the evidential hearings. Even if a like for like system was available, resource and cost of training users and implementation would have likely delayed the planned hearing schedule, and the overall duration and cost implications would have been significant.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £397,500

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £589,500