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Award

Student Agreement for Study of smouldering combustion in timber

International Nuclear Services Limited

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Scope

Reference

C29774

Description

PHD student support to carry out a study of smouldering combustion in timber connected with our Haleu Programme. R&D testing -knowledge building

Contract 1. Student Research Agreement for Study of

smouldering combustion in timber

Supplier

- University of Edinburgh

Contract value

- £126,000 excluding VAT
- £151,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 September 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73110000 - Research services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Prototypes and development

This Direct Award justification is selected on the basis that this is novel research. It is contributing to the research and development against a nuclear package, as this research will feed into the early stages of the shock absorber smouldering rates.

NTS intend to observe an 8 day voluntary standstill ending 25th Feb

Supplier

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Region: UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

International Nuclear Services Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMQD-6637-QWGT

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government