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Award

Liquid Carbon Dioxide Supply Contract for the Birmingham Institute of Forest Research (BIFoR)

University of Birmingham

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Liquid Carbon Dioxide Supply Contract for the Birmingham Institute of Forest Research (BIFoR)

Reference number

FRAM547/22

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 24112100 - Carbon dioxide

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Supply of bulk liquid CO₂ on a 5 year contract basis with an exit clause after 1 year. Ability to fix a competitive price for the first year essential. Need to be able to guarantee supply of between 4,000 and 8,000 tonnes per annum in the differing monthly supply volumes required by the project.

Quotations sought from partners able to supply on the basis above including a fixed price for Year 1 and the ability to exit the contract at end of first year if the University wishes to, resulted in only the selected supplier being able to meet our requirement. This was also affordable against the BIFoR budgetary constraints.

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: £15,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 - Birmingham

Main site or place of performance

The facility is located on private land in Staffordshire (about a 1-hour drive from the main University).

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality and Ability to Deliver / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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Clear requests for compliant quotations made to all parties able to supply the required volumes with the additional contractual requirements resulted in only one compliant bid.

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

FRAM547/22

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 May 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Nippon Gases UK Limited

Immingham

DN40 2NT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE13 - North and North East Lincolnshire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £15,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £15,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Financial Value based on expected maximum volumes for full term of contract. These may be called off on a framework agreement call off basis

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Queries must be lodged with p.markham@bham.ac.uk within the 10 day standstill period