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Contract

## **DN709839 - The Supply of Meteorological Balloons and Parachutes**

Met Office

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-015525

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0437ac

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Region code**

UKK4 - Devon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Meteorological Office

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

DN709839 - The Supply of Meteorological Balloons and Parachutes

Reference number

DN709839

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38120000 - Meteorological instruments

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

## Supplies

### **II.1.4) Short description**

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This tender is for the supply of meteorological balloons and parachutes and would need to satisfy one or more of the product lots.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Lowest offer: £850,000 / Highest offer: £900,000 taken into consideration

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38100000 - Navigational and meteorological instruments

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- JP - Japan

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Meteorological weather balloons and parachutes suitable for use with helium and hydrogen

lifting gases, and Vaisala RS41-SG radiosondes, including the use of additional heavier ozone

sensing payloads at one site.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Compliance to technical specification requirements / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental impact & compliance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Value for money on overall costs / Weighting: 30

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38100000 - Navigational and meteorological instruments

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Meteorological weather balloons with integrated parachutes suitable for use with helium and hydrogen lifting gases, Vaisala RS41-SG radiosondes and the Vaisala AS41 Autosonde. This includes the following requirements to ensure compatibility with the AS41 system:

- a. Inclusion of a parachute inside the balloon, suitable for use with a 150g payload,

attaining a minimum altitude of 30 hPa

b. Maximum inflated diameter and height of 1.8 m

c. Balloon neck diameter of 3 cm

d. Balloon neck length of 12 cm

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Compliance to technical specification requirements / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental impact & compliance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Value for money on overall costs / Weighting: 30

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **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**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-003937](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

DN709839

### **Lot No**

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

18 April 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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NUTS code

- JP - Japan

Internet address

[https://totex.info/top\\_e.html](https://totex.info/top_e.html)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £850,000 / Highest offer: £900,000 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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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