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Contract

CEFAS25-48 Contract for provision of Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) flights for Hinkley Point C

Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science

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Scope

Description

The BEEMS (British EDF Estuarine and Marine Studies) programme is funded by NNB Generation Company (HPC) Limited. Through this programme, Cefas provide authoritative scientific information on the marine and transitional waters in the vicinity of potential new build nuclear power stations.

Cefas require a supplier to conduct intertidal Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) flights, in accordance with the civil Aviation Authority (CAA) guidelines, to monitor potential coastal change and intertidal algal coverage for the Hinkley Point C (HPC) Nuclear New Build project to meet regulatory environmental monitoring requirements.

RPA flights and photography are required: (1) along the Hinkley Point foreshore, and; (2) at Comwich Wharf and the surrounding banks of the River Parrett. Flight/survey design and equipment specification must be sufficient for Cefas to create orthophotos (OPs) and Digital Surface Models (DSMs) with a Ground Sampling Distance (GSD, i.e. resolution) of 3cm/pixel or better (exceptions noted in Appendix 4 - Specification of Requirements).

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Supplier

- Marine Science Support Ltd

Contract value

- £52,682.29 excluding VAT
- £63,218.75 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

19 February 2025

Contract dates

- 20 February 2025 to 31 May 2025
- Possible extension to 30 September 2025
- 7 months, 9 days

Description of possible extension:

Extension option up to 30 September 2025, on a monthly basis. Extension option provides for additional costs for each survey required each month.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79311000 - Survey services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

Marine Science Support Ltd

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Region: UKK43 - Devon CC

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government