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## **Lincs, Northants and East Anglia: Groundwater Models Asset System Maintenance**

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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**11 July 2024, 3:00pm**

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

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

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street

London

SW1P 4DF

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#### **Email**

[DGCEnquiries@defra.gov.uk](mailto:DGCEnquiries@defra.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Lincs, Northants and East Anglia: Groundwater Models Asset System Maintenance

Reference number

C23743

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

This Consultancy will follow a programme of work aimed at refining, maintaining, and supporting the operational use of the Anglian Models. It will also develop training packages to allow technical staff to interact with the groundwater models and use the model results effectively.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £0.01

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The Consultancy will follow a programme of work aimed at refining, maintaining, and supporting the operational use of the Anglian Models. The programme of work is set out in the Scope of Work below. A maximum price for the four-year programme of work will be established through the tendering process.

It is intended that the four-year programme is followed but this will be subject to the resources available through annual budget allocation plus gaining project approval within the Environment Agency. The Environment Agency is not therefore committing itself to the programme, which will need to be refined at the outset of a new financial year. The Environment Agency also reserves the right to tender any item of work within the scope via an alternative procurement route.

The Environment Agency will establish a GMASM Consultancy Operational Board (the 'Board'). The Board will be led by the Environment Agency GMASM Consultancy Director, together with the Environment Agency Consultancy Manager. The Consultant will nominate similar representatives from the Consultant's side. The Board will meet to discuss progress with the annual programme of work, performance and the anticipated programme of work for the forthcoming year. The Consultant will provide accurate pricing for the anticipated programme of work in advance of the start of the next year of the contract.

Note that part of the work of the Consultancy might be to help with the preparation of business case submissions to support Environment Agency staff with seeking project approval.

The contract is intended for use across the East Anglia and Lincolnshire & Northamptonshire operating areas (the 'Contract Area'). The successful consultant (the 'Consultant') may be asked to take on work arising outside of the Contract Area but in order to protect the value of the contract for East Anglia and Lincolnshire & Northamptonshire areas, there will be a presumption against allowing work outside of these operating areas.

Objectives

The project has an overarching aim:

To maintain the Anglian groundwater models, keeping them updated and ready for operational use, and to support the application of the models to Environment Agency business areas.

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

Price

## **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £0.01

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

Start date

1 September 2024

End date

31 August 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

No

## **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

## **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.2.14) Additional information**

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Any questions, requests to participate or tender submissions must be submitted electronically via this portal.

If you need technical help with the Atamis system, either when registering, or when completing a tender, please contact the Atamis support team e-mail [Support@Atamis.co.uk](mailto:Support@Atamis.co.uk) or phone Tel: 029 2279 0052.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

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**IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

**IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 5 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

6 June 2024

Local time

6:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A



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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

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