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Award

The Provision of Regulatory Support in Analysis of Irradiated Graphite Brick Cracking and Weight Loss in AGR Cores to Provide the Basis for Effective, Independent Regulatory Challenge

OFFICE FOR NUCLEAR REGULATION

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Nuclear Regulation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

ONR931

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

The work will provide front line regulatory support to ONR on the subject of nuclear graphite core brick cracking in AGRs. The scope of the contract addresses ONR's need to access independent experts who can consider the basis of the licensee's safety case claims and test them by applying independent scientific and mathematical reasoning.

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: £800,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Proposed award of contract via single tender negotiation with a service provider without a call for competition.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Proposed 2 year contract with an option to extend for a further 4 years in annual increments, subject to agreement of both parties. i.e 2+1+1+1+1. The potential total contract duration is therefore 6 years

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:

Using Regulation 32 (2) (b) (ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, ONR propose to offer a contract in the belief that no reasonable alternative or substitutive exists.

The proposed Service Provider has the unique expertise and independence required to fulfill the complete scope of service requirements in the absence of any credible competition in the marketplace.

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

ONR931

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 June 2023

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

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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: £800,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £800,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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