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Contract

# T23/0048 - ALIGN Laser CubeSat UKSA NSIP Phase 3

University of Northumbria at Newcastle

F03: Contract award notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Newcastle upon Tyne

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**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKC - North East (England)

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.northumbria.ac.uk

## 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

T23/0048 - ALIGN Laser CubeSat UKSA NSIP Phase 3

Reference number

T23/0048

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 34712200 - Satellites

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

### II.1.4) Short description

The University is completing the build of three 6U CubeSats as part of a technology demonstration mission funded by the UK Space Agency. This mission will see the launch

of two 6U CubeSats into a sun-synchronous Low Earth Orbit (expected 450 km altitude) in 2026/7. The third 6U CubeSat is our reference model. The payload being developed for assembly integration and testing within the 6U CubeSat bus is a 2U laser communications terminal. The mission goal will be to demonstrate inter-satellite laser optical communications across a range of link lengths up to 1000 km and at least 1 Gbps data transfer rates between the 6U CubeSats. There will be a requirement for a number of ground-passes for frequent data downlink of the experimental results log files and the mission is anticipated to last for 1 year, including a deorbit final stage.

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £466,433

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

**CubeSat Parts** 

Lot No

One

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

- 35631200 Observation satellites
- 35631300 Navigation satellites
- 60510000 Satellite launch services
- 32530000 Satellite-related communications equipment
- 32531000 Satellite communications equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKC - North East (England)

Main site or place of performance

#### NORTH EAST (ENGLAND)

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

#### 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

UK-Newcastle upon Tyne: Satellites

Lot No

two

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

• 32531000 - Satellite communications equipment

- 32533000 Satellite earth stations
- 32534000 Satellite platforms
- 34712200 Satellites
- 35631200 Observation satellites

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKC - North East (England)

Main site or place of performance

NORTH EAST (ENGLAND)

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

#### 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

## 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2023/S 000-032611</u>

## Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

T23-0048

#### **Title**

T23/0048 - ALIGN Laser CubeSat UKSA NSIP Phase 3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

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

26 May 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

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

**EnduroSat Trading LTD** 

1A Flora Str.,

Sofia

1404

Country

Bulgaria

**NUTS** code

• BG4 - South-West and South-Central Bulgaria

National registration number

N/A

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £533,100

Total value of the contract/lot: £466,433

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.3) Additional information

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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