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Tender

Independent Monitoring of Radioactivity in Effluent Samples

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT FOOD & RURAL AFFAIRS

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

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Main address

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

I.3) Communication

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

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Independent Monitoring of Radioactivity in Effluent Samples

Reference number

36444

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 90520000 - Radioactive-, toxic-, medical- and hazardous waste services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In support of its regulatory role under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 (EPR 16), the Environment Agency carries out a programme of independent analysis of radioactive effluents from industrial premises (mainly nuclear licensed sites) in England and Wales. The programme is mainly focused on liquid effluent discharges, although there is a smaller amount of work associated with gaseous effluent discharges. This programme is managed by the Environment Agency's Reactor Assessment and Radiological Monitoring Team and the results are used in comparison with Operator data to ensure analytical standards are maintained.

The overall objective of the Independent Effluent Monitoring Programme is as follows:

To provide assurance, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the major discharges of liquid radioactive effluent to inland and coastal waters and sewers, which are declared by operators, are a true measure of the actual discharges within the 95% confidence limits of the sampling and analytical error.

Nuclear sites which are authorised by the Environment Agency under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 (EPR 16) to discharge radioactive effluents (liquids and gaseous) are subject to requirements to carry out their own programme of self-monitoring as stipulated by the Environment Agency under the terms of their permit. In order to provide assurances that operator self-monitoring arrangements are satisfactory, the Environment Agency carries out (via Contractors) a certain amount of independent check monitoring.

The Independent Effluent Monitoring Programme includes a schedule of effluent samples and analyses/determinands for each nuclear site. These schedules match with (or are a sub-set of) the sampling/analytical schedules carried out by the operator as part of their self-monitoring programmes.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

102

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: Yes

Description of options

2 2 option years

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

Date

8 September 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

Tender must be valid until: 1 November 2022

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

9 September 2022

Local time

9:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom