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Development of hydrogen enabling standards, competence frameworks and training specifications

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS)

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Development of hydrogen enabling standards, competence frameworks and training specifications

Reference number

TRN: 5153/06/2021

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 76100000 - Professional services for the gas industry

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) intends to appoint a consortium led by Energy & Utility Skills (EUS) in collaboration with the Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers (IGEM) to develop a suite of hydrogen gas enabling standards and associated competence frameworks and training specifications for use in domestic and non-domestic / light commercial hydrogen gas installations.

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: £746,262

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 39341000 Gas pressure equipment
- 39721410 Gas appliances
- 76000000 Services related to the oil and gas industry

• 24111600 - Hydrogen

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

BEIS requires the EUS-led consortium to develop a suite of hydrogen gas enabling standards and associated competence frameworks and training specifications for use in domestic and non-domestic / light commercial hydrogen gas installations. IGEM will provide the technical support to assess hydrogen research and evidence gaps to update the IGEM Hydrogen Reference Standard (IGEM/H/1), and create Hydrogen Enabling Standards for domestic (IGEM/H/2) and non-domestic (IGEM/H/3) scenarios. EUS will develop a Hydrogen Competence Framework and Training Specification aligned to the Enabling Standards developed by IGEM.

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations (GS(I&U)R 1998) require all operatives working with all gases listed under the Gas Act 1986 (except those working in factories and with hydrogen in a non-domestic settings) to be Gas Safe registered.

Energy & Utility Skills (EUS), is the only Gas Standard Setting Body (SSB), an established structure in the gas industry that delivers the Matters of Gas Safety criteria and sets the competence and training requirements for engineer registration with Gas Safe Register. They are the Sector Skills Council responsible for National Occupational Standards (NOS), qualifications and apprenticeship frameworks for gas (upstream and downstream), power, waste and water industries. As the only organisation appointed by Gas Safe, they are the only organisation able to complete the competence framework and training specifications.

The Institution of Gas Engineers & Managers (IGEM), as the professional gas engineering body will create a hydrogen domestic/light commercial enabling standard and a non-domestic equivalent standard. IGEM is recognised as a Gas Engineering professional body, licensed by Royal Academy of Engineering and no other body can update the Hydrogen Reference Standard and codify domestic and non-domestic Hydrogen Enabling standards.

No other economic operator can provide the service of setting standards in this area, with the specific property of universally recognised and accessible record of an approach that represents good business practice.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 August 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Energy & Utility Skills Group

Friars Gate, 1011 Stratford Road, Shirley

Solihull

B90 4BN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

03812163

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

The Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers

IGEM House, 26 & 28 High Street, Kegworth

Derby

DE74 2DA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

RC000265

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £746,262

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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