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Contract

Test Engine and Test Content Management (TETCM) System - Modification

Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0516e1

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency

1 Unity Square

Nottingham

NG2 1AY

Email

commercial.theory.test@dvs.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/driver-and-vehicle-standards-agency>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Test Engine and Test Content Management (TETCM) System - Modification

Reference number

K280020853

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (“DVSA” or ‘the Authority’) entered into an agreement with Pearson Professional Assessments Limited (“TETCM Agreement”) for the provision of services.

The TETCM Agreement is responsible for providing a Supplier Software Solution that will enable the Authority and DVA (Driver Vehicle Agency - Northern Ireland) to manage and create a variety of vehicle Test Types and the associated systems needed to deliver the Driver Theory tests to Candidates across the UK and Northern Ireland.

DVSA requires this service to deliver the Test Engine and Test Content Management (TETCM) system for the Theory Test services, that work in tandem with the network of

Theory Test Centres.

Services include:

- The software solution to enable the management and creation of test compliant content.
- The software solution to enable delivery of test content to candidates across the Test Centre Network (TCN).
- The software solution to enable admissions and control of test delivery by Test Centre staff.
- Ongoing support of the service.

In order to maintain the service for the remainder of the term and expiry 5th September 2025 the financial value of the current TETCM Agreement will need to be increased.

This notice relates to a Modification of the TETCM Agreement in accordance with Regulation 72 (1)(c) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015. The Modification being an increase in financial contract value of £5,389,072 (from £24,610,928 to £30,000,000).

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

Duration in months

48

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 V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

K280020853

Title

Test Engine and Test Content Management (TETCM) - Modification

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

2 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

Pearson Professional Assessments Limited

80 Strand

London

WC2R 0RL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £30,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department for Transport

London

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

The contract modification addressed by this Notice is for the increase in financial contract value to ensure provision of essential ongoing services and continuity of the current delivery model.

The Agency have a statutory obligation to deliver the Theory Test and therefore there can be no gap in service delivery.

Other than the financial contract value increase of the agreement, all other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

48

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£30,000,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Pearson Professional Assessments Limited

80 Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The contract modification addressed by this Notice is for the increase in financial contract value to ensure provision of essential ongoing services and continuity of the current delivery model.

The Agency have a statutory obligation to deliver the Theory Test and therefore there can be no gap in service delivery.

Other than the financial contract value increase of the Agreement, as set out under this Modification Notice, all other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

There have been no previous Modification/s to the contract financial value and/or contract term.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

This notice relates to the modification of an existing contract under regulation 72(1)(c) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("PCR").

The modification has become necessary because of the unforeseen increase in demand for the service following the Covid-19 Pandemic; increased contract spend is as a result of increased demand.

The modification to the contract value is based upon current forecasting & allowance for annual CPI increases with a small tolerance.

The modification does not exceed 50% of the original contract value: Original Contract Value £24,610,928, Modification to Contract Value + £5,389,072, Total Contract Value £30,000,000.

The modification does not alter the overall nature of the contract.

The modification does not alter the contractual term of the contract.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £24,610,928

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £30,000,000