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Contract

## **Provision of Laboratory Services for Testing of Alcohol Dependency**

Department for Transport

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department for Transport

Driver & Vehicle Licensing Agency Longview Road, Morriston

Swansea

SA6 7JL

#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKL18 - Swansea

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Provision of Laboratory Services for Testing of Alcohol Dependency

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The DVLA is an Executive Agency of the Department for Transport (DfT), based in Swansea. The DVLA's primary aims are to facilitate road safety and general law enforcement by maintaining accurate registers of drivers and vehicle keepers and to collect Vehicle Excise Duty (VED).

The purpose of the Laboratory Services for Testing of Alcohol Dependency is to provide an accurate and confidential blood sample screening (Carbohydrate Deficient Transferrin (CDT) utilising the Capillary zone electrophoresis (CZE) methodology with classic reporting.

#### **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: £1,670,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL18 - Swansea

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The purpose of the laboratory services is to provide an accurate and confidential blood sample screening (Carbohydrate Deficient Transferrin (CDT) utilising the Capillary zone electrophoresis (CZE) methodology with classic reporting.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 16%

Quality criterion - Name: CDT Testing / Weighting: 16%

Quality criterion - Name: Franchise Doctors / Weighting: 18%

Quality criterion - Name: Storage and Destruction / Weighting: 6%

Quality criterion - Name: Management Information Reporting - Service Delivery – Reporting of results / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Management Information Reporting - To assess performance and identify trends for process improvement / Weighting: 3%

Quality criterion - Name: Business Continuity / Weighting: 6%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Wellbeing / Weighting: 10%

Price - Weighting: 80%

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 12 month options

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **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: [2022/S 000-030671](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

PS/21/126A

### **Title**

Provision of Laboratory Services for Testing of Alcohol Dependency

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

1 September 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

SYNLAB Laboratory Services

Gavenny Court, Brecon Road

Abergavenny

NP7 7RX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,670,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR2015 as amended.

Swansea

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