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Awarded contract

Forensics - Analysis of Hydrocarbon Oil Samples

HM Revenue and Customs

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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

Forensics - Analysis of Hydrocarbon Oil Samples

Reference number

SR300978278

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71620000 - Analysis services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The contracting authority have awarded a contract which will provide forensic analysis of hydrocarbon oil samples, primarily diesel, for identifying government rebated fuel markers and illegal laundering agents, with results provided electronically to the contracting authority. Where results are used in court cases the supplier will be required to provide a witness statement and act as an expert witness. This requirement also includes the supply of forensically secure testing equipment for use by the contracting authority's officers, and other testing equipment e.g. chemicals and laboratory equipment.

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: £3,600,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33950000 - Clinical forensics equipment and supplies
- 38430000 - Detection and analysis apparatus
- 76000000 - Services related to the oil and gas industry

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Contracting Authority undertook supplier engagement activity. Further details was made available via the Contracting Authority's SAP Ariba.

In order to access the further information in SAP Ariba and attend the Supplier Day supply companies were first be required to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). The NDA should be requested via email to gemma.moring@hmrc.gov.uk . If a potential supplier fails to provide a completed NDA then the supplier will not be permitted to attend the Supplier Day or access the Contracting Authority's SAP Ariba. If using the Contracting Authority's SAP Ariba for the first time the potential supplier should please contact gemma.moring@hmrc.gov.uk.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 40%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There is the possibility that the contract may be extended for two separate periods of twelve months subject to satisfactory performance

II.2.14) Additional information

The requirement includes but is not limited to:

Expert forensic testing/examination of samples and reporting on a variety of exhibits:

Fuel markers or dyes

Laundrying agents

Other fuel components, extenders or substitutes

In line with the Forensic Science Regulator's Codes of Practice and Conduct for forensic science providers and practitioners in the Criminal Justice System

Providing expert witness services, including written statements and presenting evidence to the court

Occasional travel throughout the UK

Giving evidence in court

Providing assistance at fuel laundrying sites

Secure transportation of samples

In a sealed box via a Track and Trace courier accompanied by a Dangerous Goods Note

Complying with the ADR Limited Quantity regulations

End-to-end tracking of samples, producing records of analysis and reporting Management Information

Provision of standard road side testing kits

Assist and advise on the development of new markers and dyes for use in identifying rebated fuel, including the development of complimentary roadside tests and training

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

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IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SR300978278

Title

Forensics - Analysis of Hydrocarbon Oil Samples

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 June 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £856,340.50

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

HM Revenue and Customs

London

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-revenue-customs