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Tender

UKRI-3357 NQCC Strontium Dipole Laser Cavities

UK Research & Innovation

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03fd01

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-3357 NQCC Strontium Dipole Laser Cavities

Reference number

UKRI-3357

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 14772000 - Strontium

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The National Quantum Computing Centre seeks to enhance the UK's global leadership in quantum computing, to help translate UK research strengths into innovation, and enable the creation of the first generation of quantum computers, helping to build a resilient future economy.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £170,000

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

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The NQCC's initial focus has been on two platforms of quantum computing, one based on superconductors and one based on trapped ions. This were chosen based on technological maturity and UK strength. The NQCC continues to investigate other

potential hardware modalities in detail. The centre will be headquartered in a purpose-built facility at the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)'s Rutherford Appleton Laboratory Campus in Oxfordshire. The centre is due for completion in 2023. Ahead of the completion of the centre, a temporary lab facilities in existing STFC building have been used to fast track development. The required cavities will be used in both these temporary laboratories and in the NQCC lab spaces.

The requirement is for two sets of cavities used to stabilise strontium (or calcium) ions. Each system is identical and must meet the all of the requirements outlined within the Specification

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £170,000

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

Duration in months

5

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: 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

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

30 October 2023

Local time

2:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

30 October 2023

Local time

3:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Strontium./E2N9T45FMR>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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