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Contract

Additional Flu Vaccines for the 21/22 Flu Season

Department of Health and Social Care

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02f3cd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Additional Flu Vaccines for the 21/22 Flu Season

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33651660 - Influenza vaccines

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This Contract is for a centrally procured, additional supply of Influenza Vaccine to ensure sufficient supply of flu vaccine for the 21/22 flu season

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: £31,565,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33651660 - Influenza vaccines

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Department of Health and Social Care is procuring a stock of flu vaccines over and above that which is needed for business as usual. This is in order to increase the uptake of flu vaccines for the 21/22 flu season while the covid-19 pandemic still persists and protect the population against the combined effect of flu and covid-19.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Authority needed to secure additional flu vaccines to supplement business as usual stocks so that it was in a position of being ready to co-administer the Covid-19 booster and flu vaccine simultaneously as this will result in a greater uptake of the flu vaccine to a wider cohort of the population. However the high global demand for flu vaccines and the limited global stocks of these vaccinations gave rise to an extremely urgent need for the Authority to purchase additional flu vaccines for the 2021/22 flu season to maintain security of supply to immunise the population as required and safeguard public health. It was imperative in the face of high global demand, that the Authority moved quickly to secure supply and as such there was insufficient time to comply with the standard Open Procedure time scales for this procurement. Accordingly, the Authority used the negotiated procedure without prior publication – Regulation 32(2)(c) – Extreme Urgency Route (i.e. direct award) permitted under the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended) to conduct this procurement

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

8 October 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aventis Pharma t/a Sanofi

410 Thames Valley Park Drive

Reading

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

01535640

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £31,565,000

Lowest offer: £31,565,000 / Highest offer: £31,565,000 taken into consideration

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Seqirus UK Limited

Point 29 Market Street

Maidenhead

SL6 8AA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

09614642

The contractor is an SME

No

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Viatrix UK Healthcare Ltd

Building 4, Trident Place Mosquito Way Hatfield Hertfordshire

Hatfield

AL10 9UL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

09189103

Internet address

<https://www.viatrix.com/en-gb/lm/united-kingdom>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This Contract is for a centrally procured, additional supply of vaccine from 3 suppliers: 1. Flucelvax TetraQuadrivalent Influenza Vaccine from Seqirus UK Limited at a value of £7,455,000 2. Influvac Tetra QIVe Influenza Vaccine from Viatris UK Healthcare at a value of £10,000,000 3. Supemtek Quadrivalent Influenza Vaccine from Aventis Pharma Ltd T/A Sanofi at a value of £14,110,000; to ensure sufficient supply of flu vaccine for the 21/22flu season

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

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London

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<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals>