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Contract

Wasted Peat Emissions

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040b41

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-energy-security-and-net-zero>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Wasted Peat Emissions

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73110000 - Research services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Wasted Peat Emissions

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 project will provide updated research evidence on the net greenhouse gas emissions from soils described as “wasted peat” in England, that is to say soils which used to match the definition of peat (an organic soil layer greater than 40cm) but that no longer match this definition because of losses through intensive use. To develop these new emissions factors, the project will mainly fund the acquisition of new field measurements (soil survey and more intensive continuous measurements on a subset of sites, with techniques such as eddy-covariance or eddy accumulation). It will also fund a systematic review of evidences to integrate those results with the other evidence available by the end of the project.

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

Start date

1 May 2020

End date

30 September 2023

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

con_1940

V.2) Award of contract/concession

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

1 May 2020

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

UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology

Maclean Building Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford

Wallingford

OX10 8BB

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: £449,994.50

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

3-8 Whitehall Place

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

- 73110000 - Research services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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

Start date

1 May 2020

End date

31 January 2025

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£669,744.50

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

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Maclean Building Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford

Wallingford

OX10 8BB

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United Kingdom

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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):

This modification is both a price and time extension. The need for modification has come about through the unforeseen scientific landscape that has presented challenges to the project. The additional scope is essential to be able to provide an accurate emissions factor for CO₂ emissions from cropland on wasted peat. The data collection in the year 2022 was skewed by an overly dry year meaning the data is potentially not accurate, and therefore additional year's data collection is necessary to confirm this. Additionally, policy drivers require additional experiments and activities, and an opportunity has arisen that will allow us to achieve that. This includes the installation of flux towers on grassland on wasted peat.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

The unforeseen scientific landscape has made the additional works necessary but due to the existing set up of equipment and measurement techniques, it would be significant duplication of cost and inconvenience to change contractor for these works.

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: £449,994.50

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £669,744.50