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UKRI-3918 New England Shelf Hydrogeology

UK Research & Innovation

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-3918 New England Shelf Hydrogeology

Reference number

UKRI-3918

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 76320000 - Offshore drilling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

BGS, acting on behalf of the ECORD, requires a marine coring capability and suitable vessel to operate offshore New England, USA, for a scientific drilling, coring and groundwater sampling campaign for a period of between 60 – 90 days (estimated) between May and August 2025. This scientific coring project seeks to extend our understanding of the current and past states of fluid composition, pressure, and temperature in continental shelf environments. In many coastal settings worldwide, the distribution of freshwater within continental shelf sediments is far out of equilibrium with modern sea level. One of the most remarkable examples is found on the Atlantic continental shelf off New England where groundwater within shallow Pliocene-Pleistocene sand aquifers over 100 km offshore has low salinity (3000 mg/l or less). This project will test several hypotheses to help constrain rates, directions, and mechanisms of groundwater flow and chemical fluxes in continental shelf systems.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-025291](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

IV.2.7

Place of text to be modified

Conditions for opening tenders

Instead of

Date

25 September 2024

Local time

2:00pm

Read

Date

27 September 2024

Local time

2:00pm

VII.2) Other 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. Bidders should note, the deadline for tenders has been extended to 27 September 2024, 14:00 BST.

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

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Offshore-drilling-services./BT9ZES6HV6>

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