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Contract

Specialist Peatland Restoration - Rewetting: North & Mid Argyll (inc North Knapdale)

Forestry and Land Scotland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-030568

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03bea7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Forestry and Land Scotland

Great Glen House, Leachkin Road

Inverness

IV3 8NW

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Telephone

+44 3000676000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://forestryandland.gov.scot>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Specialist Peatland Restoration - Rewetting: North & Mid Argyll (inc North Knapdale)

Reference number

FLS-013-C5

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

1.1 Forestry and Land Scotland (the Purchaser) look after the national forests and land to

enhance biodiversity, support tourism, and increase access to the green spaces that will help improve Scotland's physical and mental health and well-being. We also continue to provide vital timber supplies to support a sustainable rural economy. Further information on who we are and what it does can be found here:

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There are extensive areas of deep peat on Scotland's Forests & Land, including many which are afforested. The Purchaser has committed to manage all peatlands on Scotland's forests and land in a sustainable manner, maximising the delivery of ecosystem services for the benefit of Scotland's people and environment.

The aim of this contract is to provide specialist peatland restoration services to deliver our programme of restoration of degraded peatlands in line with targets agreed with Scottish Government as part of the wider Peatland Action delivery programme.

By 2027 onwards, the Purchaser expect to be restoring at least 3,000 hectares annually, thereby reducing carbon emissions, capturing additional carbon, and restoring valuable priority habitats that support priority species in the process. Alongside this is our duty to help deliver Scottish Government's policy in relation to the Climate Emergency, and to do our part in delivering ecosystem services spanning environmental, social, and economical benefits.

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: £2,112,300

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

West Region - North & Mid Argyll (inc North Knapdale)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to open procedure

Explanation:

No contract could be awarded following the competition in the contract notice:

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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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

FLS-013-C5

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ACM Plant hire

Unit 2 Industrial Estate

Brora

KW9 6LA

Telephone

+44 7790805285

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,112,300

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The contracts will be for the period up to 31st August 2026. The end date is to align with the contracts let from tender FLS-0013-C.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Inverness Justice Centre

Longman Road

Inverness

Email

inverness@scotcourts.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 , may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Court of Session

Parliament House, Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

Email

supreme.courts@scotcourts.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom