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# Impact of highly saline UK groundwaters on bentonite performance

Radioactive Waste Management

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Call for competition

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Radioactive Waste Management

Didcot

**OX11 0GD** 

#### Contact

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/case-studies/shared-services-alliance-ssa-for-nuclear-decommissioning-estate

Buyer's address

https://sharedsystems.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/3510

#### I.3) Communication

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

https://sharedsystems.eu-supply.com/app/rfg/rwlentrance s.asp?PID=15360&B=SELLAFIELD

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://sharedsystems.eusupply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance\_s.asp?PID=15360&B=SELLAFIELD

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

**Nuclear Decommissioning** 

## **Section II: Object**

#### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Impact of highly saline UK groundwaters on bentonite performance

Reference number

**RWM631** 

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The aim of this project is to investigate the impact of UK Lower Strength Sedimentary Rock groundwater chemistries on bentonites properties and assess the impact this has on bentonite meeting its safety function as a local buffer, mass backfill and seal material.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The aim of this project is to investigate the impact of UK Lower Strength Sedimentary Rock groundwater chemistries on bentonites properties and assess the impact this has on bentonite meeting its safety function as a local buffer, mass backfill and seal material.

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

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

Duration in months

36

#### 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

Restricted procedure

## IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

18 January 2022

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice
Strand
London
London
Country
United Kingdom
Internet address
http://www.justice.gov.uk
VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures
Royal Courts of Justice
Strand
London
London
Country

http://www.justice.gov.uk

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

## VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Any appeals should be promptly brought to the attention of the contact specified in Section I above, and will be dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Any appeals must be brought within the timescales specified by the applicable law, including without limitation, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. In accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Contracting Authority will also incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period from the date information on award of contract is communicated to tenderers.

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

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