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Contract

2024-030

Ofgem

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ofgem

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10021

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

2024-030

Reference number

Non-Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Statistical and Targeted Audits

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This procurement is for the provision of an audit contractor to perform technical site audits as part of the Non-Domestic Renewable Heat Incentives programme and the Green Gas Support Scheme on behalf of Ofgem.

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: £3,639,562

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79212300 - Statutory audit services
- 90714000 - Environmental auditing

- 90714300 - Sectoral environmental auditing services
- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 65400000 - Other sources of energy supplies and distribution
- 71314000 - Energy and related services
- 71314200 - Energy-management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

The audits may be across Scotland, England and Wales. It is possible audits in Northern Ireland will be requested during this contract. All visits shall be made within the working week and day.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This work is required as part of Ofgem's commitment to reduce fraud and error on its environmental schemes. This will require the supplier to undertake technical site audits of both prospective and accredited installations under the above-mentioned schemes as part of the audit programme. The audit programmes are designed to reduce the risk of non-compliance; thus, ensuring the schemes provide value for money for UK taxpayers. Ofgem's Requirements for Services to be provided for technical audits of generators and installations for the following Schemes:

* Non-Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (NDRHI)

* Green Gas Support Scheme (GGSS)

The overarching requirements of the audit site visit, regardless of Scheme, include the supplier's auditors to:

*Check the accuracy of data provided to Ofgem. This includes data provided in any reports;

*Securing assurance of compliance with Ofgem's published guidance and with any procedures or Scheme that Ofgem may have agreed with the participant;

*Detecting non-compliance and fraud, either on the part of the Auditee or those parties with whom they have a contract for delivering their obligations; and

*Detecting departures from good practice that have resulted, or that may result in the incorrect supply of information to Ofgem.

The supplier will be expected to have a full understanding of the NDRHI and GGSS requirements and expect that they can apply their mechanical services expertise during site visits to understand when installations or participants are not complying with the relevant legislation.

The supplier is also expected to have a full understanding of the applicable eligibility criteria that Ofgem apply for each installation concerning both general and specific technology type eligibility checks. This ensures that the installation has been accurately represented during application.

Ofgem expects the auditors should also be familiar with Ofgem's published guidance for the above schemes. On this basis, they should be able to highlight to Ofgem when applicants or operators are not complying with the guidance and/or legislation

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Open procedure

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

2024-030 NDRHI Statistical and Targeted Audits

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

2 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 3

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

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ICF Consulting Services Limited

62 Threadneedle Street

London

EC2R 8HP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,639,562

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(MT Ref:232878)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit