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Liquid CO2 Supply Agreement for the Birmingham Institute of Forest Research

University of Birmingham

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Liquid CO2 Supply Agreement for the Birmingham Institute of Forest Research

Reference number

FRAM592/23

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 24112100 - Carbon dioxide

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Supply of bulk liquid CO2 on a 3 year contract supply basis. Ability to fix a competitive price is essential including fixed rate of indexation (not subject to inflationary or force majeure price increases). Need to be able to guarantee supply of 6,000 tonnes per annum in the differing monthly supply volumes required by the project.

Also includes a PhD Scholarship fund to apply and translate science and engineering research which will ensure further sustainable outcomes from the project. The requirement includes the supply of food grade Liquid CO2, via tanker to the BIFoR FACE facility in the West Midlands. Transport deliveries will be scheduled to meet demand whilst utilising remote monitoring of the storage facility at BIFoR FACE. Access will be required 24 hrs per day, 7 days per week.

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: £4,420,725

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of bulk liquid CO₂ on a 3 year contract supply basis. Ability to fix a competitive price is essential including fixed rate of indexation (not subject to inflationary or force majeure price increases). Need to be able to guarantee supply of 6,000 tonnes per annum in the differing monthly supply volumes required by the project.

Also includes a PhD Scholarship fund to apply and translate science and engineering research which will ensure further sustainable outcomes from the project. The requirement includes the supply of food grade Liquid CO₂, via tanker to the BIFoR FACE facility in the West Midlands. Transport deliveries will be scheduled to meet demand whilst utilising remote monitoring of the storage facility at BIFoR FACE. Access will be required 24 hrs per day, 7 days per week.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Any extension option will be agreed between the parties and form part of a further notice, if required.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Supply of bulk liquid CO₂ on a 3 year contract supply basis. Ability to fix a competitive price is essential including fixed rate of indexation (not subject to inflationary or force majeure price increases) for affordability reasons for a strategic research project with a finite budget. Need to be able to guarantee supply of 6,000 tonnes per annum in the differing monthly supply volumes required by the project.

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IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

FRAM592/23

Title

Liquid CO2 Supply Agreement

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 November 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Reneco Limited

Wymington

NN10 9LU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Companies House

01760831

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £4,420,725

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Financial Value based on expected volumes for term of contract.

These may be called off on a framework agreement call off basis.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

University of Birmingham

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B15 2TT

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Queries must be lodged with p.markham@bham.ac.uk within the 10 day standstill period