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#### Contract

# **Natural Gas**

University of Ulster

F03: Contract award notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

University of Ulster

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Coleraine

**BT52 1SA** 

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d.quinn@ulster.ac.uk

### **Telephone**

+44 2870123760

## Country

**United Kingdom** 

### Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

# National registration number

NIC100166

# Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ulster.ac.uk

# 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

Natural Gas

Reference number

project\_26923/ itt\_36603

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 09123000 - Natural gas

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

Natural Gas

#### 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: £16,000,000

## II.2) Description

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This contract is for the supply of Natural Gas to all Ulster University Supply Meter Points (SMPs) across all four campuses.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Submission - mandatory criteria / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial Submission / Weighting: 100%

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

It is anticipated the contract will be for two (2) years initially, with an option to extend for any periods up to and including twenty four (24) months.

### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### II.2.14) Additional information

The estimated total value stated above in Section II.1.7 includes the initial 2 year contract period and the option to extend the contract for any periods up to and including 24 months.

### 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

Notice number: 2022/S 000-020673

## Section V. Award of contract

### **Contract No**

project\_26923

#### **Title**

Natural Gas

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

## V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2022

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Firmus Energy (Supply) Limited

1 Bartholomew Lane

London

EC2N 2AX

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

05369108

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £16,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £13,980,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.3) Additional information

The estimated total value of the contract awarded stated above in Section V.2.4 excluding Value-Added Tax (VAT) and Climate Change Levy (CCL), is based on an all-inclusive price per kWh of £0.157. Notional wholesale Natural Gas prices comprise the majority of costs on this Contract, these wholesale prices are highly volatile and subject to changes in market pricing. The actual value of the contract may be significantly higher or lower than the estimated total value stated.

In the event any subsequent Contract is terminated in accordance with the provisions of the terms and conditions, the University reserves the right to offer the second ranked Tenderer in this tender, the opportunity to enter into a contract, provided the original terms (including price) offered by that Tenderer remain unchanged from those originally offered by that Tenderer during the course of this tender. Should this not be the case and/or the second ranked Tenderer declines, the University reserves the right to approach the next ranked Tenderer in turn on the same basis. This will continue until all ranked Tenderers have been exhausted or if the University determines, at its sole discretion, to retender. This right will exist throughout the initial contract period.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

**Belfast** 

BT1 3JY

Country

**United Kingdom** 

# VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (Northern Ireland).