Contract

HyDUS Fuel Cell

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

F03: Contract award notice
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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

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Region code

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National registration number

N/A

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority

Buyer's address

https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/72814

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Fusion Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

HyDUS Fuel Cell

Reference number

JNCA/BO135/23

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 31122100 - Fuel cells

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The HyDUS initiative is an energy-storage demonstration project in which UKAEA is a key collaborator alongside other organisations. The technical process will include conversion of gaseous hydrogen into electricity via an electrochemical fuel cell. This award notice is for the purchase of a fuel cell. The fuel cell will convert the stored Hydorgen energy into useable electricity.

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: £194,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 31122100 - Fuel cells

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Culham Science Centre, Abingdon, OX14 3DB

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

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

Explanation:

The technical reasons to pursue this JNCA comprise of two, these are a follows:

1. Requirement of a G99 approved export facility – The G99 is the regulation surrounding the connection of any form of generator device to run 'in parallel' or 'synchronised' with the mains electrical utility grid (National Grid). Any facility installed would need to be approved and certified before connection. The JNCA proposed facility has such a certification to allow for connection, therefore, enabling the demonstrator to fulfil the project objectives.

2. Requirement for the facility to fit within the space allocation of 2.5M X 2.5M as prescribed by the planning application – The JNCA proposed facility can satisfy the installation space constraints, therefore complying with the legal stipulations of the determination. For the avoidance of doubt this was the only supplier that could meet the space allocation stipulation.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

HyDUS Fuel Cell

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 November 2023

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

EH Group Engineering AG

Chemin de la Vuarpilliere 27

Nyon

1260

Country

Switzerland

NUTS code

- CH0 - Switzerland

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £194,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

UK Atomic Energy Authority

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Internet address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

VI.4.2)Body responsible for mediation procedures

VI.4.3)Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers.

This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the authority before a contract is entered into applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request. Additional debriefing and that information have to be provided within a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be sought from the contact named in this notice.

If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No. 102) 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 (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

Any such action must be brought promptly.

(generally within 3 months).

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

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