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Contract

Independent Monitoring of Radioactivity in the Environment and Drinking Water

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d7d2

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Independent Monitoring of Radioactivity in the Environment and Drinking Water

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Independent Monitoring of Radioactivity in the Environment and Drinking Water

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: £2,400,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90711500 - Environmental monitoring other than for construction
- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 90711500 - Environmental monitoring other than for construction
- 71620000 - Analysis services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Environment Agency is looking to issue a tender for a contract to cover two of its independent radiological monitoring programmes:

- Independent monitoring of radioactivity in the environment
- Chemical and radiochemical analysis of sources of drinking water

These programmes are being integrated to allow for more sustainable and efficient sample collection.

The programme of independent monitoring of radioactivity in the environment, looks at where radioactivity could lead to exposure to the public from non-food pathways such as the occupation of beaches, river banks or other areas. The programme mainly consists of sampling, dose rates measurements and laboratory analysis of radionuclide concentrations on samples taken from specified locations near nuclear sites in England and Wales.

The programme for chemical and radiochemical analysis of sources of drinking water provides an understanding of background radioactivity levels and enables the Environment Agency to provide information to Water Companies on the activity concentrations of radionuclides in raw water sources and provides supplementary data to the Environment Agency on the exposure of the public to radiation. The programme mainly consists of the contractor taking raw water samples from Water Company premises/assets (in England and Wales), thus requires liaison with Water Companies, and undertaking laboratory based chemical and radiochemical analyses of the water samples.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 10

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

Notice number: [2023/S 000-017477](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

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

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

864124823

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: £2,400,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,400,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

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