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## **Provision for the Supply of Bio-mass Fuel**

Office for National Statistics

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.ons.gov.uk](http://www.ons.gov.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Other type

Non departmental government body

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Provision for the Supply of Bio-mass Fuel

Reference number

PU-21-0165

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 09111400 - Wood fuels

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Contract for the Supply of Bio-mass Fuel. The Office for National Statistics' (ONS) property in Newport have two Endress USF-W Biomass Boilers 1Mw in output which use wood pellets.

The units were installed and commissioned in 2010. ONS would only use gas as a temporary back up in the absence of an adequate wood supply. The boilers are fed from two 30 tonne capacity wood silos.

#### **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: £282,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Supply of Bio-mass Fuel.

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The units were installed and commissioned in 2010. ONS would only use gas as a temporary back up in the absence of an adequate wood supply. The boilers are fed from two 30 tonne capacity wood silos.

The heating season runs from the 1st October to the 30th April. Historic consumption figures indicate that ONS use 200-400 tonnes of pellet per annum, 30-60 tonne per month dependent upon weather conditions.

## **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) are seeking to increase the extension available with Balcas for a period of 3 months until 30 April 2025 increasing the contract value by £30,000.

ONS' existing contract with Balcas expires on 31 January 2025 and the current National Fuels 2 Crown Commercial Services (CCS) Framework is due to expire imminently. Extending the existing contract by 3 months will allow ONS to re-procure through the Summer months utilising the new CCS National Fuels 3 Framework. It is anticipated there will be a broader range of suppliers on the new framework and appetite for longer contract terms.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

PU-21-0165

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

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

1 February 2021

### **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**

Balcas Timber Ltd

Northern Ireland

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £252,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £282,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom