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Contract

Meter Operator Services

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE31 - Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham

National registration number

N/A

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/103835>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Meter Operator Services

Reference number

49188

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38554000 - Electricity meters

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Contract for the provision of meter operator services across BMBC and Berneslai Homes estates

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: £287,650

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE31 - Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Contract for the provision of meter operator services across BMBC and Berneslai Homes estates

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Under Regulation 32(5)(b), a contracting authority may justify the direct award to without conducting a full tendering process, where there are technical reasons and circumstances. The circumstances justifying the direct contract award to EDF Energy as the meter operator are driven by legal obligations, the need for seamless data integration, technical expertise, familiarity with infrastructure, and the potential risks and inefficiencies associated with choosing a different supplier. These factors, further highlighted below, collectively demonstrate that this contract is a case in where Regulation 32(5)(b) can be reasonably applied.

Having EDF Energy as both the meter operator and electricity supplier can lead to seamless data integration. This integration can facilitate the real-time monitoring and management of energy consumption, helping the Council to comply with Regulations relating to the accurate measurement and reporting of energy use in commercial buildings. These technical expertise and efficiencies are essential to uninterrupted service.

EDF Energy's familiarity with the council's infrastructure and equipment can also expedite fault resolution and maintenance.

Additionally, all electricity services being under a single provider brings about consistency, ease and efficiency of contract administration reducing costs to BMBC. It also removes the risk of disputes between parties in the event the interface between the two functions fails.

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

49188

Title

Meter Operator Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 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

EDF Energy Customers PLC

40 Grosvenor Place

London

SW1X 7EN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI32 - Westminster

National registration number

02228297

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: £287,650

Lowest offer: £287,650 / Highest offer: £287,650 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

High Court of Justice

The Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand,

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

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

The High Court of Justice

The Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand,

London

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Country

United Kingdom