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Contract

Sorption Analysis Suite

University of Lincoln

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKF3 - Lincolnshire

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Main address

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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

Sorption Analysis Suite

Reference number

451

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38400000 - Instruments for checking physical characteristics

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The University has purchased an advanced sorption analysis suite to be used for a gas adsorption by functional porous materials application.

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: £350,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38900000 - Miscellaneous evaluation or testing instruments
- 38430000 - Detection and analysis apparatus
- 38432000 - Analysis apparatus
- 38300000 - Measuring instruments
- 38500000 - Checking and testing apparatus

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF3 - Lincolnshire

Main site or place of performance

Lincolnshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The University has purchased an advanced sorption analysis suite to be used for a gas adsorption by functional porous materials application. This comprises a gas sorption analyzer, automated breakthrough analyzer with integrated mass spectrometer and vapor sorption analyzer.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Specification & Functional Suitability of Instrumentation for Research Purposes / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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:

Whilst other companies may potentially be able to offer similar instrumentation in some respects, they are not capable of the same specifications or functionality. The instrument package that has been purchased is considered to be a breakthrough instrument which is integrated to a level that is not available in the wider supply market. This instrument is considered to be unique in the marketplace. The supply market for this type of niche instrumentation is naturally limited and academic colleagues have previously conducted a degree of soft market testing to ascertain whether competitor products may be able to provide the required integration and functionality. No other companies have been identified who can provide this – the University would have to procure from several different companies to somewhat replicate the Hiden Isochema Ltd instrument package. This would be suboptimal in terms of the University's research needs.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 November 2024

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

Hidden Isochema Limited

422 Europa Boulevard

Warrington

WA5 7TS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF3 - Lincolnshire

National registration number

02865845

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £350,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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