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Contract

Procurement of Land Cover Plus Crops License

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Procurement of Land Cover Plus Crops License

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 48517000 - IT software package

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Procurement of License Agreement for Land Cover Plus Crops Licenses that are owned by the Supplier.

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: £30,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Single Tender Action for the procurement of a license to utilise data held by the Supplier

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:

Single Source contract with UKCEH for the Data License due to the Supplier being the only provider of these key licenses. Although this requirement is below the PCR 2015 threshold for supplies and services (£139,688), the justification for single source under regulation 32 (2) (b) of the PCR 2015 for use of the negotiated procedure without prior publication is against reason ii) "competition is absent for technical reasons" – the justification for this is as follows:

o Due to the specific level of detail provided by UKCEH against the Land Cover dataset, this license provides the requisite performance for the Customer to meet the required outputs and any deviation from this dataset would be detrimental to DEFRA's mission.

o The unique maps that only UKCEH can offer provide a dataset of application rates at a fine resolution and national scale. The fertiliser map estimates average fertiliser applications between 2010 and 2015 for the whole of England and the pesticide map looks at average pesticide applications between 2012 and 2017 in England, Wales and Scotland. The data for both is provided at a 1km resolution, showing the kg of the active ingredients per 1km2. This meets the requirements of DEFRA to meet its missions.

o Due to the scope of the UKCEH Dataset and the unique detail it provides, DEFRA cannot use any other provider.

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

14 November 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

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

UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology Enterprise Limited

Maclean Building, Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford, Wallingford

Wallingford

OX10 8BB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

12251749

Internet address

https://www.ceh.ac.uk/

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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