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Award

Furnace moves

UK Atomic Energy Authority

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Scope

Reference

JNCA/PR078/25

Description

We are using the OEM to move furnaces between buildings. They understand the equipment well, negates/ reduces the risk of failures (short or long term). In addition, the recommissioning would need to be undertaken by the OEM.

Contract 1. Furnace Moves

Supplier

- [Vacuum Furnace Engineering Ltd](#)

Contract value

- £402,870 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2025 to 1 December 2025
- 4 months, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 51135000 - Installation services of furnaces

Contract locations

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

In moving such large pieces of specialised kit there is a risk of breakages in transit and service failure once in situ.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

- This supplier is the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) - This supplier understands the equipment extremely well - This supplier provides the servicing for the equipment is the point of contact for issues and failures on the equipment - Any long term issues from the move and/or thereafter, will be straight forward with no ambiguity of where fault lies - This supplier will be required to come on site to recommission the equipment in any case.

Supplier

Vacuum Furnace Engineering Ltd

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWYW-9582-JTRT

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Contact name: Vacuum Furnace Engineering Ltd

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Region: UKG36 - Dudley

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

UK Atomic Energy Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLJV-1169-JTDD

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Region: UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government