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Contract

pEPR - Statutory Appointment of a PRO - Legal Advice

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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

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

Other activity

Legal Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

C29861

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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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: £120,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To appoint an industry led PRO which will be delegated relevant functions by PackUK to support with ongoing delivery of the pEPR scheme. Legal support is required to assist with the appointment process of a PRO. There are four main phases to the work:

- Prepare the proposed conditions of appointment
- Prepare the appointment process
- Run the appointment process and select the candidate PROs
- Confirm conditions of appointment and appoint the PRO

As PackUK and the 4 nations agree which functions are to be delegated to the PRO and in which years, these will in turn need to be set out in conditions of appointment. The greater the responsibilities delegated to the PRO, the more robust the appointment process will need to be, so legal support will be used to assist with the design, drafting of application documentation, and the subsequent assessment of applications.

Given the possibility of multiple applications, Defra is working on the basis that a clear, transparent and rigorous assessment process is necessary for this work, and legal support will be utilised in the application assessments and finalising conditions of appointment.

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:

Framework Direct Award

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

7 August 2025

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

DLA Piper UK LLP

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London

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+44 1133692832

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

OC307847

Internet address

<https://www.dlapiper.com/en/uk/>

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: £120,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £120,000

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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