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Contract

Managed Service for Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT)

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-055505

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0597d8

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

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Email

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Telephone

+44 1313145522

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotblood.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12722

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Managed Service for Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT)

Reference number

NP5023/14

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS), require a fully integrated microbiology managed service system for NAT (Nucleic Acid Testing). This includes equipment, maintenance, consumables, spare parts, upgrades, training, clinical education material, remote diagnostics, reporting and supports all to deliver a final result to the SNBTS information management system. Mandatory assays include the ability to detect HCV, HBV and HIV for in plasma/serum samples from blood donors and tissue donors. Tissue and stem cell donations may only be tested as individual donations. SNBTS test various tissue and stem cell blood samples as singletons but do not carry out any testing on non heart beating donations

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

1 November 2015

End date

31 October 2025

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2015/S 151-278967](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

NP5023/14

Title

Managed Service for Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT)

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

4 August 2015

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Roche Diagnostics

Roche Diagnostics, Charles Ave

Burgess Hill

RH15 9RY

Telephone

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Fax

+44 0000000000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £4,100,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:809859)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Court of Session

Parliament House, Parliament Square

Edinburgh

Eh1 1RQ

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

The current managed service comprises the supply of a fully integrated microbiology managed service system for NAT (Nucleic Acid Testing). This includes equipment, maintenance, consumables, spare parts, upgrades, training, clinical education material, remote diagnostics, reporting and supports all to deliver a final result to the Authority's information management system. Mandatory assays include the ability to detect HCV RNA (and HIV RNA for SNBTS) in plasma/serum samples from blood donors and also HCV RNA, HIV RNA and HBV DNA in plasma/ serum samples from tissue and stem cell donors.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

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VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£150,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Burgess Hill

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Country

United Kingdom

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

A project to replace the current contract has been concluded however due to the time that it takes to conduct a procurement exercise and the subsequent implementation period, delays have been encountered and have meant that a short extension is required to the current contract to ensure continuity of testing. This extension will be for a 6 month period from 01 November 2025.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

SNBTS require additional goods to ensure successful implementation of the new contract. There is no provision to change suppliers as the test kits and equipment are linked and there is no substitution available across suppliers' platforms.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £4,100,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £4,250,000