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Award

Agency Backup and Archive Solution

MHRA

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Scope

Reference

C353022

Description

The Agency is looking for a partner who can provide a holistic strategy covering all the different types of data and applications in use across the MHRA. The Agency has data that must be highly available and easy to restore quickly, and data that is very unlikely to be needed regularly but must be retained as a historical record. Our partner and solution must be capable of handling both, and everything in between.

For ease of management, the Agency would like a single pane of glass spanning all of the backup and archive arrangements. Those arrangements should be tailored to the data they support, so they can be cost effective and efficient for each scenario.

MHRA is not looking for multiple solutions though, as there is a preference to consolidate

technologies as far as possible.

The highest scoring proposal will be one which is able to cover all data types with one or the fewest different solutions.

The Agency also expects a hybrid solution that makes the most of the Cloud without a wholesale commitment to expensive storage that is environmentally unfriendly.

Contract 1. Agency Backup and Archive

Supplier

• Specialist Computer Centres PLC

Contract value

- £847,176.39 excluding VAT
- £1,016,611.66 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

22 September 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

1 October 2025

Standstill period

• End: 10 October 2025

• 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

13 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 October 2025 to 14 October 2028
- Possible extension to 14 October 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Two twelve month extensions permitted

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 72900000 - Computer back-up and catalogue conversion services

Contract locations

• UK - United Kingdom

Information about tenders

- 2 tenders received
- 2 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 1 supplier unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

Specialist Computer Centres PLC

• Companies House: 01428210

James House, Warwick Road

Birmingham

B11 2LE

United Kingdom

Email: robert.drury@scc.com

Region: UKG31 - Birmingham

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Associated people/organisations:

Not applicable

Contract 1. Agency Backup and Archive

Contracting authority

MHRA

• Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJLJ-9824-VXPG

10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf

London

E14 4PU

United Kingdom

Email: commercial@mhra.gov.uk

Website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/medicines-and-healthcare-products-regulatory-agency

Region: UKI42 - Tower Hamlets

Organisation type: Public authority - central government