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Contract

# **MASS HPSS Support**

Met Office

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### Scope

#### Reference

1792

# **Description**

The Managed Archive Storage System (MASS) and associated infrastructure is a critical adjunct to the supercomputer system. MASS is the sole long-term archive for Met Office operational and scientific research data. A key element of the MASS is IBM HPSS (High Performance Storage System) software which is the Storage Management product developed to interface with tape libraries.

The procurement is for a renewal of support to the HPSS software for a period of 6 months from 1st January to 30th June 2026.

## **Contract 1**

# **Supplier**

• IBM UNITED KINGDOM LIMITED

#### **Contract value**

- £473,942 excluding VAT
- £568,730 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

# **Date signed**

7 October 2025

#### **Contract dates**

- 1 January 2026 to 30 June 2026
- 6 months

# **Main procurement category**

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

• 50300000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to personal computers, office equipment, telecommunications and audio-visual equipment

#### **Contract locations**

• UKK - South West (England)

## Justification for not setting key performance indicators

N/A

#### **Contract 2**

# **Supplier**

• IBM UNITED KINGDOM LIMITED

#### **Contract value**

- £473,942 excluding VAT
- £568,730.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

# **Date signed**

7 October 2025

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Yes

Contract dates
• 1 January 2026 to 30 June 2026
• 6 months
Main procurement category
Services
CPV classifications
• 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services
Contract locations
UK - United Kingdom
Justification for not setting key performance indicators
N/A
Other information
Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

## **Procedure**

## **Procedure type**

Direct award

### **Direct award justification**

- Single supplier intellectual property or exclusive rights
- Single supplier technical reasons
- Additional or repeat goods, services or works extension or partial replacement

HPSS software is proprietary to IBM.

# **Supplier**

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contract 2

# **Contracting authority**

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