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Contract

## **C24615 - Early Legacy Boxes - Boxes & Lids**

Sellafield Limited

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Sellafield Limited

Hinton House, Birchwood Park Avenue

Warrington

WA3 6GR

#### **Contact**

Helen Cheetham

#### **Email**

[helen.l.cheetham@sellafieldsites.com](mailto:helen.l.cheetham@sellafieldsites.com)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**National registration number**

01002607

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Nuclear

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

C24615 - Early Legacy Boxes - Boxes & Lids

Reference number

C24615

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 44400000 - Miscellaneous fabricated products and related items

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This contract is only for suppliers eligible to tender via the Engineering and Technology Solutions Marketplace DPS Category, Lot 4 Manufacturing Solutions Category, sub-category: Manufactured Products.

This Procurement is for the following components only:

Box Body  
Box Lid

In support of Right First Time (RFT) Manufacture, the following phases shall be completed with support from SL, following contract award:

1. Mobilisation
2. Design Validation & Verification
3. Tooling & Process Development
4. Assembly 1 manufacture
5. Assembly 2-6 manufacture
6. Assembly 7-27 manufacture
7. Assembly 28+ manufacture

Note: Total quantity to be determined by quoted unit prices.

A further DPS tender reference C24612 for the Liner & AFP has been issued on the same date as this procurement. The subsequent contracts awarded will be managed concurrently.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Lowest offer: £2,217,173.33 / Highest offer: £7,472,568.24 taken into consideration

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45255400 - Fabrication work
- 90521500 - Packaging of radioactive waste
- 90521520 - Packaging of intermediate level nuclear waste
- 44613400 - Storage containers
- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 98391000 - Decommissioning services
- 09343000 - Radioactive materials
- 14622000 - Steel
- 44613800 - Containers for waste material
- 44616200 - Waste drums
- 44619000 - Other containers

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

Main site or place of performance

Cumbria

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Sellafield Ltd (SL) have developed a Legacy 3m3 Box Design for the retrieval, packaging, transport, storage, and disposal of ILW (Intermediate Level Waste) from facilities at Sellafield site.

These boxes will be used for interim storage and final disposal of the following wastes:

Legacy Pond Skips (inc. Zeolites)  
Maintenance waste from retrievals process/plant  
Secondary waste arisings within the Box Encapsulation Plant (BEP)

Where the term “Box” is used in this Specification it shall imply the same meaning as a “Legacy 3m3 Box Assembly”.

The Box Assembly comprises the following components:

1 off Box Body  
1 off Box Lid  
1 off Bolt Set (28 off bolts per set)  
1 off Liner  
1 off Anti Flotation Plate (AFP)  
1 off Liquor Filter Module (LFM)

SL requires 6 off box & lid assemblies by August 2026 to preload the BEP facility. Following this, SL needs 27-60 box & lid assemblies (at a minimum rate of 8 per annum) to be supplied to support BEP (Box Encapsulation Plant) Active Commissioning in 2027.

Note: This Procurement is for the following components only:

Box Body  
Box Lid

There is another DPS tender for the Liner & AFP which will be managed concurrently to this scope of work.

Only ‘mature’ methods of manufacture that have been tried and tested, should be used to manufacture the box components; this should cut down development time and ensure on time delivery.

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2. Design Validation & Verification
3. Tooling & Process Development
4. Assembly 1 manufacture
5. Assembly 2-6 manufacture
6. Assembly 7-27 manufacture
7. Assembly 28+ manufacture

Note: Total quantity to be determined by quoted unit prices.

**\*\*ADDITIONAL INFORMATION\*\***

Tenders were evaluated against the award criteria with a view to identifying the most economically advantageous tender (MEAT) to our requirements. It was split as follows:-

80% Quality  
20% Price

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

**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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2019/S 177-431310](#)

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## **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**

19 September 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Bendalls Engineering Ltd

Unit 46 Brunthill Road Kingstown Industrial Estate Carlisle

Stroke On Trent

CA3 0EH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

National registration number

00426047

Internet address

[www.bendalls.co.uk](http://www.bendalls.co.uk)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £4,999,999

Lowest offer: £2,217,173.33 / Highest offer: £7,472,568.24 taken into consideration

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 50 %

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

Cumbria Manufacturing Alliance

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Courts Of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Email

[rcj.dco@justice.gov.uk](mailto:rcj.dco@justice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.find-court-tribunal.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts Of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.find-court-tribunal.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>