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Contract

# **Laboratory Gases and Associated Equipment & Services**

Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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## Region code

UK - United Kingdom

## National registration number

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Main address

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Buyer's address

https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/86623

## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Education

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

Laboratory Gases and Associated Equipment & Services

Reference number

LAB4060 SU

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 24100000 - Gases

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

### II.1.4) Short description

Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC) is seeking to establish framework agreements for the purchase of a wide range of laboratory and workshop gases (including refrigerants) and associated equipment and services.

This requirement automatically covers the members of the following higher education regional

purchasing consortia; Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC), North East

Universities Purchasing Consortium (NEUPC), North West Universities Purchasing Consortium (NWUPC), London Universities Purchasing Consortium (LUPC), Higher Education Purchasing Consortium Wales (HEPCW), Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC), Crescent Purchasing Consortia (CPC), Marine Scotland, TUCO Purchasing Ltd and constituent bodies within UK Research and Innovation (UKRI <a href="https://www.ukri.org/about-us/">https://www.ukri.org/about-us/</a>) participate as Full Members of LUPC via UK SBS.

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £120,000,000

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Compressed Industrial Gases

Lot No

1

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
- 24111700 Nitrogen
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
- 24111900 Oxygen
- 24112000 Inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24112100 Carbon dioxide
- 24112200 Nitrogen oxides
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds

- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113100 Liquid air
- 24113200 Compressed air
- 42131170 Gas-cylinder outlet valves
- 44612100 Gas cylinders
- 44612200 Gas tanks
- 50514100 Repair and maintenance services of tanks
- 50531200 Gas appliance maintenance services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A range of Compressed Industrial Gases to be supplied, in rented cylinders of various sizes and bar pressures covering the range 'small cylinders', 'standard cylinders' and manifold cylinder packs.

- i. Industrial Oxygen (?99.5%)
- ii. Air
- iii. Argon (?99.998%)
- iv. Carbon Dioxide (?99.8%)
- v. Nitrogen (Oxygen Free) (?99.998%)
- vi. Hydrogen (High Purity) (?99.995%)
- vii. Acetylene (Dissolved) (?98.5%)
- viii. Propane

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sutainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

#### 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: Yes

Identification of the project

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK

It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) funding (ERDF/ESF) and

potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Compressed Medical Gases

Lot No

2

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

09122100 - Propane gas

- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
- 24111700 Nitrogen
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
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- 24112200 Nitrogen oxides
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113100 Liquid air
- 24113200 Compressed air
- 44612100 Gas cylinders
- 44612200 Gas tanks

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A range of Compressed Medical Gases and gas mixtures, to be supplied in rented cylinders of various sizes to those Participating Institutions that are permitted to use medical gases.

### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality -Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Compressed Research/Special Gases and Gas Mixtures

Lot No

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

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
- 24111700 Nitrogen
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
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- 24112200 Nitrogen oxides
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113100 Liquid air
- 24113200 Compressed air
- 50531200 Gas appliance maintenance services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A range of Compressed Research/Special Gases and Gas Mixtures (that are not already covered

under Lots 1 and 2), to be supplied in rented cylinders of various sizes.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The agreement is initially for a period of 36 months with a further 12 month option available

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Identification of the project

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### (ERDF/ESF) and

potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Solid Carbon Dioxide (CO2, 'Dry Ice')

Lot No

4

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

- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111900 Oxygen
- 24112000 Inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24112100 Carbon dioxide
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113200 Compressed air

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Solid Carbon Dioxide to be supplied in the forms of pellets. A very small quantity in other solid

forms including blocks may also be ordered through the agreement.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality -Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

### II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Liquid Helium

Lot No

5

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

- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
- 24111900 Oxygen
- 24112000 Inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24112100 Carbon dioxide
- 24112200 Nitrogen oxides
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113100 Liquid air
- 24113200 Compressed air

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Liquid Helium to be supplied in both rented cryogenic pressure vessels and in Participating

Institutions' own cryogenic pressure vessels of various sizes.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

## 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: Yes

Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Liquid Nitrogen and other Cryo Liquids in Small vessels

Lot No

6

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas

- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
- 24111700 Nitrogen
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
- 24111900 Oxygen
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- 24112100 Carbon dioxide
- 24112200 Nitrogen oxides
- 24112300 Gaseous inorganic oxygen compounds
- 24113000 Liquid and compressed air
- 24113100 Liquid air
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- 42130000 Taps, cocks, valves and similar appliances
- 42131140 Pressure-reducing, control, check or safety valves
- 42131170 Gas-cylinder outlet valves
- 44160000 Pipeline, piping, pipes, casing, tubing and related items
- 44163160 Distribution pipes and accessories
- 44610000 Tanks, reservoirs, containers and pressure vessels
- 44611000 Tanks
- 44611400 Storage tanks

- 44612100 Gas cylinders
- 44612200 Gas tanks
- 50514100 Repair and maintenance services of tanks
- 50531200 Gas appliance maintenance services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Liquid Nitrogen and to a much lesser extent, liquid Argon, Oxygen and Carbon Dioxide is supplied

in both rented cryogenic pressure vessels and in Participating Institution's own cryogenic pressure

vessels of various sizes

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

#### 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: Yes

Identification of the project

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It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) funding (ERDF/ESF) and

potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Liquid Nitrogen in Bulk

Lot No

7

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
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- 44612200 Gas tanks
- 50514100 Repair and maintenance services of tanks

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Liquid Nitrogen to be supplied with a transfer pressure of 1 Bar to specific Participating Institutions

in both owned and rented bulk vessels of various sizes

### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Gas Regulators and Handling Equipment

Lot No

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
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- 50514100 Repair and maintenance services of tanks
- 50531200 Gas appliance maintenance services
- 80000000 Education and training services
- 80500000 Training services
- 80510000 Specialist training services
- 80531000 Industrial and technical training services
- 80531100 Industrial training services
- 80531200 Technical training services
- 80550000 Safety training services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

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

A range of equipment for use with gas cylinders, cryogenic pressure vessels etc., to handle and

monitor gases (including the service, repair and calibration of these items of equipment where

appropriate). Prices are also requested for the inspection and certification of Gas

## Handling

Equipment and for Service, Repair and Calibration services for Gas Handing Equipment.

### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

## II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Assorted Fixtures and Fittings including Inspection and Maintenance

Lot No

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
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- 80531100 Industrial training services
- 80531200 Technical training services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A range of assorted fixtures and fittings for use with gas cylinders, cryogenic pressure vessels

etc., to handle and distribute gases (including inspection and maintenance where appropriate).

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Dispensing Gases and Associated Systems

Lot No

10

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon

- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon
- 24111500 Medical gases
- 24111600 Hydrogen
- 24111700 Nitrogen
- 24111800 Liquid nitrogen
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- 80531200 Technical training services
- 80550000 Safety training services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To supply a range of bar dispensing gas including but not limited to high purity, food grade

Nitrogen, Carbon Dioxide and various mixtures thereof. Gas storage and blending systems may

be required by Participating Institutions and shall be quoted for on request.

### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

### 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: Yes

Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Gas Safety Training Courses

Lot No

11

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
- 24111400 Neon

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- 80531100 Industrial training services
- 80531200 Technical training services
- 80550000 Safety training services

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide a range of Safety Training Courses or Workshops, which cover issues around the safe

storage, handling and usage of Gases

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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Identification of the project

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potentially other research bodies.

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Tanks – including annual servicing maintenance (Liquid Nitrogen, Oxygen, Argon)

Lot No

- 09122100 Propane gas
- 09122200 Butane gas
- 24110000 Industrial gases
- 24111000 Hydrogen, argon, rare gases, nitrogen and oxygen
- 24111100 Argon
- 24111200 Rare gases
- 24111300 Helium
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- 24111500 Medical gases
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**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide a range of tanks which hold Liquid Nitrogen, Oxygen or Argon, sizes if which vary from

25L to 500L.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Service Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Account Management / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Sustainability / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Social Value / Weighting: 4

Price - Weighting: 40

## 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: Yes

Identification of the project

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK

It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) funding (ERDF/ESF) and

potentially other research bodies.

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

## IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

### IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## IV.2) Administrative information

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

Notice number: <u>2025/S 000-006846</u>

## Section V. Award of contract

### Lot No

1

### **Title**

Compressed Industrial Gases

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

## V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

**BOC Ltd** 

Forge, 43 Church Street West

Woking

**GU21 6HT** 

Country

## **United Kingdom**

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

337663

The contractor is an SME

No

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

**Buse Gases Ltd** 

Johnsons Bridge Road

West Bromwich

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Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07704088

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £16,000,000

## Section V. Award of contract

## Lot No

2

### **Title**

Compressed Medical Gases

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

## V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

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

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

#### Lot No

3

#### **Title**

Compressed Research/Special Gases and Gas Mixtures

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £24,000,000

#### Lot No

4

#### **Title**

Solid Carbon Dioxide (CO2, 'Dry Ice')

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £11,000,000

#### Lot No

5

#### **Title**

Liquid Helium

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £10,000,000

#### Lot No

6

#### **Title**

Liquid Nitrogen and other Cryo Liquids in Small vessels

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £32,000,000

#### Lot No

7

#### **Title**

Liquid Nitrogen in Bulk

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £22,000,000

#### Lot No

8

#### **Title**

Gas Regulators and Handling Equipment

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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SK9 1PT

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

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National registration number

08178419

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,000,000

## Section V. Award of contract

#### Lot No

9

#### **Title**

Assorted Fixtures and Fittings including Inspection and Maintenance

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

## V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

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

Medical and Industrial Gas Services Ltd

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SK9 1PT

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

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National registration number

08178419

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,000,000

#### Lot No

10

#### **Title**

Dispensing Gases and Associated Systems

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

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

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

#### Lot No

11

#### **Title**

Gas Safety Training Courses

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME

No

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

## **Lot No**

12

### **Title**

Tanks – including annual servicing maintenance (Liquid Nitrogen, Oxygen, Argon)

A contract/lot is awarded: No

## V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Revie	w body
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### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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