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## **High Heat Flux (HHF) testing of Tile-on-Heat-Sink (ToHS) Plasma Facing Component (PFC)**

UK Industrial Fusion Solutions Ltd

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

PP-UKIFS-261d

### **Description**

The purpose of this contract is to procure access to a testing facility to provide High Heat Flux (HHF) testing of Plasma Facing Components (PFC) mock-ups that are being designed for use in the STEP Prototype Powerplant (SPP).

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- CEA

### **Contract value**

- £190,750 excluding VAT
- £228,900 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

28 November 2025

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 30 November 2025 to 31 May 2026
- 6 months, 1 day

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 71336000 - Engineering support services
- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 71610000 - Composition and purity testing and analysis services
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73430000 - Test and evaluation

### **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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### **Other information**

#### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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### **Procedure**

#### **Procedure type**

Direct award

#### **Direct award justification**

Switching to direct award

ITT Open Procedure was performed between 15th July to 11th August 2025. Only two responses were received and both of the tender responses were assessed as “not suitable” by the Evaluation Panel on 18th August.

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## Supplier

### CEA

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBLG-3648-BCXT

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## Contracting authority

## **UK Industrial Fusion Solutions Ltd**

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)