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Award

Centrifuge Operators and Associated Site Maintenance Support

UNITED UTILITIES WATER LIMITED

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Scope

Description

To provide trained and competent personnel to operate and maintain centrifuge systems at a number of UU sites. Operators will also support site operations, ensure compliance with health and safety standards, and perform routine maintenance tasks.

Contract 1

Supplier

- WESTCOAST CHEMICALS LIMITED

Contract value

- £550,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

5 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 December 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 3 months, 27 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 45259000 - Repair and maintenance of plant
- 90420000 - Sewage treatment services
- 90470000 - Sewer cleaning services
- 90481000 - Operation of a sewage plant

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Utilities

Direct award justification

Extreme and unavoidable urgency

United Utilities have an urgent need to secure continued provision of centrifuge operators and associated operational services, to ensure operational stability and meet statutory and organisational requirements.

The authority has identified that the time available is insufficient to complete a compliant and competitive procurement before the continuity of the service would place United Utilities at significant risk.

Note that this award is a temporary solution allowing time for a compliant procurement activity to take place, in which United Utilities intends to award the contract in March/April 26.

The procurement process has commenced to replace this award, see <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/074551-2025>

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

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