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Award

202526 5478 5497 - Scientific Instruments to be installed on the FAAM aircraft.

University of Leeds

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Scope

Reference

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Description

2x Backscatter Cloud Probe

1x Dynamic Dilution System

1x Zero Air System

All items to be installed on the fuselage of the FAAM aircraft, or within the airborne laboratory

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Contract 1

Supplier

- CuraTerra Air Ltd

Contract value

- £247,665 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

9 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 10 December 2025 to 9 December 2026
- 1 year

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 38120000 - Meteorological instruments

Contract locations

- UKE32 - Sheffield

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

The Envea DMT BCPD-H, "Backscatter Cloud Probe with Depolarization (Hermetic)" is the only commercially available fuselage mounted cloud droplet measuring instrument for aircraft. It is specifically designed to measure liquid and ice cloud as well as being able to distinguish volcanic ash which fulfills a government civil contingency safety case for operating the FAAM aircraft when airspace is closed to all other planes due to a volcanic eruption. Two instruments are required to ensure that the measurement is available at all

times in the event of one being returned for service/calibration or failure.

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

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