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Contract

## **THE PROVISION OF RESEARCH INTO FIRE SAFETY ACCESS AND FACILITIES IN BUILDINGS**

Health and Safety Executive

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e687

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

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

Health and Safety Executive

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Liverpool

L207HS

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#### **Telephone**

+44 1511234567

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD73 - Sefton

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.hse.gov.uk>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Health and safety regulation and enforcement

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

THE PROVISION OF RESEARCH INTO FIRE SAFETY ACCESS AND FACILITIES IN BUILDINGS

Reference number

HSE/T4616

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

Services

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

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is a Crown non-departmental public body with specific statutory functions in relation to health and safety. It is appointed by the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions and employs around 3,500 staff including policy advisers, inspectors, technologists and scientific and medical advisers. HSE's job is to prevent people being killed, injured or made ill by work.

The Technical Policy Team is part of the Building Safety Regulator (BSR) which sits within the Health and Safety Executive. It is responsible for developing and maintaining the technical guidance that supports the Building Regulations. Their work also involves the identification of emerging risks and provision of expert advice to the Government. The technical guidance sets the standard for new buildings and work to existing buildings, and the BSR utilises this guidance, in the form of the Approved Documents, to improve the safety, accessibility, liveability, function and sustainability of the built environment.

As part of the technical review of Approved Document B (ADB) the relevant stakeholder workshops, a Call for Evidence, and advice from the Building Advisory Committee (BAC) highlighted the need for research into the area of "Access and facilities for the fire service". The research is aimed to review whether the relevant provisions in ADB are fit for purpose and effective in meeting the minimum requirements under Schedule 1, Part B5 of the Building Regulations 2010. The main output from the research will be an objective and evidence-based presentation of the results in the form of technical reports. The work is expected to be organised into three separate objectives.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £130,700

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales
- UKM - Scotland

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

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 year contract with an optional extension period of 6 months

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open 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: [2025/S 000-006738](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

1.11.4.4616.

### **Title**

The Provision of Research into Fire Safety Access and Facilities in Buildings

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

25 March 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

BUREAU VERITAS UK LTD

Suite 206 Fort Dunlop, Fort Parkway

Birmingham

B24 9FD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Companies House

01758622

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £130,700

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

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