West Cumbrian firm wins £30 million nuclear contract

Romar Innovate has been awarded a contract to provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) group.

The Cleator Moor based firm will provide services to NDA sites across the UK, including Sellafield.

The contract is worth an estimated £30 million over 4 years.

Sellafield Ltd led the procurement process on behalf of the NDA group.

It will unlock additional investment by Romar Innovate in its West Cumbria operation and underlines Sellafield Ltd's ability to leverage opportunity for its local community via its supply chain strategy.

Susan Lussem, Sellafield Ltd supply chain director said:

Keeping our workforce safe is our highest priority.

Access to high quality, cost-effective PPE is vital to maintaining safety and allowing us to progress our mission to create a safe environment for future generations.

I'm delighted Romar Innovate, a fantastic West Cumbrian small and medium-sized enterprise (SME), will be providing these vital services across the UK, including at Sellafield.

I'd like to thank previous provider Arco for their high-quality service, investment in West Cumbria, and vital support for our community during the COVID-19 response.

Romar Innovate is part of the JBS Group.

The contract will see the company supply Sellafield Ltd, Dounreay Site Restoration Ltd, Nuclear Transport Solutions, the Low Level Waste Repository, Magnox Ltd and the National Nuclear Laboratory.

Its winning bid includes innovative proposals to drive down costs and provide greater efficiency for the UK taxpayer.

The company has pledged to create additional jobs in West Cumbria and will deliver community benefits including funding and mentoring for local entrepreneurs, and educational scholarships.

Margaret Johnstone of Romar Innovate said:

We're delighted to have secured this recent tender competition.

This allows us to continue investment in our Cumbria based infrastructure and personnel, and we look forward to maintaining our high levels of service and innovation in partnership with our clients across the NDA group.