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Award

£12,515,833

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04cd52

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

£12,515,833

Reference number

711121451 - PEDT/0030 - Coolers

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 42122161 - Cooling-water pumps

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Platform Equipment Delivery Team part of the Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract to Naval Group Limited (“Naval Group”) for the purchase of four additional Fresh Water Cooling Heat Exchanger (HEATEX) units (“Units”) to be installed on submarines.

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: £12,515,833

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 35512200 - Attack submarine nuclear fuelled

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK41 - Plymouth

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Platform Equipment Delivery Team part of the Ministry of Defence, intends to procure four additional Fresh Water Cooling Heat Exchanger (HEATEX) units (“Units”) to be installed on submarines.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this contract falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that this contract can be awarded without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons.

This is because Naval Group is the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the Units, which are a bespoke. Only Naval Group has the necessary technical drawings, specialist tooling, knowledge and experience to supply these replacement Units, which will be manufactured to an improved specification.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

711121451

Title

PEDT/0030 Reactor Fresh Water-Cooling Heat Exchangers (Coolers)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Naval Group

40-42 rue du docteur Finlay

Paris

75015

Country

France

NUTS code

- FR - France

National registration number

441 133 808

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £12,515,833

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V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom