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Award

The supply of Artillery & Howitzer components and Armoured Vehicle weapons systems including 105mm Light Gun Spares.

Ministry of Defence, DSG, Defence Support Group (DSG)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

The supply of Artillery & Howitzer components and Armoured Vehicle weapons systems including 105mm Light Gun Spares.

Reference number

IRM17/2331

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35420000 - Parts of military vehicles

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Babcock Land Defence Limited, acting as agent for the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to negotiate a contract with BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd for the supply of Artillery & Howitzer components and Armoured Vehicle weapons systems including 105mm Light Gun Spares.

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: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

Main site or place of performance

Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Babcock Land Defence Limited, acting as agent for the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to negotiate a contract with BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd for the supply of Artillery & Howitzer components and Armoured Vehicle weapons systems including 105mm Light Gun Spares. The components used are used by the British Army. It is considered that this contract can be awarded using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication pursuant to Article 28(1) (e) of Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011) for technical reasons.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criterion: Commercial Compliance and Price 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 1 year options

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 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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BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd are the original equipment manufacturer and the owner of the design drawings/information, technical specifications and technical expertise ('technical know-how') required to supply these articles. BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd has stated that it has not shared and will not share this technical know-how required to undertake manufacture with any third party (including the UK Ministry of Defence).

Without access to the drawings, information and specifications and not having the technical know-how the UK Ministry of Defence is not in a position to be able to identify the exact technical requirements for the manufacture of the articles and in the absence of this information the performance of the vehicles and/or equipment and the safety of the users of the vehicles/equipment could be at risk if these articles were not supplied by BAE GCS International Ltd. As a result, BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd is the only company with the technical know-how to be able to fulfil this requirement.

This notice is not a request for expressions of interest so please do not apply to be invited to tender. Babcock Land Defence Ltd is to negotiate a single source Contract with the named supplier BAE Systems, GCS International Ltd, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA14 1AF.

Value £4.5M

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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: [2017/S 190-390233](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

IRM17/2331

Title

The supply of Artillery & Howitzer components and Armoured Vehicle weapons systems including 105mm Light Gun Spares.

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 January 2021

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

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £4,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the Authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the [Gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications) website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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