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Contract

In Service Support of Air Particle Detectors

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-060112

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://des.mod.uk>

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

In Service Support of Air Particle Detectors

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35422000 - Electronic and electrical spare parts for military vehicles

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) team, part of the Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) organisation within the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD), have placed a new 5-year contract (with 5x Option Years) with Spectral Laboratories Incorporated as the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM).

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: £2,177,123.57

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- US - United States

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A contract with Spectral Labs Incorporated (SLI) for the In-service support for air particle detectors for a period of 5 years.

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to restricted procedure
- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

A VTN was published and the below explanation was provided:

In accordance with Regulation 4 of the Defence and Security Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) 2019 Regulations (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (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 the award of this contract 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 Contract Regulations 2011 (as amended) for Technical Reasons. Spectral Laboratories Incorporated as the OEM owns key elements of the design of the air particle detectors, and the MOD does not possess sufficient rights to provide to any third party. In any event only Spectral Laboratories Incorporated has the bespoke technical know-how, technical expertise, equipment, and tooling required to perform the services and ensure the continued operational capability of the APD systems. Spectral Laboratories Incorporated is the only Supplier with the required customised facilities and testing capabilities that are compliant with the relevant UK safety regulations to ensure fleet operations are maintained.

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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

Contract No

CBRN/00311

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Spectral Labs Incorporated (SLI)

San Diego

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,177,123.57

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

DE&S

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom