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Award

Command and Staff Trainer (CAST) Contractor Logistic Support and Post Design Services

Ministry of Defence

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03978e

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Email

Ela.Walford100@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://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

Command and Staff Trainer (CAST) Contractor Logistic Support and Post Design Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 34152000 - Training simulators

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Training Simulation Systems Programme within Defence Equipment and Support, part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MoD) is issuing this notice to alert suppliers that the previously advertised Contract Award Notice for Contractor Logistic Support (CLS) and Post Design Services (PDS) for the Command and Staff Trainer (CAST) Contract had the incorrect duration and did not include the value of Option Years. The original Contract Notice stated the price of first 3 (three) years of the contract which was £7,255,512.00 and it did not include the value of the 4 (four) option years. The awarded contract is with Raytheon Systems Limited (RSL) with an estimated total contract value of £19,071,439.00 for the initial three-years and the additional 4 (four) 1 (one)-year option years.

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: £19,071,439

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The requirement is for the provision of Contractor Logistic Support (CLS) and Post Design Services (PDS) for the Command and Staff Trainer (CAST). CAST represents a synthetic training system which facilitates Collective Training (CT) from levels 4 to 6, representing higher formation battle training for commanders and their staff, enabling planning and execution of operations within a simulated virtual environment

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract is for initial 3 years and include 4 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 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:

It is considered that placement of this contract using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication of a contract notice is lawful pursuant Regulation 16 (1) (a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for Technical Reasons. Raytheon Systems Limited (RSL), as the original Equipment Manufacturer and own the software for the Advanced Battlefield Computer System (ABACUS), which is an integral part of the CAST system. They are therefore the only supplier who has access to the necessary technical data, source code and design drawings to be able to provide CLS which is the provision of a managed service for the maintenance and repair of existing equipment, which is integral to the delivery of CAST. Further for the reasons previously stated, only RSL has the specific skills, know-how and experience to provide Post Design Services (PDS) for modifications and design alterations/enhancements to the existing software due to this technical knowledge. For these technical reasons, the Contract may only be awarded to RSL.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

TSSP/122

Title

Command and Staff Trainer (CAST) Contractor Logistic Support and Post Design Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 January 2023

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

Raytheon Systems Limited UK

Harlow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £19,071,439

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, Land Equipment, Training and Simulation Systems Programme (TSSP)

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom