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Contract

LASER INDUCED BREAKDOWN SPECTROMETER MACHINES

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

PORTSMOUTH

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.contracts.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

LASER INDUCED BREAKDOWN SPECTROMETER MACHINES

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38433000 - Spectrometers

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Notice of contract award

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: £775,832.10

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Purchase of 3 Laser induced breakdown spectrometer machines.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options for support for years 6-10.

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

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Royal Navy, part of the Ministry of Defence, intends to award a 10 year contract with a value of £775832 to GasTops Ltd for the purchase and support of 3 Laser Induced Breakdown Spectrometers (Spectrometer), which are used to analyse component damage on aircraft.

In accordance with the provisions of The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 SI No. 2020/1319, this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR 2015) as amended (in particular by SI 2020/1319). 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 the contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

This is because this Spectrometer is considered to be the only equipment available in the market with the bespoke capability to automatically and autonomously identify the materials composition of debris particles generated within aircraft oil wetted systems, using the required analytical method of Laser Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 January 2023

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

GAS TOPS

Ottawa

Country

Canada

NUTS code

- CA - Canada

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £775,832.10

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence

Portsmouth

Country

United Kingdom