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#### Award

# Manufacture and Supply of a Superplastic Forming Die & Fixing System

University of Strathclyde

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM82 - Glasgow City

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Main address

http://www.strath.ac.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0011 3

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Education

# Section II: Object

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Manufacture and Supply of a Superplastic Forming Die & Fixing System

Reference number

UOS-17912-2020

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 43700000 - Machinery for metallurgy and associated parts

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Boeing Company (Boeing) approached the Advanced Forming Research Centre

(AFRC) for research and development support in creating new manufacturing equipment and processes to meet the demand for key aircraft components. With the Boeing Innovative Metals Forming R&D Initiative and AFRC's capital assets and expertise, one of Boeing's requirements for AFRC is that they engage in state of the art manufacturing research projects that push the boundaries of technology for superplastic forming (SPF) and incremental bulk forming processes. As a result, Boeing has a requirement that the Manufacture and Supply of a Superplastic Forming Die & Fixing System is procured as part of this research and development programme.

#### 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: £121,716

## **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### 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 without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - ° protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### Explanation:

The project is funded by Boeing. Part of the requirement, the Superplastic Forming Die Fixing System requires to be designed with reference to designs which are owned by Boeing and which are included in the tender specification. In order to protect Boeing's exclusive rights, these designs cannot be shared on the open market. As these designs are integral to the project requirements and this procurement requirement, no reasonable alternatives exists.

#### 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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 February 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

Cronite Castings Ltd

Blacknell Lane

Crewkerne

TA18 7YA

Telephone

+44 7834500388

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK23 - Somerset

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: £121,716

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.3) Additional information

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# VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court

1 Carlton Pl

Glasgow

G5 9TW

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United Kingdom