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Contract

## **Purchase of Scientific Echosounder Systems**

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b07f

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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UKM - Scotland

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Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Purchase of Scientific Echosounder Systems

Reference number

CASE/693111

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38114000 - Echo sounders

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Marine Directorate has a requirement to place a contract with a supplier for the purchase of Scientific Echosounder Systems for MRV Scotia.

#### **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: £233,120

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45214630 - Scientific installations
- 48460000 - Analytical, scientific, mathematical or forecasting software package

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

On board, MRV Scotia

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

Marine Directorate has a requirement to place a contract with a supplier for the purchase of Scientific Echosounder Systems for MRV Scotia.

The MRV Scotia, is currently equipped with an aging, ( 20+ years), suite of scientific echosounders operating at 4 individual frequencies. The current system is now unsupported in terms of replacement components. Although currently operational, some of the channels are showing signs of water ingress into cables. The transducers are mounted on the retractable drop keel which allows easy access to them in port when raised.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery of Requirements / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Staff Competence, Knowledge & Experience / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Management / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Health & Safety and Risk Management / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-034303](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

CASE/693111

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

30 December 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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[www.echomastermarine.co.uk](http://www.echomastermarine.co.uk)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £233,120

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

SPD will be scored on a pass/fail basis.

Question scoring methodology for Award Criteria outlined in Invitation to Tender.

0 - Unacceptable. Nil or inadequate response. Fails to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirement.

1 - Poor. Response is partially relevant but generally poor. The response addresses some elements of the requirement but contains insufficient/limited detail or explanation to demonstrate how the requirement will be fulfilled.

2 - Acceptable. Response is relevant and acceptable. The response addresses a broad understanding of the requirement but may lack details on how the requirement will be fulfilled in certain areas.

3 - Good. Response is relevant and good. The response is sufficiently detailed to demonstrate a good understanding and provides details on how the requirements will be fulfilled.

4 - Excellent. Response is completely relevant and excellent overall. The response is comprehensive, unambiguous and demonstrates a thorough understanding of the requirement and provides details of how the requirement will be met in full.

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=538689](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=538689).

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help\\_guides.aspx](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx).

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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