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Planning

Materiel Distribution Land (MDL) Heavy Equipment Transporter (HET)

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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Further information

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I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:

Materiel Distribution Land (MDL) Heavy Equipment Transporter (HET)

II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance

UK

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

II.3) Information on framework agreement

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement: No

II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services

Requirement

The Ministry of Defence (the Authority) under the Materiel Distribution Land (MDL) programme is developing a requirement project for Heavy Equipment Transporter (HET) platform, circa 70 to 90 vehicles, and an integrated support solution service for an initial period of ten years, with potential options to extend beyond the initial period. Aspirational Full Operating Capability (FOC) is June 2029.

This requirement aims to introduce a new, technologically advanced system for the delivery of heavy and out-of-gauge equipment, with a minimum threshold of eighty-five (85) metric tonnes, featuring improved low mobility lift capabilities. This system will significantly improve and sustain the operational movement of heavy, mission-critical equipment well into the future.

The primary role is to transport heavy armoured equipment, but it must also be capable of moving lighter equipment into the theatre of operations. Additionally, this equipment will be used during peacetime for training delivery both in the UK and overseas.

The requirement includes the acquisition, repair, maintenance and, through-life service options through innovative partnered solutions.

The Authority will require its HET fleet to be supported via a blended maintenance solution of Original Equipment Manufacturer and Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers (REME) personnel for the whole fleet. This is likely to require a suitable number of appropriately qualified and security cleared vehicle maintainers/technicians working within MoD base venue/s, conducting the majority of maintenance, alongside regular Army personnel.

Route to Market:

This Prior Information Notice has been issued to enable industry awareness of the MDL HET. This is a pre-concept brief, and the Authority is not committed to exact requirements or to establish the project or programme.

Next Steps:

Any further Market Engagement shall be communicated and advertised via the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP).

Lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 34000000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

Section IV: Procedure

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.2) Additional information

The Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit www.contracts.mod.uk for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.