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## **Repair, Remanufacture & Maintenance of ESW Challenger 2 Auxiliary Power Units**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04dc36

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Ministry of Defence

Building B15, MOD Donnington

Telford

TF2 8JT

#### **Contact**

IRM Repair Team

#### **Email**

[IRMprocurementrepairteam@babcockinternational.com](mailto:IRMprocurementrepairteam@babcockinternational.com)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.contracts.mod.uk>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Repair, Remanufacture & Maintenance of ESW Challenger 2 Auxiliary Power Units

Reference number

IRM22/7628

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 50100000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services of vehicles and related equipment

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Babcock Land Defence Limited acting as the UK Ministry of Defence's agent, intends to negotiate a single source Contract with Van Kappel Ltd for the Repair, Maintenance & Overhaul of the Challenger 2 ESW Auxiliary Power Units.

It is considered that the contract shall be awarded to Van Kappel Ltd using the negotiated procedure without prior publication pursuant to Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons as Van Kappel Ltd are the only supplier with the specific know-how, STTE and ownership of the bespoke OEM designed APU Test Set and associated tooling.

the UK Ministry of Defence is not in a position to be able to identify the exact technical requirements which are required to ensure the safety and suitability of the repairs, and that the interoperability of the Auxiliary Power Units with the platform is not compromised to be able to provide the equipment support services required by the UK Ministry of Defence.

This notice is not a request for expressions of interest so please do not apply to be invited to tender. Babcock is to negotiate a single source framework agreement with the named supplier.

Van Kappel Ltd

Risk Assessment Ref: 410779015.

Cyber Risk Profile: Very Low.

#### **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: £30,000,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

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

Repair, Remanufacture & Maintenance of ESW Challenger 2 Auxiliary Power Units

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

Price

## **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

3 x 1 option years

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2.14) Additional information**

This notice is not a request for expression of interest, so please do not apply to be invited to tender. This notice advises that Babcock Land Defence Limited, acting as agent for the UK MOD is to place a single source contract with the named supplier.

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## **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:

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## Overhaul of the Challenger 2 ESW Auxiliary Power Units.

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### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

### **Contract No**

IRM22/7628

### **Title**

Contract for the Repair, Remanufacture & Maintenance of ESW CR2 APU

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

26 November 2024

#### **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**

Van Kappel Limited

Unit 1 Roman Way, Crusader Park,

Warminster

BA12 8SP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Internet address

<https://www.vankappel.co.uk>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £30,000,000

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**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

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