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## **SDA/NP/701549402 - Entity in Charge of Maintenance 2**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029a97

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

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

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UK - UNITED KINGDOM

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/submarine-delivery-agency>

**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**

SDA/NP/701549402 - Entity in Charge of Maintenance 2

Reference number

SDA/NP/701549402

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 34621000 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles, and railway freight wagons

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

VTN/ VEAT Notice:

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice.

For: Confirmation of Entity in charge of Maintenance (ECM).

### **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: £180,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 34620000 - Rolling stock
- 34621100 - Railway freight wagons
- 34621200 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles

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

NUTS codes

- UKD - NORTH WEST (ENGLAND)
- UKG - WEST MIDLANDS (ENGLAND)
- UKK - SOUTH WEST (ENGLAND)
- UKM - SCOTLAND

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

Confirmation of Entity in Charge of Maintenance (ECM).

The Submarine Delivery Agency's (SDA) Irradiated Fuel Management Team, a part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MoD), intends to award a Contract to Direct Rail Services for an initial 3 and a half years, with the option to extend for up to a further 5 years.

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

Criterion: Compliance. 100

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Up to an additional 5 years in 1 year increments.

Feasibility study into extending the life of the MODs two MODAs (railway wagons) beyond 2027.

Possible life span extension work to the MODAs.

### **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**

Current ESTIMATED value is £180,000 (excluding VAT), including options.

ITN with Direct Rail Services = March 2021

Estimated award = June 2021

A further VTN/ VEAT Notice will be published to confirm.

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior 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:

The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

- absence of competition for technical reasons

It is considered that this Contract can be placed using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication of a Contract Notice pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC (Regulations 16(1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011) for technical reasons. These are:

Direct Rail Services are the Registration Holder and Keeper for the two MOD Railway Wagons used to carry used nuclear navel fuel. Direct Rail Services are currently the only licensed nuclear fuel carrier by rail in the UK.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

**Contract No**

SDA/NP/701549402

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

2 March 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**

Direct Rail Services

Regents Court, Baron Way

Carlisle

CA6 4SJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £180,000

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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.3) Additional information**

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

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

As section 1

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