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## **Air Environment Safety Assessment Tool Technical Support, Training**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0319c4

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

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

Ministry of Defence

MOD Abbey Wood

Bristol

BS34 8JH

#### **Email**

[simon.puckle382@mod.gov.uk](mailto:simon.puckle382@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.mod.uk](http://www.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**

Air Environment Safety Assessment Tool Technical Support, Training

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

- 72261000 - Software support services

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

Services

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

Provision of Software based Air Environment Safety Assessment Tool Technical Support & Training

#### **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: £445,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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

Provision of Software based Air Environment Safety Assessment Tool Technical Support & Training

#### **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

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:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The DE&S Air Domain Safety & Engineering Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract to NCC Group for the Air Environment Safety Assessment Tool on-going Technical Support for existing licenses, technical support and any user training. The Contract will be for a duration of three years. The intended Contract start date will be 31st March 2022.

It is considered that this Contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for technical reasons. This is on the basis that: (a) NCC Group are the only supplier able to provide software that meets all the MoD's requirements, including its technical and airworthiness safety requirements; to utilize 3rd party software, software support and training would create significant and unacceptable risk to Air Safety across multiple Aircraft Platforms resulting in a loss of airworthiness and a substantial and unacceptable reduction in the operability of all the affected aircraft platforms (b) only NCC Group, as the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the Software, associated software support and training, have the necessary skills, experience and knowledge to provide the required technical support and user training and (c) only NCC Group have access to the necessary technical data, as they own the background IP to the software's generic modules and source code required to provide the technical support.

#### 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**

702285450

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

19 February 2022

#### **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**

NCC Group

XYZ Building, 2 Hardman Boulevard, Spinningfields

Manchester

M3 3AQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

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: £445,000

### **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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