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Award

LIGHTNING SHIELD & TIGERTRAP Support Contract

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

LIGHTNING SHIELD & TIGERTRAP Support Contract

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72212732 - Data security software development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Services contract in support of LIGHTNING SHIELD & TIGERTRAP sovereign data gateway.

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: £686,131.18

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ25 - West Surrey

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Services contract for the support of LIGHTNING SHIELD & TIGERTRAP sovereign data gateway.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

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 Lightning II Delivery Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD), intends to place a 2+1 year contract with Waymont Consulting Ltd (Waymont) for the continued support including repair/replacement of parts of the LIGHTNING SHIELD and TIGERTRAP network traffic inspection device. The contract has a value of £686,131. It is considered that this Contract can be placed in accordance with Regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a Contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the Contract without prior publication of a Contract notice in the UK e-notification service is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons.

LIGHTNING SHIELD is a file validation software application that runs on the TIGERTRAP gateway device. Together LIGHTNING SHIELD and TIGERTRAP form the Sovereign Data Gateway (SDG) in support of the F35 Lightning II aircraft. LIGHTNING SHIELD acts as an inspection device, responsible for monitoring all network traffic between ALIS-CPE (UK) and ALIS-ALOU (USA). Waymont is the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of both the TIGERTRAP hardware and LIGHTNING SHIELD software solution under a proprietary design that was approved by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC). Only Waymont has the requisite technical know-how, tools and means, including proprietary documentation and information to carry out the services required. Waymont is not prepared to authorise any third party to use its proprietary information and the MOD does not hold, nor does it have the right to obtain or use, the necessary documentation or information from Waymont and cannot authorise a third party to carry out maintenance work to either the software or the hardware.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

713974453

Title

LIGHTNING SHIELD & TIGERTRAP Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 February 2025

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

Waymont Consulting Limited

1st Floor, 20 Nugent Road, Surrey Research Park

Guildford

GU2 7AF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ25 - West Surrey

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £686,131.18

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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