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Planning

Services, calibration, repair and maintenance of OTTO Fuel Monitor (OFM) including spares provision.

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

Other type

Ministry of Defence

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

The contracting authority/entity is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities:

No

Section II: Object

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

Services, calibration, repair and maintenance of OTTO Fuel Monitor (OFM) including spares provision.

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

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

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

The Authority has a requirement for Services, calibration, repair and maintenance of OTTO Fuel Monitor (OFM), including spares provision. The OTTO Fuel Monitor (OFM) Mk2 is a hand held instrument designed to monitor for the presence of OTTO vapour in Cat C environments, in the event of fuel-leaks from Torpedoes. OFMs are used to monitor the atmosphere where Spearfish Torpedoes are stored and processed, this includes DM Beith and on board submarines.

OTTO fuel is toxic and relatively small concentrations can cause respiratory problems, headaches and nausea. Continued use of the OFMs is required to ensure the health and safety of personnel operating/maintaining the Spearfish Torpedo, and to ensure the continued safe storage and processing of Spearfish torpedoes.

The OFMs require calibration after 6 months of use. The current holding of OFMs and Desensitised Otto Fuel Monitors (DOFMs) is 110 units.

The contract will be for 5-years to commence quarter 1/quarter 2 2022 (subject to change), with one 2 year option. The Contractor is required to conduct an initial survey and calibrate and/or repair the in-service OFMs and DOFMs as and when they are returned from Defence Munitions (DM) Beith. There will also be a requirement to complete project management activities and management and delivery of spares as required. An additional tasking element shall provide the Authority with a means to request project activity outside of the core element, at additional cost.

Should this requirement proceed, a Contract Notice will be published in due course with more precise requirements and interested parties will be invited to complete an online Pre-Qualification Questionnaire, which will be measured against selected criteria in terms of commercial and technical requirements.

Estimated value excluding VAT

£640,000

II.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 50840000 - Repair and maintenance services of weapons and weapon systems

II.6) Scheduled date for start of award procedures and duration of the contract

Start date: 1 March 2022

End date: 28 February 2027

II.7) Additional information

The contract will be for 5-years to commence quarter 1/quarter 2 2022 (subject to change) until 28/02/2027, with one 2 year option.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.2) Additional information

The contracting Authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are Small or Medium Enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement. Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence (MOD) should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at www.contracts.mod.uk. The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

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.