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Contract

Fully inclusive support for NewWaveX and Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) 1641 and IEEE1671 compliant software tools used by the MOD

DE&S Deca

F03: Contract award notice Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-005874 Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e413 Published 19 February 2025, 2:35pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

DE&S Deca

Welsh Road, Sealand.

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CH5 3RJ

Email

des-deca-mst-procurement@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/des-deca

Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/des-deca

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

Fully inclusive support for NewWaveX and Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) 1641 and IEEE1671 compliant software tools used by the MOD

Reference number

711966452

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72511000 - Network management software services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In Service Support for IEEE Software Use

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: £702,500

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In Service Support for IEEE Software Use

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - · absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

DE&S Deca, as part of the UK Ministry of Defence, have awarded a contract with Spherea Test & Services Ltd, for the Perpetual licences and appropriate software support for a period of 3 years firm followed by 2 years fixed. It is considered that procuring this service using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication in accordance with regulation 4 of the Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) is lawful as 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 (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 for documentational or technical reasons as the services to be provided under the contract can only be supplied by the Contractor, and that therefore, competition is absent. Spherea Test and Services Ltd., as the sole developer and owner of this product, hold the design rights and specific know-how to provide the service and associated licences. Spherea Test and Services Ltd have stated they are not willing to share this information with any 3rd parties within the UK and Europe and are the only supplier capable of providing the required level of support.

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

Contract No

711966452

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Spherea Test & Services Ltd

Building 400, Aviation Business Park, Bournemouth International Airport,

Christchurch

BH23 6NW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £702,500

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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