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Award

SDA/NP/709826453: Entity In Charge of Maintenance 2 (second round)

Submarine Delivery Agency

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04449d

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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<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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

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: £123,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34620000 - Rolling stock
- 34621000 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles, and railway freight wagons
- 34621200 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKJ - South East (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 T/A Nuclear Transport Solutions for 6 years with a +1 option to extend.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criterion: Compliance 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

+ 1 Year option to extend.

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 award value is circa £123,000 (excluding VAT).

ITN with Direct Rail Services T/A Nuclear Transport Solutions = November/ December 2023.

Estimated award = March 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without 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:

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 naval 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

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

SDA/NP/709826453

Title

Entity In Charge of Maintenance

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 February 2024

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 Ltd Trading as Nuclear Transport Solutions

Regents Court, Baron Way Kingmoor Business Park

Carlisle

CA6 4SJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.directrailservices.com/>

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: £123,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice.

A previous Invitation to Negotiate with Direct Rail Services for this requirement was issued in 2021 which, due to unforeseen issues did not result in the award of a contract.

Previous Publication references:

2021:

tender_267347/931422 and

2021/S 000-004902 (VEAT/ VTN)

2023:

tender_403748/1292584

This is therefore a repeat of the previous exercise (a second round) .

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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