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## **Purchase of Combilift C16000s**

Warrenpoint Harbour Authority

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-032356

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

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

Warrenpoint Harbour Authority

The Docks, Warrenpoint, Newry, County Down, BT34 3JR Northern Ireland

County Down

BT34 3JR

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKN - Northern Ireland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://warrenpointport.com/>

**I.6) Main activity**

Port-related activities

## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Purchase of Combilift C16000s

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

- 42400000 - Lifting and handling equipment and parts

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

Supplies

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

A contract for the supply and purchase of 3 Combilift C16000 forklifts.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

A contract for the supply and purchase of 3 Combilift C16000 forklifts.

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: 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 Contract is to be awarded to Briggs Equipment UK Limited (Briggs) pursuant to Regulation 50(1)(c)(ii) of the Utilities

Contracts Regulations 2016 (the Regulations). For the reasons set out below, Warrenpoint Harbour Authority (WHA) is of the view that the Contract can only be awarded to Briggs because competition is absent for technical reasons, and no reasonable alternative exists.

Having undertaken research on the forklifts available in the market, WHA is of the view that the Combilift C16000 is the only product in the market that is capable of fulfilling its technical and health and safety requirements, due to its multi-directional , side loading, 900mm load-base and load lifting capacity, which will enable consistent low level carriage of steel beams within spatially constrained aisles in WHA's steelyard. WHA understand that the C16000 is the only multi-directional forklift in the market with a 16 tonne capacity. WHA have been informed by Combilift that Briggs is the relevant sales agent from whom WHA can purchase the C16000s that meet its technical requirements.

In light of the above, WHA is of the view that if it were to put the contract opportunity out to tender in accordance with the Regulations genuine competition for it would be absent, and in the circumstances there is no reasonable alternative to the Combilift C16000.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

17 March 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**

Briggs Equipment UK Limited

9 Michelin Road

Newtownabbey

BT36 4PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Warrenpoint Harbour Authority intends to enter into this contract following a minimum 10 day calendar day standstill period starting on the day after this notice is published in the UK Find a Tender Service . The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (the Regulations) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or who are at risk of harm by a breach of the Regulations to bring proceedings in the High Court. Any such proceedings must be brought within the limitation period specified by the Regulations

according to the remedy sought.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In accordance with Part 5 of the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016