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710019452 - MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF REPLACEMENT FIRE DETECTION SYSTEMS FOR VANGUARD CLASS

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.contracts.mod.uk>

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

710019452 - MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF REPLACEMENT FIRE DETECTION SYSTEMS FOR VANGUARD CLASS

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 31625100 - Fire-detection systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Ships Marine Systems Support (MSS) Fire and Escape Systems (FES) team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S), intends to place a contact with Tyco Fire and Integrated Systems Ltd to procure the final two sets of the T2000 Minerva Fire Detection System (FDS).

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) for technical reasons.

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: £228,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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In accordance with Chapter 4 of the Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI2019/697) this procurement is regulated under the provisions of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). And therefore 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) for technical reasons.

This is because the T2000 Minerva FDS is already installed on two of the V-class submarines. This contract will procure the additional two systems required to bring all V-class boats to the same material state and only Tyco Fire and Integrated Systems Ltd are able to supply this particular system. Crew members are routinely moved between vessels for career progression and to cover short term vacancies. The safety of the vessel is highly dependent on the operators and maintainers carrying out the correct actions, at the correct time, in the shortest time possible. To have different FDS on vessels where crew members routinely

move between and operate in emergent safety situations, introduces an unacceptable safety risk which prevents the system from being declared as operated with a safety risk 'As Low As Reasonably Practicable' (ALARP) which cannot be mitigated by additional training. This would prevent the system from obtaining whole vessel Fire Safety Certification and Magazine Safety Certification.

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

- 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:

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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

710019452

Title

MSS/140 MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF REPLACEMENT FIRE DETECTION SYSTEMS
FOR VANGUARD CLASS

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 March 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

TYCO FIRE & INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS (UK) LIMITED

Tyco Park, Grimshaw Lane, Newton Heath

Manchester

M40 2WL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

01952517

Internet address

<https://www.tyco-fire.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: £228,000

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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