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Award

Extended Duration Breathing Apparatus (EDBA) In Service Support (ISS)

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Internet address(es)

Main address

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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

Extended Duration Breathing Apparatus (EDBA) In Service Support (ISS)

Reference number

701485374

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 35111100 - Breathing apparatus for firefighting

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Defence Equipment and Support Group (DE&S), part of the UK Ministry of Defence (the Authority), proposes to place a single source contract with Scott Health & Safety Ltd (Scott Safety) who are owned by 3M. This contract will be for the In-Service Support of the current Extended Duration Breathing Apparatus (EDBA) which is an In-Service Navy Capability which enables vessels and shore establishments to perform firefighting duties. This contract is to be placed for the Contract term of 1st October 2021 up to 30th September 2026, this is made up of 5 years (plus 1 +1 option years).

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: £9,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKD47 - Chorley and West Lancashire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The contract is for the provision of in-service support (including management and technical support), spares, repair and refurbishment, engineering support and Ad Hoc Tasking of the current EBDA equipment.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criterion: Single source evaluation 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 1 year (October 2026 - September 2028)

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:

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication pursuant to Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011, due to technical reasons. This is because Scott Health & Safety Ltd is the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) for the EDBA set (Scott Safety ProPak). As the OEM and Design Authority (DA), Scott Health & Safety Ltd is the only economic operator that has access to the design documentation, Specifications and test reports and Scott Health & Safety Ltd owns all proprietary information and documentation, including the special tooling and machinery (which manufactures the bespoke EDBA Set and Spares), that is essential in fulfilling the requirement. The Authority does not have any proprietary rights in, nor does it have access to, the design documentation, specifications, test reports or specialist tooling and machinery and is therefore unable to pass this information on to any third party.

EDBA was introduced into Service 22 years ago, Scott Health & Safety Ltd designed, developed and installed EDBA system across all of the UK Ministry of Defence's platforms and as the OEM and DA has supported the equipment since. They are the only economic operator with the necessary technical knowhow and certification required to fulfil the requirement. As the OEM, only Scott Safety is able to gain certification for their products. As the Safety Certification holder, only Scott Safety is able to make changes, modifications or upgrades to the EDBA equipment. If a third party was to make any changes/adjustments to the equipment the certification would be null and void. The Authority is unable to sail any ship without it having adequate provision of EDBA as it is a legally mandated Health and Safety requirement which maintains SOLAS (Safety of life at Sea) as covered in the IMO (International Maritime Organisation) FSS (Fire Safety Systems) Code.

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

701485374

Title

Extended Duration Breathing Apparatus (EDBA) In Service Support (ISS)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 March 2021

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

Scott Health & Safety Ltd

Skelmersdale

WN8 9RA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKD47 - Chorley and West Lancashire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £9,000,000

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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

DE&S Ships

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom