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M134DC Mini Gun Spares & In-Service Support

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b6d8

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.mod.gov.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

M134DC Mini Gun Spares & In-Service Support

Reference number

707403450

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35321300 - Machine guns

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

M134DC Mini Gun Spares & In-Service Support

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: £3,300,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- US - United States

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of spares, repairs, fault investigation and Technical support to the M134DC Mini Gun

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:

The International Guns, Missiles and Rockets Project Team (IGMR PT), on behalf of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence (UK MoD), is intending to place a 5-year contract, of

approximately £3.5m with Dillon Aero for the provision of In-Service Support for the M134D Machine Gun System on Chinook platforms. The in-service support includes the supply of weapon systems and parts, repair, modification, technical support (including fault investigation) and spares.

it should be considered that this contract can be placed using the non-competitive negotiated procedure, pursuant to Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence Security Public Contracts Regulations (DSPCR) 2015, due to technical reasons.

M134D is the main weapon system that is fitted across the Chinook fleet, actively deployed on operations and with a heavy involvement in almost all operations since entering service. The requirement is to maintain the capability of M134D on Chinook platforms, by providing a means to purchase replacement items, as well as having support for investigating potential faults, repairs, modifications or other technical advice.

Dillon Aero Inc hold all the technical knowledge, manufacturing equipment/tooling, interoperability data and safety documentation required to fulfil the contract, maintain the capability and fulfil user requirements. Dillon Aero Inc are the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and Design Organisation (DO) of the M134D Machine Gun System. Dillon are the only manufacturer and supplier of the parts required for spares, as well as the only supplier having the specific tooling and expertise to make repairs/modifications. Any non-OEM components used in combination with the existing fleet will invalidate all safety and performance assurances. For the reasons of technical impracticability and specific technical knowledge, which only Dillon Aero has at its disposal, the contract may only be awarded to Dillon Aero Inc.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 March 1900

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

Dillon Aero Inc.

21615 North 7th Avenue

Phoenix, Arizona

85027

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

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: £3,300,000

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom