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## **Teledyne CARIS HIPS & Sips Support Contract**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-044b6c

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

[ashley.case101@mod.gov.uk](mailto:ashley.case101@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://contracts.mod.uk/web/login.html>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Teledyne CARIS HIPS & Sips Support Contract

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

- 38290000 - Surveying, hydrographic, oceanographic and hydrological instruments and appliances

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

Supplies

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

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#### **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: £252,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

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

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend contract in year

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: 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 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 United Kingdom Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract to Teledyne Caris Inc. ("Caris") for the supply and maintenance of specialist software to support the analysis, formatting and correction of data gathered by hydrographic sonar systems on board Royal Naval ("RN") vessels (the "Contract"). The Contract will have a duration of 5 years plus 1 option year.

It is considered that this Contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication pursuant to Article 32(2)(b)(ii) of Directive 2014/24/EU (Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102) on the basis that the relevant products and services can be supplied only by Caris, competition being absent for technical reasons. To award the Contract to any other economic operator would have a major impact on operations as well as quality of survey data outputs, hence Safety of life At Sea (SOLAS) charting obligations and military specific bathymetric requirements provided by the Royal Navy for navigational and operational safety. There would also be an impact on Training causing severe disruption and a significant change in the Flag Officer Sea Training (FOST) Hydrographer Meteorologists (HM) course and syllabuses which would cause a reduction of the timely output of training the HM Fleet.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

## **Contract No**

710926452

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

11 August 2023

#### **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**

Teledyne CARIS

Fredericton

Country

Canada

NUTS code

- CA - Canada

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: £252,000

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#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Ministry of Defence, Naval Ships Support

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom