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## **Support and Spares Provisions for Installed Engine Test Facility**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

[robert.kyte100@mod.gov.uk](mailto:robert.kyte100@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

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

Main address

<https://des.mod.uk/>

#### **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**

Support and Spares Provisions for Installed Engine Test Facility

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

- 34312000 - Engine parts

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

Supplies

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

The Air Commodities Delivery Team (ACDT) in the Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) Department of the Ministry of Defence (MoD), is seeking to place a contract for the provision of spares and repairs for three Installed Engine Test Facilities (IETF) currently at RAF Valley, RNAS Culdrose and RAF Leeming.

The intended length of the contract is 1 year with a further 3 years of options. This contract has an estimated value of £950,000 over the 4 years. It is the intention of the Authority to place a single source contract with Cullum Detuners Ltd under regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations (DSPCR) 2011.

The IETFs provide optimal operation in terms of acoustic attenuation, entrainment, and thermal performance during installed engine testing. Detuners are bespoke in terms of their compatibility with the air platforms they are built to accommodate. This compatibility includes meeting aeroengine thrust parameters, noise suppression, and environmental protection. The Hawk detuners in scope of this contract are designed to expand on a linear plane to ensure maximum aural protection and protection against hot exhaust gas escapement. The contract to support these IETFs will include a repair service and provision of spare parts.

Cullum Detuners Ltd are the Original Equipment Manufacturer and designed and built the IETF to meet the specific requirements of the Hawk platform. Cullum Detuners Ltd have the technical expertise due to their historic knowledge of the facility and access to technical information to ensure the IETFs continue to meet the required performance level and safe use in terms of thermal and acoustic properties. No third party has the technical knowledge or access to the technical information to repair this facility and sourcing parts from an

alternative source will require significant reverse engineering and testing to ensure that the same levels of aural protection and protection against hot exhaust gas escapement are met. If the required expertise is not established with the supplier, this would result in a significant gap in capability, which is unacceptable in terms of the health and safety risk and legislative compliance risk.

### **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: £950,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Support and Spares Provisions for Installed Engine Test Facility

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criterion: Technical Expertise 100

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Contract can be extended up to 3 additional years

### **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 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

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## **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 July 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**

Cullum Detuners Ltd

Heanor

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £950,000

#### **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**

Air Commodities Delivery Team

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom