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Planning

Defence Water Services Programme Provision

Defence Infrastructure Organisation

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Scope

Reference

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Description

The Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MoD), is considering options to secure the provision of water and wastewater services and the operation and maintenance of MOD's private water network upon the expiry of the Aquatrine PFIs in 2028 and 2030.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,500,000,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 February 2028 to 1 December 2038
- Possible extension to 1 December 2041
- 13 years, 10 months, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 65110000 - Water distribution
- 50413200 - Repair and maintenance services of firefighting equipment
- 50411100 - Repair and maintenance services of water meters
- 45232451 - Drainage and surface works
- 71900000 - Laboratory services
- 44482200 - Fire hydrants
- 48444100 - Billing system
- 44163112 - Drainage system
- 79993000 - Building and facilities management services

Contract locations

- UKM - Scotland

- UKL - Wales
- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

Engagement

Engagement deadline

1 October 2025

Engagement process description

The Defence Water Services Programme is looking to engage with the potential service providers to help shape the delivery of services after the expiry of the Aquatrine PFIs. The nature of engagement will be in a variety of ways, such as bilateral discussions, surveys and questionnaires, industry engagement events and other formats as required.

Further UK2 Preliminary Market Engagement Notices may be issued as engagement process evolves.

If you are interested in being involved in this engagement and have not already done so, please email DIODCT-PFIRP@mod.gov.uk

Engagement on this Programme commenced in December 2022, under the PCR15 regime, and has included 2 Industry days, one in March 2023 and one in February 2025,

as well as a series of Bi-Lateral meetings with interested parties.

3 Notices were issued during that time and are referenced below:

Prior Information Notice (Notice reference: 2022/S 000-035322) published on 14 December 2022.

Prior Information Notice (Notice reference: 2025/S 000-001231) published on 14 January 2025.

Prior Information Notice (Notice reference: 2025/S 000-000178) published on 6 January 2025.

Contracting authority

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