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## **Land Environment Air Picture Provision (LEAPP) Obsolescence**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Defence Equipment & Support, Abbey Wood

Bristol

BS34 8JH

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Martyn Settle

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.des.mod.uk](http://www.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**

Land Environment Air Picture Provision (LEAPP) Obsolescence

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

- 35723000 - Air defence radar

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

Supplies

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

The Joint Sensor and Engagement Networks (JSENS) Delivery Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence (the Authority), intends to place a contract with Lockheed Martin UK Ampthill (LMUKA) Limited (the Contractor) for obsolescence management for the Land Environment Air Picture Provision (LEAPP) capability. LEAPP has been in-service since November 2014 and now requires critical software and hardware updates to enable the existing equipment to

maintain the LEAPP capability.

#### **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: £20,000,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

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

LEAPP has been in-service since November 2014 and now requires critical software and hardware updates to enable the existing equipment to maintain the LEAPP capability.

#### **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

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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:

It is considered that this requirement 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 for technical reasons.

As the Design Authority and original system integrator, only the Contractor has the required technical expertise to integrate the complex software with minimal hardware updates, making best use of the existing hardware developed under the LEAPP D&M phase.

The LEAPP system requires a combination of several software components consisting of bespoke specialist and military off the shelf software and COTS packages that are managed as an integrated operational software build. The Contractor has the in-depth platform, capability and hardware understanding of the architectural decisions which have developed and maintained the LEAPP capability to date, including the technical complexities of the software intensive system.

Due to the complexity of the system architecture these updates to the LEAPP system will require the Contractor's continued expertise to successfully integrate while maintaining the in-service capability, therefore avoiding risk of degradation to the Safety and Performance of the system. Accordingly, for technical reasons, LMUKA is the only contractor which is able to fulfil this requirement.

#### **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**

8 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**

Lockheed Martin UK Ampthill Limited

Reddings Wood

Ampthill

MK45 2HD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

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: £20,000,000

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

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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

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

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