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## **The Repair, Remanufacture and Maintenance of Chain Gun Control Units and Associated Assemblies**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046986

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

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

Ministry of Defence

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Telford

TF2 8JT

#### **Contact**

IRM Procurement Repair Team

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.contracts.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**

The Repair, Remanufacture and Maintenance of Chain Gun Control Units and Associated Assemblies

Reference number

IRM23/7647

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

- 50620000 - Repair and maintenance services of firearms and ammunition

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

Services

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

Babcock Land Defence Limited, Acting as agent for the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD) proposes to negotiate a single source contract with NSAF Limited for the Repair, Remanufacture and Maintenance of Chain Gun Control Units and Associated Assemblies for a period of 7 years. The estimated total contract value is not to exceed £900,000.

Please note, this notice is not a request for expressions of interest so please do not apply to be invited to tender. This notice advises that the Authority has decided to negotiate a contract with the named supplier on a single source basis, and is published for reasons of transparency. If you are interested in becoming a

sub-contractor for this requirement, you should apply directly to the supplier named above.

#### **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: £900,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

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

The Repair, Remanufacture and Maintenance of Chain Gun Control Units and Associated Assemblies, for a period of 7 years,

### **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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior 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:

In accordance with regulation 4 of the Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this procurement falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no

longer appropriate.

Babcock Land Defence Limited acting as the UK Ministry of Defence's agent, intends to negotiate a single source Contract with NSAF Ltd for the remanufacture services for the Chain Gun Control Unit (CGCU) currently integrated to various Armoured Vehicle Platforms. It is considered that the contract shall be awarded to NSAF Ltd 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. The contractor has the extensive in-depth knowledge and specific know-how, proprietary information (such as up to date drawings), gun and CGCU specific tooling/test equipment and safety approvals to carry out the required services. NSAF have stated they will not provide any drawing or technical detail to anyone else and therefore another contractor would be required to demonstrate access to safety critical technical information not presently available to MoD, and also be able to provide technical support based on data that cannot be corroborated by any authority and present an intolerable risk that would undermine the Safety ALARP claim for the weapon. Because of this, it is considered that no other contractor can provide these services.

Please note, Babcock Land Defence Limited is acting as agent on behalf of the Ministry of Defence, in the first instance interested parties may contact Babcock with queries relating to this procurement.

Interested parties who have queries regarding the above procurement should contact [IRMProcurementRepairTeam@babcockinternational.com](mailto:IRMProcurementRepairTeam@babcockinternational.com)

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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### **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

#### **Contract No**

IRM23/7647

#### **Title**

The Repair, Remanufacture and Maintenance of Chain Gun Control Units and Associated Assemblies

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

30 April 2024

##### **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**

NSAF Limited

PO Box 7151

Nottingham

NG7 2TD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF14 - Nottingham

Internet address

<https://www.heckler-koch.com/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £900,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £900,000

**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**

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