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Award Provision of Electronic Flight Bag (EFB) Software

Ministry of Defence

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Scope

Reference

713233450

Description

The Authority will be awarding a 1+1+1 contract for approximately 200 licenses of Electronic Flight Bag Aerodrome and Charting Software (EFB Software) for air crews to enable digital use of Aeronautical Information (AI), airfield data and charts on global operations.

Contract 1. 713233450 - Provision of Electronic Flight Bag Software

Supplier

• Jeppesen UK Limited

Contract value

- £942,400 excluding VAT
- £1,178,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

31 May 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2026
- Possible extension to 31 May 2028
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

2 x 12 month extension to be actioned if additional years of EFB software use are required.

Main procurement category

Goods

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

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CPV classifications

• 48326000 - Mapping software package

Contract locations

• UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

The Authority proposes to enter into a contract with the above-named supplier "Jeppesen UK Limited" on a single source basis in accordance with paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 to the Procurement Act 2023 as competition is absent for technical reasons. No other supplier can supply the software and there are no suitable alternatives.

To meet the Authority's requirement, the software to be purchased has to be compatible with the existing Jeppesen Foreflight Despatch software. The currently used Jeppesen Foreflight Despatch software is a unified flight planning and collaboration hub which optimises flight planning and bridges the gap between flight planners and pilots. This is embedded across the Air Mobility operation and runs on Jeppesen systems that are not capable of integrating with software from a third party.

The interoperability between the Foreflight Despatch software and potential EFB software is critical for pilots to receive real time updates to flight paths, weather conditions and other essential data whilst in the air. The Jeppesen EFB software has the widest coverage of global aeronautical information. The consequence of having a different model would result in an unacceptable reduction in operational effectiveness and safety, there would be an increase costs.

Supplier

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Region: UKJ28 - West Sussex (North East)

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Ministry of Defence

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