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Tender

Submarine Escape Survival Equipment (SESE)

Platform Equipment Delivery Team (PEDT)

F17: Contract notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

Platform Equipment Delivery Team (PEDT)

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Bristol

For the attention of

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

General address of the contracting authority/entity

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

Further information

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3) Main activity

Defence

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities:

No

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

Submarine Escape Survival Equipment (SESE)

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Submarine Escape Survival Equipment (SESE) is a whole-body suit comprising a one-size fits all, inner terminal liner known as a Thermal Protection Aid (TPA) and a single person life raft all contained in a sealed system within a protective valise. It allows submarine staff to evacuate from a disabled submerged submarine, without assistance, in a safe and controlled manner. The intention of the equipment is to keep the escapee dry and protected from the environment during ascent, and to provide buoyancy, freeboard and terminal insulation at the surface. The SESE shall have a life of 10 years accompanied by an all-inclusive warranty. The value of this procurement is between approximately £10M to £15M.

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 37414800 - Survival suits

II.1.7) Information about subcontracting

The tenderer has to indicate in the tender any share of the contract it may intend to subcontract to third parties and any proposed subcontractor, as well as the subject-matter of the subcontracts for which they are proposed

The tenderer has to indicate any change occurring at the level of subcontractors during the execution of the contract

The contracting authority/entity may oblige the successful tenderer to award all or certain subcontracts

The successful tenderer is obliged to specify which part or parts of the contract it intends to subcontract beyond the required percentage and to indicate the subcontractors already identified

II.1.8) Lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope

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The contract duration will be for 5 years where a procurement of approx. Up to 4500 SESE will be required to meet the following standard:

- Depths of up to 198 metres with an appropriate ascent speed.
- Surface survival time of 72 hours;
- Materials used in the manufacture of SESE must be compliant with the Submarine Material Toxicity Database;
- Stored in an air temperature range of -1C to +65C without degradation;
- Must be capable of being donned within 3 minutes 15 seconds;
- Must be capable of being stored in a humid environment.
- The SESE's air inlet valve must allow connection to current Royal Navy Hood Inflation System;
- Must retain buoyancy on surface and have a method of oral inflation and;
- Push fit connector must be able to withstand a force of 1000N prior to separate from the

hose.

In addition to the above the Authority requires approximately 60 training variant SESE which shall include support throughout the life of the contract.

Any successful potential providers will be expected to produce prototypes of the SESE during an agreed timescale at contract award. Testing of prototypes will be undertaken by the Authority's identified independent testing facility.

Potential providers must be able to provide independent verification/certification of their testing facilities during the procurement process.

In addition the Authority may require the ability to procure further SESE's on an ad-hoc basis and the provision of individually sized variants in small quantities.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£15,000,000

II.2.2) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: No

II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 60 (from the award of the contract)

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.2) Conditions for participation

III.2.1) Personal situation

Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender:

1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once)

- Browse to the eSourcing Portal
- Click the "Click here to register" link
- Accept the terms and conditions and click "continue"
- Enter your correct business and user details
- Note the username you chose and click "Save" when complete
- You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)

2. Express an Interest in the tender

- Login to the portal with the username/password
- Click the "PQQs Open to All Suppliers" link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires open to any registered supplier)
- Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content.
- Click the "Express Interest" button in the "Actions" box on the left-hand side of the page.
- This will move the PQQ into your "My PQQs" page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)
- Click on the PQQ code, you can now access any attachments by clicking the "Settings and Buyer Attachments" in the "Actions" box

3. Responding to the tender

- You can now choose to “Reply” or “Reject” (please give a reason if rejecting)
- You can now use the ‘Messages’ function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification
- Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ
- There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available)

If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

Criteria regarding the personal situation of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

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Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure

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Restricted

IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate

Envisaged minimum number

IV.2) Award criteria

IV.2.1) Award criteria

the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

PEDT/0011

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

no

IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 25 August 2021 - 5:00pm

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

18 August 2021 - 5:00pm

IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about European Union funds

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
No

VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority intends to use an e-Tendering system in this procurement exercise, please visit www.contracts.mod.uk for full details and to register your interest in this procurement.