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Award

DGM/2000 Research and Development into MAB Requirements

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DGM/2000 Research and Development into MAB Requirements

Reference number

DGM/2000

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73400000 - Research and Development services on security and defence materials

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Research and Development; into follow-on research work for further development of three projects. The type of work consists of improving upon in-service capabilities offering potential new solutions to current requirements. Demonstrations, trials and physical prototypes will be developed and undertaken to prove the concepts of each project. The work contracted will be a continuation of existing development in the following areas: Noise and flash grenades for use in non-permissive environments. Development of propellant for use in non-permissive environments. Further development of a lightweight portable heavy breaching 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: £208,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

DGM has a 1 year requirement for Research and Development into MAB Requirements.

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

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:

Limit of Liability of £208,000.

Justification For Non-Competitive Decision: The contract is exempt from the EU Regulations (DSPCR 2011) due to it being below the financial threshold. The Authority is contracting Event Horizon to build on existing proof of concept/capability demonstrations for multiple concepts that they delivered under previous contracts with the UK MOD in order to prove those concepts are compatible and functional products. This work is still classified as proof of concept. We consider that competing this capability would result in re-work of Event Horizon's existing findings from 2016. Contracting another supplier would result in a loss of the technical know-how and experience that Event Horizon has developed in the previous contracts, which is fundamental to proving the concept of these capabilities. The consequences of running a competition for this work would not result in value for money for the Authority due to the disproportionate costs it would require for a new supplier to become technically competent.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

DGM/2000

Title

DGM/2000 Research and Development into MAB Requirements

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 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

Event Horizon

Somerset

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £208,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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