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Award

AOR MCAS system Software Support

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.mod.gov.uk

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

AOR MCAS system Software Support

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72261000 - Software support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

AOR MCAS system Software Support

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: £40,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The RFA Fort Victoria Machinery Control Alarms & Surveillance (MCAS) system uses the Rockwell RSView32 and RSLogix5000 software platforms and Rockwell Automation hardware in the form of Programmable Logic Controllers PLCs. The system was designed and is maintained by P&S Automation Ltd.

The RFA have purchased software licenses which are required to legally operate the system. However, these licenses are reliant on software support to receive updates, technical support and new license codes in the event the workstation PC suffers a catastrophic failure.

P&S Automation Ltd are the system Integrator for RFA Fort Victoria Machinery Control & Alarm Systems. Rockwell Software forms the basis of system design, with all logical control elements having been designed using RSView32 and RSLogix5000 instruction sets, controlling Rockwell hardware in the form of PLCs. P&S Automation Ltd manage and maintain these systems in a valid and up-to-date software state.

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 without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

P&S Automation own exclusive rights for AOR MCAS Software The exclusive right is the Intellectual Property Rights for the project specific software, this is the software that they have designed and configured using the Rockwell software platforms which need to be kept in support with Rockwell (the subject of the potential contract). The rights were created when the software was designed and configured.

P&S Automation are the designer of the system, platform integrator and maintainer. Rockwell software is 100% compatible and designed to operate Rockwell hardware PLCs.

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

61665243

Title

AOR MCAS system Software Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 June 2023

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

P & S Automation Ltd

Maldon

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £36,228

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

Ministry of Defence - Defence Equipment & Support

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom