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Award

CSC & ROCU Laptops

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

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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

CSC & ROCU Laptops

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35711000 - Command, control, communication systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Procurement of CSC & ROCU Laptops.

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: £1,729,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 35711000 - Command, control, communication systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

For the modification and supply of 70 crew station computers (CSC) and 20 remote operator computer units (ROCU) for the TERRIER Armoured Engineer Tractor (AET).

Installing of bespoke propriety software on the Windows 10 enabled CSC and ROCU units and carrying out modifications to the TERRIER platforms as required.

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**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The contract has its object services listed in Annex II B

Explanation:

The Defence Equipment & Support Land Equipment Vehicle Support Team (VST), part of the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to award contract to Rheinmetall BAE Systems Land (RBSL) Ltd for 12 months for the modification and supply of 70 crew station computers (CSC) and 20 remote operator computer units (ROCU) for the TERRIER Armoured

Engineer Tractor (AET). RBSL will also be tasked with installing their bespoke propriety software on the Windows 10 enabled CSC and ROCU units and carrying out modifications to the TERRIER platforms as required.

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 SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for Technical Reasons.

RBSL are: the Design Authority (DA) and the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) for the platform; DA and Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the TERRIER Safety Case; owners of the IPR for all the interface and performance specifications for the CSC and ROCU laptop; RBSL are the only ones with the technical knowledge and expertise to carry out the work and are the only option to ensure 'configuration, security, overall safety, and performance is maintained' only RBSL have the in depth knowledge and understanding of the complexities to ensure safety risk are As Low as Reasonably Practicable (ALARP). Timescales are a key component to this with the aspiration to be delivered by April 24 and only RBSL can deliver the relevant items within the timescale. Therefore, the only option from a technical and engineering perspective is to go via RBSL for a single source procurement of the fully programmed CSC and ROCU laptop.

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.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 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

Rheinmetall BAE Systems Land (RBSL)

Telford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,729,000

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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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