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Award

Engines Future Support

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

Engines Future Support

Reference number

701580378

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 50212000 - Repair and maintenance services of helicopters

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Support to Merlin Helicopter Engines to the Out of Service date of 2040.

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: £874,860,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34711000 Helicopters and aeroplanes
- 34731100 Aircraft engines
- 34731700 Parts for helicopters
- 35612200 Anti submarine warfare helicopters
- 35612300 Support helicopters
- 35612400 Military transport helicopters

• 50212000 - Repair and maintenance services of helicopters

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK United Kingdom
- UKK South West (England)
- UKK30 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

Main site or place of performance

RNAS Yeovilton

RNAS Culdrose

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Support to Merlin Helicopter Engines to the Out of Service date of 2040.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

7 Year Contract to 2030. 2 x 5 option years. 1st option years to 2035 2nd option years to 2040

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 Merlin Delivery Team, part of the Ministry of Defence, intends to award a contract to Safran Helicopters UK Limited (Safran) for support of the RTM322 Engine (Engine) used on the Merlin helicopter platform. The contract will be for 17 years (2023 to 2040) and have an estimated value of £700M ex VAT.

In accordance with regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this contract 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 this contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons. This is because Safran is the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the Engine and has maintained it since it came into service in 1998. As OEM, it is the only company with the drawings, information, expertise and tools to provide the necessary technical support and to ensure compliance with safety and airworthiness requirements.

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

701580378

Title

Engines Future Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 July 2022

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

Safran Helicopters UK Ltd

Concorde Way, Segensworth North,

Fareham

PO15 5RL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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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: £874,860,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £874,860,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

All or certain subcontracts will be awarded through a competitive procedure

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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