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Planning

## **Relocation Services - Large scale move of scientific, manufacturing & office equipment**

AWE PLC

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03e114

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

AWE PLC

Aldermaston

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RG74PR

#### **Email**

[CapitalSCM@awe.co.uk](mailto:CapitalSCM@awe.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ - South East (England)

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.awe.co.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.awe.co.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Relocation Services - Large scale move of scientific, manufacturing & office equipment

Reference number

50000234

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71500000 - Construction-related services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

AWE Plc ("AWE") is seeking to support the large scale relocation of plant & equipment to a new Hub facility. This notice is for market engagement only and is not a call for competition.

You can find out more information about AWE here:

<https://www.awe.co.uk/>

AWE - Atomic Weapons Establishment

AWE is a high performing, streamlined business delivering extraordinary products.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages
- 39000000 - Furniture (incl. office furniture), furnishings, domestic appliances (excl. lighting) and

cleaning products

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

Main site or place of performance

AWE Aldermaston

Reading

Berkshire

RG7 4PR

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

AWE plc is currently undertaking the construction of a new Hub facility [42,000sq/m] that will provide new Science, Engineering, Office & Training facilities.

The construction is due to complete in early 2026, after which there is a requirement to engage a supplier to undertake the following over a 12-month period:

- a) Relocate, install and commission (including engagement with the equipment manufacturers where required) a range of scientific, engineering, and manufacturing plant and equipment, as well as IT and personal equipment, from their existing locations spread across 75 buildings on Site, into the new Hub. This includes, but is not limited to, a range of fragile, large, specialist, and sensitive equipment and artefacts.
- b) Install and commission (including engagement with the equipment manufacturers where required) circa. 1,400 new items of equipment being procured separately.
- c) Support relocation of circa. 2,500 staff into the new building.

In the 12-month period prior to the relocation, AWE plc is also looking to engage the supplier to work with the existing project team, facility team and site planners to undertake the management, planning, and then implementation of this relocation. The supplier will be required to adhere to applicable legislation for controlled areas within the facility, and managerial/project roles must possess, or be willing to apply for, at minimum SC level clearance in order to fulfil the role.

A further option depending on the supplier capability, is to include in the scope the change

management programme associated with our staff whilst undertaking a relocation of this scale.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The nature of this PIN is such that AWE intends to operate restrictions within the relevant procurement regulations in order to protect essential national security interests. If an economic operator has connections with any hostile entity or foreign states which are deemed by AWE to pose a risk to the UK's national security interests or is otherwise considered not to possess the reliability necessary to exclude risks to the security of the United Kingdom, AWE reserves its right to exclude them from this exercise.

In issuing this PIN and engaging with the market, the AWE is not committing to conduct any procurement in relation to this Programme. Equally non-participation in this Market Engagement will not be taken into account in any future procurement activities and will not preclude any organisation from submitting a tender in any future competitions.

Note: The nature of this contract is such that the award will be subject to supplier's passing AWE's security requirements as dictated by its site licenses.

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

13 July 2023

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Please note that the follow on stage of this PIN will be for suppliers to sign up to an NDA and then questionnaires will likely be the next stage.

Please provide your organisations details on the proforma on the parallel PIN on Contracts Finder or contact the e-mail address provided in this PIN to receive a copy for completion.

Please response to this PIN within 14 working days