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Contract

QEC Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) In Service Support

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b37c

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Section I: Contracting authority

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

QEC Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) In Service Support

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35722000 - Radar

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

In Service Support by the Contractor of the Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) system installed on QEC.

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: £298,539

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In Service Support by the Contractor of the Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) system installed on QEC.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Additional months of support, from 1 April 2023 - 30 September 2023 and 1 October 2023 - 31 March 2024. Un-priced option for procurement of spare interrogators.

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Secretary of State for Defence (the Authority), through the Surface Ships Combat Systems Group (SSCSG) Project Team within Defence Equipment & Support (DE&S) intends to place a 21 month contract, with up to two six month option periods for a maximum duration of 33 months, with Leonardo UK Ltd. for the Support of Queen Elizabeth Class (QEC) Identification Friend or Foe (IFF).

QEC IFF is a secondary surveillance radar system fitted to the two ships in the QEC. It forms part of the QEC Mission System and contributes towards situational awareness, identification and Air Traffic Control operations within both vessels.

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the UK Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons. Leonardo UK Ltd. is the existing service provider and only they possess the necessary expertise, means and know how essential to delivering and supporting the IFF capability as it is a bespoke technical solution fitted to QEC. It is not feasible for another supplier to achieve the required technical performance, as they would not have the specific technical knowledge, tools and means which the current supplier has at its disposal.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

701555429

Title

QEC Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) In Service Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 November 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Leonardo UK Ltd.

Basildon

SS14 3EL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £298,539

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom