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Awarded contract

ACCOMM2B/0059-18 Month Extension

Ministry of Defence

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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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

NUTS code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

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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

ACCOMM2B/0059-18 Month Extension

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Amendment 11 to ACCOMM2/0061 -18 Month Extension to existing capability for the support of mobile & fixed aircraft hydraulic servicing equipment

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: 2,750,000 EUR

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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support of mobile & fixed aircraft hydraulic servicing equipment

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

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior publication of a contract notice
- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Air Commodities Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence (“the Authority”) intends to extend the existing contract ACCOMM2/0061 with Sun Test Systems B.V from 31 Dec 21 to 31 Jun 23. The contract involves the maintenance and repair, calibration, in-service support, spares, post design activities, on-call technical support and technical documentation maintenance for a wide range of Mobile Hydraulic Servicing Equipment, used in the maintenance of all Rotary Wing, Hawk and BBMF aircraft and their associated components.

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 due to technical reasons.

This is because Sun Test Systems B.V. is the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) for this hydraulically operated ground support and test equipment that is currently in service with the Royal Air Force (RAF). The existing contract for the in-service support of this range of equipment does not cover the release of any proprietary information to 3rd parties and hence the Authority does not have access to the data-packs associated with the equipment and Sun Test Systems have confirmed they are not prepared to grant any such licences. The OEM also maintains the complementary Safety Cases, and there is a significant risk that if a third party took over the contract for in-service support without the data-packs, these Safety Cases would over time deteriorate, as the functionality of the equipment declines in line with the loss of proprietary information in the form of firmware and software upgrades. This would result in an unacceptable level of risk to human life and accelerate the equipment’s removal from service. A Single Source solution is the only means of maintaining the integrity of the equipment through to its natural Out of Service Date

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

15 October 2021

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

Sun Test Systems B.V.

| Nijverheidslaan 17 | 1382 LG Weesp

The Netherlands

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: 2,750,000 EUR

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

Defence, Equipment and Support

Bristol

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