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Contract

## **Procurement and Support of Remotely Operated Vehicles**

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

#### **Email**

[huw.davies140@mod.gov.uk](mailto:huw.davies140@mod.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://DES.MOD.UK>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Procurement and Support of Remotely Operated Vehicles

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

- 38290000 - Surveying, hydrographic, oceanographic and hydrological instruments and appliances

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

Supplies

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

Procurement and in service support and maintenance of Remotely Operated Vehicle for defence operations

#### **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: £1,800,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Manufacture and service of Remotely Operated Vehicles

### **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

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## 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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Salvage and Marine Operations (SALMO), part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence, has awarded a contract (711300452) to Forum Energy Technology (UK) Ltd ('FET') for the provision of a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), Spares and In Service Support. The contract has an estimated value of £18M and a duration of 2 years and 9 months.

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 7(1)(a) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulation (DSPCR) 2011 for national security reasons.

SALMO have determined that currently only FET can supply the ROV that fully meets all the Key User Requirements (KUR's) which are: Depth rating and ability to upgrade to threshold; Payload Capacity; Operating System and INS – ability to dynamically position; UK Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM).

#### 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 V. Award of contract

### Contract No

711300452

## **Title**

Procurement and in-service support of Remotely Operated Vehicles

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## **V.2) Award of contract**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

18 September 2024

### **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**

Forum Energy Technologies

Kirkbymoorside

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,800,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom