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Award

In-Service Support (ISS) to Submarine Countermeasure Acoustic Device (SCAD)

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

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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

In-Service Support (ISS) to Submarine Countermeasure Acoustic Device (SCAD)

Reference number

701577920

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32342400 - Acoustic devices

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S), part of the UK Ministry of Defence (the Authority), proposes to place a single source contract with Ultra Electronic Ocean Systems (UEOS). This contract will be for the In-Service Support (ISS) of the current Submarine Countermeasure Acoustic Device (SCAD) systems. This contract is to be placed for the Contract term of 30 June 2022 up to 29 June 2024.

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: £1,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

Ultra Electronics Command and Sonar Systems

420 Bridport Road

Greenford

Middlesex

UB6 8UA

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The contract is for the provision of in-service support. Activities will include but not be limited to: a) programme and contract management b) provision of remote support c) provision of technical advice d) provision of support on as required basis e) provision of training to ships staff and Torpedo loading Party f) provision of collection and disposal services g) other support related activities requiring site visits.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criterion: 1. Single source evaluation 100

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:

Defence Equipment and Support Group (DE&S), part of the UK Ministry of Defence, proposes to place a contract with Ultra Electronic Ocean Systems (UEOS) to maintain the Submarine Countermeasure Acoustic support. Activities will include but not be limited to: a) programme and contract management b) provision of remote support c) provision of technical advice d) provision of support on as required basis e) provision of training to ships staff and Torpedo loading Party f) provision of collection and disposal services g) other support related activities requiring site visits.

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the Negotiated Procedure Without Prior Publication pursuant to Regulation 16 (1) (a) (ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 due to technical reasons. This is because Ultra Electronic Ocean Systems (UEOS), as the OEM, designed, developed and supplied the SCAD countermeasure capability for use on A, T & V class submarines and has supported the capability since their introduction into service and is therefore the only supplier with the relevant knowledge inclusive of designs, drawings and technical data to support the SCAD countermeasures. The data is proprietary owned and is necessary for the fulfilment of the requirement, and therefore as no other contractor would have access to it, no other contractor could fulfil this requirement. Ensuring its continued interoperability with other elements of the UK Ministry of Defence's submarine combat system (SAWCS & Sonar system, 2076 & 2054IR) all of which are essential for the protection of the Royal Navy submarines against torpedo attack which includes the Continuous at Sea Deterrent (CASD).

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

701577920

Title

In-Service Support (ISS) to Submarine Countermeasure Acoustic Device (SCAD)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 December 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

Ultra Electronic Ocean Systems Inc

Massachusetts

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,500,000

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

DE&S Ships

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom