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## **In-Service Support for SIRS, TREMS and DIREMS**

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040bb3

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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

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

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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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

In-Service Support for SIRS, TREMS and DIREMS

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

- 50660000 - Repair and maintenance services of military electronic systems

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

Services

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

The Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) team, part of the Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) organisation within the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD), intends to place a replacement 8-year contract (with 2x Option Years) with Ultra Nuclear Ltd as the incumbent and Operating Equipment Manufacturer (OEM). This will maintain the operational capability until the Out of Service Date of April 2032 with additional Options Years if required.

The new contract will ensure the provision of In-Service Support including a technical upgrade / obsolescence mitigation programme which is required on all systems to the Naval Fleet Radiation Monitoring Capability. This comprises of Ship Installed Radiac Systems (SIRS2), Transportable Radiological Emergency Monitoring Systems (TREMS) and Dockside Installed Radiological Emergency Monitoring Systems (DIREMS).

#### **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: £9,000,000

## **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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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 additional years are optional

### **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**

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:

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 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations 2011 (as amended) for Technical Reasons. Ultra Nuclear Ltd as the OEM has the bespoke technical know-how, technical expertise, equipment, and tooling required to perform the services and ensure the continued operational capability of the SIRS 2, TREMS and DIREMS systems. Ultra Nuclear Ltd is the only Supplier with the required customised facilities and testing capabilities that are compliant with the relevant UK safety regulations to ensure fleet operations are maintained.

#### **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/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

6 September 2023

#### **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 Nuclear Limited

Winborne

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: £9,000,000

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

DE&S

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom