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Award

The Repair of Optronic Assemblies / Line Replacement Units (LRUs), Swarmlite and Protector Remote Weapon Systems (RWS)

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

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United Kingdom

Region code

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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

The Repair of Optronic Assemblies / Line Replacement Units (LRUs), Swarmlite and Protector Remote Weapon Systems (RWS)

Reference number

IRM19/7214

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50630000 - Repair and maintenance services of military vehicles

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Babcock Land Defence Limited, acting as agent on behalf of the UK Ministry of Defence, has a requirement to place a 5 year Framework Agreement with the possibility 2 x 1 year options for the repair and maintenance of line replacement units and Swarmlite Remote Weapon Station covering the Challenger 2 and T2 platforms. Equipment to be covered but not limited to:

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5998993015947

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5855996627918

5855991558339

5998995003435

5998997017992

2590999884199

3010998159786

5998997654891

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2590998311871

2540992924928

1240995353518

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: £15,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Babcock Land Defence Limited, acting on behalf of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence, intends to place a 5 year contract with a further 2 x 1 option years with Thales UK Ltd for repair and maintenance of Thales Line Replacement Units and repair of Swarmlite Remote Weapon Station covering the Challenger 2 and Titan and Trojan platforms.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 1 year options

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 contract has its object services listed in Annex II B

Explanation:

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure, without prior publication pursuant to Article 28(1)(e) of Directive 2009/81/EC (Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011) for the following technical reasons:

1) Thales UK Ltd are the Design Organisation (DO) for the LRUs and have extensive and in depth knowledge of these items with access to original underlying technical drawings/information and technical specifications, data and knowledge which are required to provide the repair and maintenance services required by the contract;

2) Without access to such design drawings/information and technical specifications, data and knowledge, the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence is not in a position to be able to identify the exact technical requirements (including the original equipment manufacturer standards) which are required to ensure the proper operation, safety and suitability of the requirement; and

3) As a result, Thales UK Ltd are currently the only company with the technical expertise and know-how to undertake the services covered by the scope of this contract.

This notice is not a request for expressions of interest so please do not apply to be invited to tender. This notice advises that the Authority has decided to negotiate a contract with the named supplier on a single source basis, and is published for reasons of transparency.

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Notice number: [2019/S 135-334059](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

IRM19/7214

Title

The Repair of Optronic Assemblies / Line Replacement Units (LRUs), Swarmlite and Protector Remote Weapon Systems (RWS)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 July 2019

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

Thales UK Limited

Glasgow

G51 4BC

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

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: £15,000,000

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

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