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Award

DS3000 to DCS Interface. Replacement for Airwave SanH for Integrated Command and Control System (ICCS)

Royal Berkshire Fire Authority

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038b9d

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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National registration number

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DS3000 to DCS Interface. Replacement for Airwave SanH for Integrated Command and Control System (ICCS)

Reference number

1345

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

DS3000 to DCS Interface replacement for Airwave SanH for Integrated Command and Control System (ICCS).

The SanH is out of support so Airwave are replacing (at their cost) with a DCS interface. The current ICCS system requires re-engineering to enable the new interface to replicate the functionality of the SanH.

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: £198,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ11 - Berkshire
- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Berkshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This VEAT notice relates to the replacement SAN H interface within the SSS Public Safety Ltd, Integrated Command and Control System (ICCS). This contract is essential to the effective operational performance and delivery of RBFA's key operations.

Airwave currently use a SAN H interface to connect to a SSS Public Safety Ltd ("SSS" hereafter) ICCS,

The SANH is at end of life which creates a significant risk to maintaining the service. The replacement hardware for the SAN H is called DCS which is supplied by Airwave at no additional cost, however to maintain the connection between the new DCS and remainder of the communications and mobilising system, a Home Office accredited interface between the new DCS and the ICCS is required to be purchased.

SSS (as our ICCS supplier) are the only economic operator which has the required technical approval and accreditation to connect to the Thames Valley Fire control ICCS to Airwave via the DCS.

A failure of the connection could result in the Fire Service being unable to mobilise appropriate resources during emergency incidents and expose the public to unacceptable risks.

It is considered that due to these exceptional circumstances, the contract can be awarded to SSS Public Safety Limited to the value of £190,000 (Excl. VAT) under regulation 32 (2)(b)(ii) Public Contract Regulations 2015 using the negotiated procedure without prior publication as competition is absent for technical reasons.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

7 December 2022

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

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Unit B1 Methuen South Methuen Park

Chippenham

SN14 0GT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

National registration number

13052116

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £198,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom