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## **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**

Royal Berkshire Fire Authority

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Reading

RG31 7SD

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

**National registration number**

VAT gb 642 4620 56

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.rbfrs.co.uk>

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

Regional or local Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **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

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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 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

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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**

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**

SSS Public Safety

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