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Award

Spare and Replacement Parts including Provision of Support for Cummins Engines

Department for Infrastructure

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Scope

Reference

DAC-0189

Description

The Department directly operates the Strangford Lough Ferry Service. The service involves the operation of two large passenger vessels. Both vessels must undergo an annual inspection by Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) prior to the issue of a Passenger Ship Safety Certificate (PSSC) granting permission for the operation to continue. Part of this inspection focuses on the vessel machinery and compliance with manufacturer maintenance schedule. The two roll-on roll-off (ro-ro) ferries in use are.

- MV Portaferry II (2002) which has five Cummins engines, three QSK 19 (two in service and one spare) and two Cummins 4BT generators.

- MV Strangford II (2017) which has five Cummins engines, three QSK 19M (two in service and one spare) and two Cummins 6BT generators.

Parts are required to undertake one large refit on each ferry per year and approximately six to eight smaller and more urgent maintenance jobs per year.

Contract 1

Supplier

- CUMMINS LTD.

Contract value

- £420,000 excluding VAT
- £504,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

11 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 11 July 2025 to 1 May 2028
- 2 years, 9 months, 22 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34000000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

Contract locations

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

- Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights
- Single supplier - technical reasons

Section 41 and paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 of the Procurement Act 2023 provides justification of a Direct Award when the following conditions are met in relation to the public contract-

(a) due to an absence of competition for technical reasons, only a particular supplier can supply the goods, services or works required, and

(b) there are no reasonable alternatives to those goods, services or works.

The manufacturer of the Ferry's engines has confirmed they are the only authorised dealer and supplier of all genuine Cummins engine parts for Northern Ireland.

Supplier

CUMMINS LTD.

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

Department for Infrastructure

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYQH-8789-DZPG

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland