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Contract

TIQUILA Programme Mini-Uncrewed Air Systems (MUAS)

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038dc4

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

TIQUILA Programme Mini-Uncrewed Air Systems (MUAS)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35613000 - Unmanned aerial vehicles

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The TIQUILA Programme objective is to deliver Mini-Uncrewed Air System ("MUAS") capability to provide Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance ("ISTAR") roles in Packable and Portable loads in support of field operations.

The contract delivery will be the responsibility of a Systems Integrator ("SI") working in conjunction with suppliers to meet developing demands and to keep pace with emergent technology and threats.

The solution and equipment provided will be evolving and modular and be upgradeable in Forward Operating Base workshops with limited basic tools to enable the system to fulfil multiple roles and maintain pace with technology and emerging threats.

The contract duration is for a period of 120 months.

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: £129,350,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Systems Integrator is required to manage the through-life delivery and sustainment including the following:

- a. Provision of Packable MUAS (up to 8kg system weight, up to 4kg Max Take-Off Weight) and Portable MUAV (up to 20kg Max Take-Off Weight) that operate from a common Ground Control Station ("GCS") with an Electro Optical/Infra- Red ("EO/IR") payload that meets the requirements of the TIQUILA Programme;
- b. Provision of goods and service in support of the above;
- c. A technical and digital architecture that is modular with open standards interfaces and enables the simple integration of new capabilities and upgrades to be incorporated into common base units;
- d. Maintain awareness and understanding of novel and emergent technologies that could be applicable to the TIQUILA Programme; and
- e. The implementation of Supplier Enabling Arrangement(s) ("SEA(s)") and/or other subcontract arrangements, that provide a flexible commercial model that engages with the Unmanned Air Systems ("UAS") market, industry, and academia; with the aim to encourage innovation and new entrants into the supply chain, to meet developing demands and to keep pace with emergent technology and threats.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Willingness to Pay (MEAT) / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Willingness to Pay (MEAT) / Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The TIQUILA contract contains options to extend the duration of the contract beyond the 120 month period and / or to vary the volume of goods and services to be delivered. Options to extend will be up to a maximum of 24 months subject to the approval of the Authority prior to the expiry of the 120 month period.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Due to the pricing regime within the Contract, the Total Contract Value included in this notice is an estimated value only, which will be subject to change in line with the Variation of Price formula(s).

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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: [2020/S 182-440958](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lockheed Martin UK

Building 7000, Langstone Technology Park, Langstone Road

Havant

PO9 1SW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £129,350,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom