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PDS, Spares, Repairs and Tech Refresh for Precise Time and Frequency Equipment

Defence Equipment and Support

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Defence Equipment and Support

Bristol

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Email

danielle.arbrey100@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.contracts.mod.uk

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

PDS, Spares, Repairs and Tech Refresh for Precise Time and Frequency Equipment

Reference number

700007389

II.1.2) Main CPV code

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

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Defence Equipment and Support, Communications and Situational Awareness Project Team, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, intends to award a Post Design Services, Spares and Repairs contract to Drumgrange Limited (Drumgrange), for in-service support to its Frequency Standard (Outfit FSF) system, used to deliver precise positioning, frequency and timing to essential communication equipment.

The contract will be for two years and three months, have an estimated value of £750,000 and be placed as an amendment to the MoD's existing contract with Drumgrange (contract 700007389 (CSA/1110)).

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: £750,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

In accordance with Regulation 4 of the Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this contract falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 for technical reasons.

This is because Drumgrange is original equipment manufacturer of the Frequency Standard (Outfit FSF) system and has supported it since it came in to service in 1996. It is the only economic operator with the proprietary information, technical know-how, tooling and test equipment needed to meet the requirement and manage obsolescence.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

700007389

Title

PDS, Spares, Repairs and Tech Refresh for Precise Time and Frequency Equipment

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 December 2024

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

Drumgrange Limited

Unit A The Forum, Hanworth Lane

Chertsey

KT16 9JX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £750,000

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V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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