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Scope

Reference

ORT 0168

Description

Stopped Vehicle Detection radar is used on smart motorways in the UK to automatically identify vehicles that have come to a halt in live lanes. Its purpose is to quickly alert traffic control centres so they can close lanes, warn other drivers, and dispatch help, improving safety and reducing collision risks. The purpose of the proposed contract is to provide support and maintenance services in relation to the radar that form part of the Stopped Vehicle Detection system.

Contract 1. ORT0168 – Stopped Vehicle Detection

Supplier

- NAVTECH RADAR LIMITED

Contract value

- £1,625,151.79 excluding VAT
- £1,950,182.15 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

25 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026
- 1 year

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34996000 - Control, safety or signalling equipment for roads

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

This is a transparency notice to inform the market that National Highways is directly awarding a contract to Navtech Radar Limited for Stopped Vehicle Detection (SVD) for a period of 12 months from 1st September 2025 to 31st August 2026.

This direct award is made under Section 41(1)(a) and Schedule 5, Paragraph 5 and 6 of the Procurement Act 2023.

1. The proposed supplier has exclusive (intellectual property) rights in the hardware and software already supplied to National Highways and do not share /re-sell/licence any of its designs/intellectual property with/to third parties. Without these, no other supplier could provide the support and maintenance services under the proposed contract to the pre-existing hardware. For the same reasons, no other supplier could provide upgrades to existing hardware.

2. The only means by which another supplier could provide services and supplies similar to those under the proposed contract would be to replace the existing hardware with an alternative solution. Very significant investment has been made to deploy the existing hardware and the majority of these assets still have a number of years before they reach 'end of life'. To undertake a wholesale replacement of the hardware at this juncture would therefore be disproportionate and unreasonable.

The new contract will ensure continuity of these essential service.

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government