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Ministry of Defence

F18: Contract award notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

Ministry of Defence

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Telford

TF2 8JT

For the attention of

Bilinska-Powroznik Dorota

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Country

United Kingdom

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 1: Maintenance and repair services

NUTS code

- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

II.1.3) Information on framework agreement

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Babcock Land Defence Ltd, acting as agent for the UK Ministry of Defence, has awarded a contract with VL Test Systems Limited for The Calibration, Repair and Maintenance of Roller Brake Testers (RBT), Wheel Play Detectors (WPD) and Headlamp Beam Testers (HBT) for a duration of 4 Years with 3x1 optional years.

II.1.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

- 50412000 - Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus

Section IV: Procedure

Type of procedure

Negotiated without publication of a contract notice

Justification for the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice

1) Justification for the choice of the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice

The works/goods/services can be provided only by a particular tenderer for reasons that are:

technical

It is considered that the award of this 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 DSPCR 2011 because competition is absent for technical reasons. This is because the Contractor alone holds data in relation to the specifications of the equipment and baseline test procedures for the output specification of the equipment and MOD does not have sufficient rights in the data to provide to a third party. In addition, VLT Test hold exclusive rights over the DTP code software used in the programming of the equipment. The DTP codes and associated software are critical to the calibration and configuration of the test equipment. The equipment covered under this contract is considered safety critical test equipment, and access to DTP codes and relevant technical repair and output specifications is required. Without access or rights to the relevant DTP codes, or the relevant technical documentation, MOD is unable to compete this requirement.

IV.2) Award criteria

IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No

IRM21/7583

V.1) Date of contract award decision

21 August 2025

V.2) Information about offers

Number of offers received

1

Number of offers received by electronic means

1

V.3) Name and address of economic operator in favour of whom the contract award decision has been taken

V L Test Systems Limited

3-4 Middle Slade, Buckingham International Park

Buckingham

MK18 1AW

Country

United Kingdom

V.4) Information on value of contract

Total final value of the contract

Value: £19,367,000

Excluding VAT

If annual or monthly value

Number of years: 4

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about European Union funds

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