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Contract

Refurbishment of Moving Vessel Profiler

National Oceanography Centre

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Scope

Reference

NOCP00590

Description

Refurbishment and upgrade of the installed AML MVP300-1700 underway profiling system, operated by the National Oceanography Centre as part of the National Marine Equipment Pool. This requirement covers OEM refurbishment of the MVP winch, controller electronics, and associated components, using proprietary AML boards, firmware, and validated safety interlocks. The MVP system is an integrated AML design; only the original manufacturer (AML Oceanographic Ltd) can supply the necessary components and perform a refurbishment that maintains full compatibility, safety compliance, and operational performance of the existing asset.

Alternative suppliers offer separate profiling systems with their own winch and control modules, which are not compatible with the installed MVP equipment or controller software. Procuring from any other source would require a complete system replacement, resulting in disproportionate cost and operational disruption. Only AML can deliver an

OEM-validated refurbishment that sustains the current asset's functionality and supportability.

This procurement is a distinct, standalone requirement, solely focused on sustaining the existing MVP300-1700 asset. The requirements have been valued and justified independently, in line with aggregation and threshold guidance under the Procurement Act 2023.

Contract 1. Refurbishment of Moving Vessel Profiler

Supplier

- AML Oceanographic Ltd

Contract value

- 203241 USD excluding VAT
- 243889.20 USD including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

2 September 2025

Contract dates

- 2 September 2025 to 1 January 2027

- 1 year, 4 months

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

During refurbishment, inspection may identify additional worn or defective OEM components that require replacement. Such replacements are not possible to identify in advance but are necessary to restore the MVP system to a safe and serviceable condition. Any such additional works will be limited to like-for-like components and directly related to the refurbishment

CPV classifications

- 50240000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to marine and other equipment

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

AML Oceanographic Ltd

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

National Oceanography Centre

- Companies House: 11444362
- Charity Commission (England and Wales): 1185265
- Scottish Charity Register: SC049896
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYLV-3456-PMCQ

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government