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Direct Award Justification Report

**E Series pump modification kit from PVT10D to PVT10E design for Stabiliser system for the proposed duration – 28/03/2025 – 31/03/2026
project_18925**

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Introduction

The contract content of this document is derived from the business case found in the accompanying attachments from M Furniss and R Florit, of Maritime Technical & Logistics Unit, Border Force Maritime Directorate.



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Disclaimer

This template is only intended to serve as a guide and should be supplemented and or, adapted where relevant and proportionate to each individual procurement, based on risk, complexity and novelty.

Please refer to the Direct Award Policy for further guidance. For Above Threshold Direct Awards, Procurement Leads should always seek legal, commercial and other relevant professional advice in the context of specific procurements, as each commercial activity will have its own unique characteristics and nuances.

To assist with the completion of certain sections within this template, guidance notes are provided at the end of this template.

Timing

This template should be used for Direct Awards commenced under the Procurement Act 2023. For more detail on the meaning of 'commenced' please refer to the Procurement Act 2023 [guidance on transitional and savings arrangements](#).

Confidentiality and classification

Procurement Leads must ensure that appropriate protective security markings are applied to this document when completed, in conjunction with a classification as detailed in the [Government Security Classifications](#).

Section 1: Contract details

[Refer to Direct Award Policy Guidance and the Guidance Notes section at the end of this template for information required for '2. Section1: Contract details']

Key details

Contracting Authority	Home Office
Name of procurement/contract	E Series pump modification kit from PVT10D to PVT10E design for Stabiliser system
Jaggaer Reference number	project_18925
Type of direct award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct award in special cases
Direct award assessment completed by (Procurement Lead name)	Leona Allenby
Direct award assessment approved by (Procurement Lead name and role)	Leona Allenby - commercial lead
Date of approval	4 April 2025

Section 2: Switching to direct award

N/A

Section 3: Direct award in special cases

3.1. Is the direct award justified as a special case? See Guidance note Section 3 3.1

YES – Single Supplier, below £20k

Total value of £ 18,029.22 over 12 months. Please see accompanying quote and email chain

- The current Naiad Stabiliser system onboard the Border Force 4207 patrol vessels are made up of a High Pressure Unit (HPU) with hydraulic pump, sea water cooling pump and 2 fins. The hydraulic pump circulates high pressure hydraulic oil to the fins which are mounted through the vessels hull underwater and reduces the rolling and rocking motion caused by waves, currents or wind.
- The current hydraulic pumps used on the stabiliser system onboard the Damen 4207 Cutters have been made obsolete and all existing spares have been depleted, a replacement pump with modification kit is required that will bolt onto our existing Naiad system equipment to keep stabiliser function onboard the cutters and ensure safe operation of the system and vessel when at sea.
- Naiad Dynamics is the original equipment manufacturer in the UK for the stabilizer control system and is in possession of the intellectual property and exclusive rights as OEM of the system used on the Damen 4207 Cutters. The services are not part of any catalogue, OGD framework or dynamic purchasing system.
- The use of Naiad Dynamics is to assure the serviceability of crucial systems on board our Cutters. Due to the current operating model and levels of usage OEM parts, systems and sub-assemblies should be used to service BF Cutters when a break down occurs. As a result, warranty claims both retrospective and in the future, are a main factor in ensuring that these systems are afforded the most reactive and comprehensive support available that is assured.
- Without the assured serviceability of these vessels, people and illicit goods may be successful in penetrating the coastline controls without being interdicted. Inability to deploy the vessel will significantly reduce the capability of BF Maritime Command to adequately protect the UK EEZ boundary. Introduction of a third-party suppliers would allow for technically unacceptable fluctuations in the standard of parts, labour and certification services required on these systems. If we did not use an OEM for this the reliability would drop and the likelihood of catastrophic failure would increase.

3.2. Is the direct award to an excluded supplier? See Guidance note Section 3 3.2

NO

3.3. Are you directly awarding either wholly or partly, the supply of goods, services or works under the contract to a sub-contractor? See Guidance note Section 3 3.3

NO

3.4. Is the direct award discriminatory towards treaty state suppliers as listed in Schedule 9 of the PA 2023? See Guidance note Section 3 3.4

NO

Decision is based on technical grounds relating to OEM equipment

3.5. Is the direct award to an excludable supplier? See Guidance note [*]

NO

3.6. Has legal advice been sought? What is GLD's assessment of the risk of a successful legal challenge?

Legally privileged

NO – low value and only OEM Naiad Dynamics can be used to ensure reliability does not drop and no catastrophic failure occurs

Section 4: Direct award to protect life

N/A

Section 5: Checklist of notices

N/A

Section 6: Internal Approvals

Section 3: Direct Award in Special Cases

Single Suppliers, Additional or repeat goods, services or works, Commodities, and Advantageous terms on insolvency (see Annex 4 Direct Award Policy) - will generally be considered 'Low Risk' of legal challenge.

Direct Award is not possible if there has been any discrimination to treaty state suppliers. As there will be no tenable legal argument to justify the decision or policy.


Only Commercial SCS1s can approve Medium Risk Direct Awards and Commercial SCS2s for 'High Risk' Direct Awards.

Commercial Approval to Proceed:

D2 Risk Rating: Low	
I hereby confirm that this request has been approved [Mark "X" below as appropriate]	I hereby confirm that this request has NOT been approved [Mark "X" below as appropriate]
X	

If the request was not approved, then please provide the rationale:

6: Commercial Approver

Name	Leona Allenby
Sign	
Date	9 April 2025