

UK-Bristol: weapons, ammunition and associated parts

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Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority

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### I.1. Name and addresses

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**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** the abovementioned address

### I.2. Type of the contracting authority

### I.3. Main activity

Defence

### I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

Insensitive munitions depth charge.

#### II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code

#### II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

#### II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

#### II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Weapons, ammunition and associated parts. In support of conventional munitions manufacture and stock management the Defence General Munitions Project Team (DGM PT) has a

possible future requirement for the manufacture and supply of a Depth Charge that is compliant with current UK Insensitive Munitions policy. Included in the future requirement the following items will be required in any future contract.

- Drill and Instructional variants of the Munition,
- User and Maintainer Training package to allow future training to be undertaken,
- Weapon preparation and handling documentation,
- Maintenance documentation,
- A full Munition Data Pack, for all variants,
- Explosive Hazard Data Sheets for all of the energetic materials,
- Management of Safety and Suitability for Service (S3) trials required to be undertaken,
- Creation of Safety and Environment Case Report,
- Post Design Contract.

The current in-service Depth Charge comprises of a main body Fuze and tail. The fully prepared weapon is approximately 1.4m long and 280mm in diameter and weighs 145kg. Contractors should note that the Depth Charge offered shall as a minimum, be compliant with all UK MOD Policies. It must be capable of carriage and release from Rotary Wing platforms (specifically Merlin Mk1, Mk2 and Lynx/Wildcat Helicopters using the Mk 22 Electro-magnetic Release Unit) and have the potential for carriage and release from fixed wing Maritime Patrol Aircraft in the future.

The Depth Charge is required to have the equivalent explosive performance as the current in-service variant which comprises of 80kg of Torpex 8/2B. It shall have the fuzing functionality to initiate the main charge at 8.2 and/or 21m ( $\pm 0.6$ m) with the ability to self sterilise (Make Safe) in the event of a blind.

Contractors should declare whether any components within their expression of interest are covered under ITAR.

The procurement of these capabilities shall, if the programme proceeds, be conducted on a competitive basis, using an incremental assessment programme to determine product compliance against the Departments requirement.

Those who express an interest in this possible future purchase shall be invited to complete and submit a Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ), the results of which shall be used to down-select to a potential of a maximum of 10 candidates who will then be selected to be taken into the first Assessment Phase (AP1). AP1 is the technical compliance assessment and IM characterisation testing of candidate products; successful products from this phase, where appropriate, shall then be taken into Assessment Phase 2 (AP2). AP2 is the qualification of these natures to the Departments manufacture to target disposal sequence (AOP15).

An ITT will be issued to a maximum of 6 companies those that are down selected from AP1. The collective outcome of the PQQ, AP1, ITT and AP2 phase, shall result in the award of a contract for the manufacture/supply of this nature for an as yet undetermined term but will be invited at the ITT stage to submit prices for 3, 5 year supply/support arrangements, for the estimated quantity between 400 – 1000.

Potential Suppliers candidates should note that their product offerings should be at a suitably high level of product maturity to enable the Department to test and procure these capabilities within a very demanding exploitation window. All expressions of interest should state any previous work conducted for the MoD and any ISO accreditation.

#### **II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

35300000 Weapons, ammunition and associated parts

#### **II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

#### **II.1.8. Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

#### **II.1.9. Information about variants**

#### **II.2. Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 2 000 000 and 5 000 000 GBP

##### **II.2.2. Information about options**

##### **II.2.3. Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

#### **II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

### **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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#### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

##### **III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

##### **III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

##### **III.1.4. Contract performance conditions**

#### **III.2. Conditions for participation**

##### **III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

##### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

##### **III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of conditions:

Will be detailed in any resulting pre qualification questionnaire and / or invitation to tender.

##### **III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

#### **III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

##### **III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

##### **III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

### **Section IV: Procedure**

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#### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

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Restricted

**IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

**IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

**IV.2. Award criteria**

**IV.2.1. Award criteria**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: yes

Additional information about electronic auction: Yes. A Reverse Auction, conducted using electronic means, may be used as part of the procurement process for this requirement. Specific relevant information on Reverse Auction usage will be given in the Invitation to Tender.

**IV.3. Administrative information**

**IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

DGM/1703

**IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

**IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

**IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

16.12.2012

**IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

**IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English.

**IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

**IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders**

**Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

**VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

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

**VI.3. Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender. Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier

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#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

###### **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: Defence General Munitions Project Team, DE&S

##### **VI.4.2. Review procedure**

##### **VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Official name: Defence General Munitions Project Team, DE&S

#### **VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

16.11.2012