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**United Kingdom-Telford: Parts of military vehicles
2020/S 204-497671**

Prior information notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

Supplies

Directive 2009/81/EC

Section I: Contracting authority/entity

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

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Further information can be obtained from:

The above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local sub-divisions

I.3) Main activity

Defence

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities

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

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority/entity:

Market Engagement and Market Consultation day for the provision of consumables and repair services in the category of automotive electrical assemblies and associated items in support of the UK Ministry of Defence's (MOD) vehicle fleet (IRM20/7547 — The supply of electrical consumables and associated items).

II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance:

UKG21 Telford and Wrekin

II.3) Information on framework agreement

II.4) Short description of nature and scope of works or nature and quantity or value of supplies or services:

Parts of military vehicles. The supply of electrical consumables for military vehicles. Babcock Land Defence Ltd, acting as agent for the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence (MOD) is issuing this Prior Information Notice to invite companies to participate in the Market Consultation day in support of MOD's upcoming requirements

for the provision of consumables and repair services in the category of automotive electrical assemblies and associated items in support of the UK MOD's vehicle fleet.

Babcock Land Defence Ltd would like to invite industry to attend a Market Engagement and Market Consultation day to be held on 17 November 2020. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions this industry day will be held virtually.

II.5) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

35420000 Parts of military vehicles

II.6) **Scheduled date for start of award procedures and duration of the contract**

Scheduled date for start of award procedures: 1.8.2021

II.7) **Additional information:**

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) and Babcock Land Defence Ltd are running a continuous improvement programme to optimise the contract base supporting the provision of Consumable and Repair Services to the UK MOD's vehicle fleet. As part of this programme called Intelligent Route to Market (IRTM), DE&S and Babcock are working together to place intelligent and robust contracts with industry partners fit for the future of the UK's Armed Forces. Aiming to deliver Efficiencies and Innovation for the future, whilst ensuring delivery of today's Repair and Inventory plans.

Babcock Land Defence Ltd wish to engage with industry to explore the automotive electrical assemblies category, including understanding supplier capability, innovation and best practice. This will help inform the development of Babcock's strategy for future competitions within this space.

Babcock Land Defence Ltd are particularly keen to ensure that all suppliers capable of providing repair services or consumable items within this category consider engaging with this opportunity. The Market Consultation Day will aim to provide more information about how interested suppliers can engage with the MoD and participate in any future tendering process.

This scope of the Electrical industry day intends to cover:

- 1) Both the provision of repair/remanufacture services and the provision of consumables;
- 2) Various automotive electrical assemblies and associated items, the scope of which includes but is not limited to:
 - (a) electrical panels;
 - (b) cabling;
 - (c) electronic components;
 - (d) heating ventilation and air conditioning;
 - (e) electromechanical;
 - (f) lighting;
 - (g) power supply;
 - (h) generators;
 - (i) plugs and connectors;
 - (j) fuel equipment;
 - (k) special tools and test equipment;
 - (l) communication systems.

These electrical assemblies/items are fitted to a number of different vehicle fleets currently in service with the MOD. The anticipated scope is platforms covering the spectrum of capabilities including: light wheels, heavy wheels, specialist track, light track, heavy track.

The current electrical consumable portfolio covers approximately 729 NSNs and GBP 3.9 million of annual spend. The current electrical repair portfolio approximations will be published under a separate PIN reference

IRM18/6137-The Repair of Various Electrical Assemblies and Associated Items. For the avoidance of doubt both PINs refer to the same industry day.

Note that PIN is not a commitment to these values, and this scope may not be awarded in a single procurement activity, and that any one procurement activity may result in multiple contract awards, pursuant to the strategy developed.

Babcock Land Defence Ltd invites all parties interested in attending this event to submit an expression of interest (EOI), confirming the name(s) of those wishing to attend, by no later than noon on 30 October 2020 to: carol.jones@babcockinternational.com . Please include the following information:

- 1) 'Electrical Assemblies Market Consultation Day' in the email subject line;
- 2) Name of primary contact;
- 3) Name of organisation;
- 4) Contact details for primary contact including both email address and a contact telephone number.

Following receipt of an EOI, Babcock Land Defence Ltd will respond with further details regarding the event, including a limited pre-event questionnaire. (Please note, we require responses to this Prior Information Notice through your company e-mail address only. Responses via personal e-mail addresses will not be accepted). Babcock Land Defence reserve the right to reject requests to attend should it become necessary due to the level of interest and limitations of available technology.

Caveat:

In issuing this PIN and engaging with the market, Babcock Land Defence Limited is not committing to conduct any procurement in relation to either consumable or repair requirements within this category. Equally, nonparticipation in this Market Engagement will not be taken into account in any future procurement activities and will not exclude any organisation from submitting a tender in any future competitions.

It is currently anticipated that any formal procurement relating to the provision of consumables and repair services in the category of various electrical assemblies and associated items in support of the UK MOD's vehicle fleet will be subject to Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations (DSPCR) 2011 and there may be the potential for elements of the scope to be exempt from the DSPCR 2011.

The contracting authority considers that this scope may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs) as well as large enterprises. Suppliers interested in working with either the Babcock Land Defence Ltd or the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at www.contracts.mod.uk. The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations and their agents. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

III.2) Conditions for participation

III.2.1) Information about reserved contracts

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

VI.2) **Additional information:**

The authority reserves the right to amend any condition related to security of information to reflect any changes in national law or government policy. If any contract documents are accompanied by instructions on safeguarding classified information (e.g. a Security Aspects Letter), the authority reserves the right to amend the terms of these instructions to reflect any changes in national law or government policy, whether in respect of the applicable protective marking scheme, specific protective markings given, the aspects to which any protective marking applies, or otherwise. The link below to the Gov.uk website provides information on the Government Security Classification.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

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VI.3) **Information on general regulatory framework**

VI.4) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

15.10.2020