

United Kingdom-Winsford: Software support services
OJ S 247/2020 18/12/2020
Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Cheshire Fire Authority

National registration number: N/A

Postal address: Headquarters, Clemonds Hey, Oakmere Road

Town: Winsford, Cheshire

NUTS code: UKD6 Cheshire

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Main address: <https://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/33132>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5. Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

VMDS Mobile Gateway and AIUS

Reference number: CPA/SPU/994F

II.1.2. Main CPV code

72261000 Software support services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Cheshire Fire Authority have a three (3) year contract agreement with Airbus Defence and Space Ltd for software licences, support and maintenance of 'VMDS, VMDS Comms, Gateway, GPS, AIUS, CMS, Officer Radios and Crash Recovery System'.

Airbus Defence and Space Ltd has granted Cheshire Fire Authority a licence to continue to use the software for a further three (3) years. Under the licence terms only Airbus Defence and Space Ltd has access to the software source codes to provide the required ongoing support and maintenance. It is therefore the intention to award a contract to Airbus Defence and Space Ltd under a VEAT notice, in accordance with section 32 b) ii of the Procurement Contract Regulations 2015.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 300 000,00 GBP

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

72261000 Software support services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKD6 Cheshire

Main site or place of performance: CW7 2UA

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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II.2.5. Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: price / Weighting: 100

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

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

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the directive

Explanation:

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The MDTs were manufactured by Infoterra Ltd who also provided the 'VMDS, VMDS Comms, Gateway, GPS, AIUS, CMS, Officer Radios and Crash Recovery System' software under their trading name of Astrium. They provided the software licences and initial support and maintenance of the system. Astrium was part of EADS (European Aeronautic Defence and Space) and Airbus Defence and Space Ltd was formed during the corporate restructuring of EADS. Airbus Defence and Space Ltd now own the IPR for this software and issue the annual licence for use of the system to Cheshire Fire Authority, which includes support and maintenance.

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IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: 1

Title:

Software Licences, Support and Maintenance of 'VMDS, VMDS Comms, Gateway, GPS, AIUS, CMS, Officer Radios and Crash Recovery System

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

14/12/2020

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Airbus Defence and Space Ltd

Town: Newcastle Upon Tyne

NUTS code: UKC2 Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Postal code: NE3 3AF

Country: United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Total value of the contract/lot: 300 000,00 GBP

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.3. Additional information**VI.4. Procedures for review****VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: The High Court

Town: Manchester

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

15/12/2020