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**LEAD IN FIGHTER TRAINING SYSTEM (LIFTS) CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT (CDE)
CONTRACT AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY CAPABILITY PUBLIC PLAN**

Company Details:

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Executive Summary:

As the Australian Prime Contractor for the Lead in Fighter (LIF) In Service Support Contract, we have developed our solution to maximise the Australian Industry work share to the greatest extent possible while delivering a cost effective program to the Commonwealth of Australia.

The Lead In Fighter Training System (LIFTS) Capability Development Environment (CDE) Contract will support Australian Industry to grow the regional Aerospace capability to deliver Hawk Mk127 training upgrades and other Air Combat capabilities by establishing a LIFTS CDE as part of the AIR5438 Phase 2 program.

The Commonwealth of Australia acquired the Hawk Mk127 aircraft in the year 2000 with a 25-year Life-of-Type (LOT) to conduct RAAF introductory fighter pilot training and ADF air support tasks. In mid-2021 Air Force extended the Planned Withdrawal Date of the Hawk for an additional five years until at least mid-2031, with options to extend further.

Upon completion of the LIF Engine Replacement Contract, the Hawk Mk127 airframe, engine, and support systems have sufficient life remaining to support the LOT extension. The LIFTS CDE will address Capability elements of the LIFTS Capability and Sustainment Roadmap supporting Air Combat capabilities to 2031 and beyond.

BAE Systems Australia will leverage the significant Australian Industry Capability (AIC) program already in place as part of the LIF program to deliver the LIFTS CDE project. It is our intention to continue the significant participation levels achieved for Australian Industry over the history of LIF operations in Australia.

The scope of work for the LIFTS CDE contract includes:

- a. Project management;
- b. Systems engineering, including systems engineering management, system definition, design, development, implementation, and speciality engineering;
- c. Integrated logistics support;
- d. Configuration management;
- e. Verification and validation;
- f. Quality management; and
- g. Health, safety, and environment.

The work packages that relate to a Sovereign Industry Capability Priority (SICP) and Australian Industry Activity (AIA) outcomes are:

- Enhanced active phased array and passive radar capability.
- Advanced signal processing.
- Mobilisation of the Hawk component of the CDE to perform engineering design, development, and certification.

The scope of work contracted to Australian Industry is summarised as follows:

- Total Australian Contract Expenditure under the LIFTS CDE Contract is \$17,577,317.
- Total AIA Value is \$16,094,487.
- Total Australian Overheads expenditure value is \$1,482,830.
- AIA comprises Project Management, Commercial Management, Systems Engineering Management including engineering design, development and integration, Certification and Configuration Management, and Integrated Logistics Support work performed by BAE Systems Australia in Williamstown, NSW.
- There are currently no Indigenous enterprises within the supply chain.
- It is expected a small number of Small Medium Enterprises (SME) will be included within the supply chain with future work opportunities.

Scope of Future Work Opportunities

The primary opportunities for future work relating to the contract SOW include:

- Supply of aerospace hardware.
- Supply of systems and/or sensors to support Air Combat and Joint Force training outcomes.
- Development of mission system and synthetic environment capabilities.
- Engineering technical support relating to Systems Engineering and Aerospace Engineering.

Where future work needs arise, there is no preference on the location within Australia where the work is performed.

Future Opportunities Industry Engagement:

In response to the Australian Government's Global Supply Chain initiative, BAE Systems established the Global Access Program (GAP) in 2012. Through our team embedded across our international business units, GAP creates export opportunities for Australian companies to access the supply chain of BAE Systems group and partner organisations.

In addition to identifying opportunities and providing introductions, our GAP team also offers companies mentoring and assistance with qualification and proposal writing.

BAE Systems Australia Approved Suppliers are those who have been assessed under our supplier evaluation and approval process, after successfully bidding and winning business with us. Once a Supplier is added to our Approved Suppliers List, they will participate in regular reviews to ensure performance is acceptable and the contract is still valid.

Current business opportunities can be found on the ICN Gateway.

<http://www.baesystems.com/en-us/our-company/about-us/our-suppliers>

Yours sincerely,

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