

## Airbus Group Australia Pacific Process Framework and Document Suite

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C-130J Australian Industry Capability Plan

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N/A	EXTERNAL	C388611	MGT-700

#### 1. PUBLIC AIC PLAN

#### 1.1. Company Details

Airbus Group Australia Pacific Limited 65-75 Pandanus Avenue, Brisbane Airport QLD, 4008, Australia http://www.airbusgroupap.com.au/

#### 1.2. Executive Summary

- 1.2.1. Airbus Group Australia Pacific Limited (Airbus) is contracted by the Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) as the prime contractor responsible for providing and managing Through Life Support (TLS) products and services for the RAAF C-130J Hercules aircraft. The major services are maintenance and aircraft servicing, engineering, and logistics and supply support. The contract was signed on 11 March 2009, and currently expires on 31 December 2022, with 'rolling wave' options for further extensions. The planned withdrawal date for the C-130J platform is 2030. The current total contract value (until 2022) is approximately \$440M, of which approximately \$159.8M represents Australian contract expenditure.
- 1.2.2. The principal subcontractor is the original equipment manufacturer of the C-130J aircraft, Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company (LM Aero). LM Aero are contracted to manage the majority of supply support services, including procurement of consumable parts, and Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul of repairable items. In addition, LM Aero provides specialist engineering reach back capability.
- 1.2.3. The primary location for work under the contract is RAAF Base Richmond, NSW, the main operating base for the RAAF C-130J. LM Aero operate from Marietta, Georgia and other locations within the USA, and also have personnel embedded within Airbus' team at RAAF Base Richmond.
- 1.2.4. Airbus engages a number of Australian Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs) to perform work under the contract. The scope of work performed by SMEs includes aircraft strip and repainting, MRO, procurement of consumable parts, and provision of contract labour supporting aircraft maintenance and engineering activities.

Table 1: Companies supplying services to Airbus under this contract

Vendor/Supplier	Product/Service	Locality
Bermil Australia Pty Ltd	Labour hire for Maintenance personnel	Warriewood, NSW
DeC Workforce Pty Ltd	Labour hire for Maintenance personnel	Adelaide, SA
NAS Pty Ltd	Labour hire for Maintenance personnel	Geelong, VIC
Lockheed Martin Aust Pty Ltd	Australian Labour Component	Melbourne, VIC
GSE Services	Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul	Sydney, NSW
Aero & Military Products Pty Ltd	Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul	Sydney, NSW
Milspec Services Pty Ltd	Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul	Sydney, NSW

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Douglas Aerospace Pty Ltd	Aircraft Surface Finishing	Wagga Wagga, NSW
Flying Colours Aviation Pty Ltd	Aircraft Surface Finishing	Townsville, QLD
Aerospace & Mechanical Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd	Engineering Support Services	Sydney, NSW
Quartek Pty Ltd	Engineering Support Services	Williamstown, VIC

## 1.3. Future Work Opportunities

- 1.3.1. The C-130J is a mature platform in the middle of its life cycle, with a stable contractual support arrangement. The primary opportunity for new Australian industry involvement is in the provision of engineering services to support the Block Upgrade program. Block Upgrade is a major avionics modernisation program, and will require extensive engineering services in order to integrate, qualify and certify the avionics system. Airbus may seek Australian industry support during the Block Upgrade program, expected to commence in 2021.
- 1.3.2. The following are the major equipment systems and services
  - a. C-130J Mission System; and
  - b. Related functional systems.

### 1.4. Future Opportunities for Industry Engagement

1.4.1. Airbus has robust policies regarding supplier qualification and selection, driven by our desire to achieve value for money for the Commonwealth. This includes fair and equitable tendering processes. Australian industry is welcome to contact Airbus' C-130J program to discuss business opportunities via email on <a href="mailto:c130jcommercial.airbusgroupap@airbus.com">c130jcommercial.airbusgroupap@airbus.com</a>

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