

APPENDIX D PUBLIC AIC PLAN

DEF129 Small Uncrewed Aerial System (SUAS) Acquisition and Support Contracts

Company Details:

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Executive Summary

SYPAQ will deliver the Corvo X Mission System as a complete next generation sovereign SUAS solution that meets the DEF129 capability requirements and provides operational and sustainment advantages, in a wholly Australian designed and manufactured solution. Corvo X is a revolutionary fixed wing Vertical Take Off and Landing (VTOL) solution that represents a significant capability enhancement over current systems available in the market.

The AIC Plan relating to the DEF129 SUAS Acquisition and Support Contracts introduces the extensive Australian Industry involvement of SYPAQ Systems in getting the Corvo X capability to a rate production phase.

The DEF129 SUAS Contracts are to supply and sustain small unmanned aerial systems by completing the following:

- All aspects of engineering including design, development, and acceptance testing of the Corvo X SUAS and its various sub-systems.
- All aspects of manufacturing including composite manufacture, electronics integration & assembly, 3D printing, precision machining, assembly of mechanical/electrical sub-systems and overall delivery of the Corvo X SUAS.
- All aspects of capability delivery including product provisioning, inventory management and supply support required for the ADF to effectively integrate and utilise the Corvo X SUAS.

The contract numbers are JASD/CON/36390/1 and JASD/CON/36390/2. The duration of the contract is from August 2024 through to the end of sustainment activities in June 2029.

The current contract value is AUD\$15,258,965.78 inc. GST (Acquisition) and AUD\$12,358,826.62 inc. GST (Support) in AUD. Over 90% of the Acquisition contract value, and 100% of the core Support contract value is being delivered by Australian industry and the active participation is as follows:

Australian Contractor	Local Industry Activity	Location	SME	Indigenous
SYPAQ Systems Pty Ltd	Manufacture and provide full support the Corvo X UAS over the lifetime of the products.	VIC	Yes	No
CODAN Communication	Supply and support Mesh radios modified specifically for the Corvo X UAS product.	SA	No	No
Maser Defence	Provision of GCS components.	NSW	Yes	No

Currawong Engineering	Machining of hardware components	TAS	Yes	No
AVCRM Product Pty Ltd	Assessment of airworthiness and mission planning capability	NSW	Yes	No
Pelican Products Pty Ltd	Manufacture specially designed cases to transfer the Corvo X product	VIC	No	No
AxisTek Pty Ltd	Machining services for general flight vehicle components	VIC	Yes	No

Scope of Future Work Opportunities:

Future opportunities that may arise under the Support phase of the DEF129 program include but are not limited to:

- Bespoke engineering support;
- Supply Chain & Logistics support;
- Alternate sovereign source components;
- Innovative components;
- Maintenance support.

As SYPAQ progresses through the Acquisition Phase and moves onto Support of the Corvo X SUAS, potential exists to upgrade capabilities of the Corvo X SUAS as driven by customer requirements as well as changes to supply chain conditions. SYPAQ Systems will seek industry engagement in these areas to continue to provide a value-for-money Corvo X SUAS solution.

Future Opportunities Industry Engagement:

SYPAQ Systems will conduct market scanning throughout the lifetime of the contract. SYPAQ Systems will seek to engage with potential suppliers for future opportunities via the following means:

- Trade show attendance including IndoPacific, Land Forces, AUSA, Australian and International Airshows including Team Defence Australia.
- Advertising within the relevant industry or Defence media platforms.
- Acknowledging performance of existing supply chain partners through further utilisation of provided supplies.
- Recommendations from other partners in the defence industry

Potential suppliers may contact the SYPAQ AIC Manager, Ricky Waters at supplychainenquiries@sypaq.com.au



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