

C-CBRNE Equipment

Counter-Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear and Explosive (C-CBRNE) Equipment Prime Vendor Contract

Customer	Commonwealth (Defence)
Industry Sector	Defence Land
Contract start date	2 April 2019
Contract end date	2 April 2024



Customer needs

The Commonwealth sought a Prime Vendor manager to support the Deployable Special Operations Engineers and their ability to combat evolving threats that they encounter. As an industry capability partner, the Prime Vendor is required to:

- › be ready, responsive and commercially agile at short notice
- › understand the end user community, can rapidly interpret capability requirements and source the correct equipment to combat evolving threats
- › understand the suppliers – both existing and emerging - their products, terms and conditions and can provide independent, transparent recommendations to Defence
- › introduce innovation in products, in training support and delivery, and in processes to reduce transactional workloads and save time
- › optimise operational availability through a fully integrated through-life capability management system

Nature and volume of service provided

Babcock provides complete acquisition, delivery into service, training and through life support for C-CBRNE equipment within Defence.

Acquisition services include the approach to market, tender evaluation and recommendations to the Commonwealth, support to test and evaluation of equipment, procurement and entry into service.

Through life support includes warehousing and distribution, training services, determination and management of the annual procurement plan, maintenance management and routine maintenance services, configuration management and disposal management.

Babcock also maintains a repair pool to ensure that units have a minimum 90% availability by equipment type.

Customer Benefits

Babcock is a truly independent capability partner to the Commonwealth. We offer a supplier-agnostic approach to procurement in line with Defence best practice and which all product suppliers respect. This ensures there is no conflict of interest and OEMs are not passing import IP to a potential competitor.

By establishing a single Prime Vendor, the Commonwealth has been able to simplify their transactionally heavy acquisition processes. To achieve the required outcomes and efficiencies, Babcock scaled our centralised systems, processes and tools to deliver reliable, agile and responsive acquisition and sustainment of the ADF's C-CBRNE equipment.

Babcock also holds full Engineering Authority and has developed a Land Technical Integrity Management Plan to support the C-CBRNE equipment.

