**Overview**

This response form should be read in conjunction with the consultation document published by the SSRO on 30 June 2025.

This consultation is open to all interested persons. We particularly welcome comments from individuals or organisations with an interest in single source defence procurement and ensuring that good value for money is obtained in the government expenditure on qualifying contracts and the prices paid under those contracts are fair and reasonable. Following our consideration of responses to the consultation, we aim to publish our response to the consultation by the end of October 2025.

**The consultation closes at 5pm on Monday 11 August 2025.** Responses received after this time may not be taken into account by the SSRO for this consultation but will be held to inform any future reviews.

Copies of this response form are available on the SSRO’s website. The response form can be completed electronically or printed and completed by hand. Completed response forms should be sent.

* by email to: **consultations@ssro.gov.uk** (preferred)
* by post to: Baseline profit rate consultation, SSRO, G51/G52, 100 Parliament Street, London, SW1A 2BQ
* by telephone including arranging an appointment to speak to the SSRO about the consultation: 020 3771 4767

**Your details**

Name:

Organisation:

Position:

Email address:

**Consultation questions**

You do not need to answer all the questions if you are only interested in some aspects of the consultation.

When answering the consultation questions, it would be very helpful if you could support your responses with additional explanation, detail and evidence as appropriate. This will help us to understand the basis for your response and inform our finalisation of the consultation response. Where relevant, please include the paragraph number(s) to which your comments relate to.

**Transparency and confidentiality**

In the interests of transparency, the SSRO’s preferred practice is to publish responses to its consultations, in full or in summary form. Your attention is drawn to the following SSRO policy statements, available on the SSRO’s website, setting out how it handles the confidential, commercially sensitive and personal information it receives and how it meets its obligations under the Defence Reform Act 2014, the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Single Source Regulations Office: Handling of Commercially Sensitive Information; and

The Single Source Regulations Office: Our Personal Information Charter

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| Do you consent to your response being published? YES / NO |
| Do you consent to your comments being attributed to you/your organisation? YES / NO |

If the above consents are not provided your response will only be published in an anonymised summary of responses.

Please note, if you do not consent to publication, we will treat your response as confidential to the extent of any disclosure that is required by law. In the event we are required by law to make a disclosure of your consultation response, to the extent we are legally permitted to do so, we will give you as much notice as possible prior to such a disclosure and will take into account all reasonable requests made by you in relation to the content of such a disclosure.

**Question 1**: Given the need to adopt NACE Rev. 2.1, do you have any comments on the SSRO’s proposed amendments as set out in the Appendix and the SSRO’s proposed timing of implementation of this change into the methodology?

Please add comments to support your answer:

**Question 2:** Do you support updating the company size thresholds used in the BPR assessment to continue to align with the revised company size thresholds as proposed, or should the thresholds stay as they are?

Please add comments to support your answer:

**Question 3:** Should the DM&S activity characterisation be expanded to include technical support services as a comparable activity? Please provide an explanation with evidence where possible to support your comments.

Please add comments to support your answer:

**Question 4:** Should the Ancillary Services activity characterisation be expanded to include labour outsourcing as a comparable activity? Please provide an explanation with evidence where possible to support your comments.

Please add comments to support your answer:

In addition, do you have any other feedback on our proposals including as to how the SSRO should implement these proposed changes to the methodology that are taken forward?

Please add comments to support your answer:

**Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback on the SSRO’s proposals.**