5 DUNDEE AIRPORT - FIRE TENDER SAFETY RAILS (AN190-2005)

In common with other airports in the UK, Dundee Airport is being asked by the Health and Safety Executive to fit safety rails to the upper surfaces of its fire tenders to enable them to conform to regulations regarding falls from height. Because these improvements will require the three vehicles to be withdrawn from service in rotation for the work to be done, it is important that the means of carrying it out involves the minimum possible down-time for each appliance. It is therefore recommended that the design and fitting of the safety rails should be awarded to the airport's current fire vehicle maintenance contractor, which has detailed knowledge of the vehicles and is in the best position to integrate the safety rail work with routine maintenance. It is therefore recommended that a contract for this work to a value of £8,502 should be awarded to Reynolds Boughton (Devon) Ltd. The airport capital programme for 2005-06 contains an allowance of £50,000 for investment in airport fire vehicles and the cost of this contract will be set against that allowance.