**Overview**

This response form should be read in conjunction with the consultation document.

This is a public consultation, which is open to anyone with an interest in the SSRO’s two statutory aims of obtaining good value for taxpayers’ money and a fair and reasonable prices for industry. We also welcome comments from people or organisations with a particular interest in defence (non-competitive) procurement. The consultation will close on 21 May 2021. Following our consideration of responses to the consultation, we will publish an updated profit rate guidance by the end of July 2021.

**Please respond by 5.00pm on Friday 21 May 2021.**

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**](mailto:consultations@ssro.gov.uk) (preferred)
* by post to: Baseline profit rate consultation responses, SSRO, Finlaison House, 15-17 Furnival Street, London, EC4A 1AB
* by telephone including arranging an appointment to speak to the SSRO about the consultation: 020 3771 4767

If you require paper copies of any of the draft documents or the response form, please contact us (using the email or correspondence address above to provide us with your contact details). We will be happy to post copies to you.

**Your details**

Name:

Organisation:

Position:

**Consultation questions**

Consultees do not need to answer all the questions if they 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 and detail. This will help us to understand the basis for your answer and inform our finalisation of the guidance. As a minimum, please include the paragraph number(s) your comment refers to.

In the interests of transparency, it is our intention to publish responses to this consultation on the SSRO website upon completion of the consultation. Please indicate whether or not you consent to publication of your response by marking one of the boxes below.

Yes No

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**: Please provide any evidence in relation to the impact of COVID-19 you believe is relevant to the SSRO assessment of the rates for 2022/23.



**Question 2;** The SSRO issued update guidance on the application of the six steps on 15 March 2021 that incorporated the Secretary of State’s announcement of a net zero BPR. Are any further changes to the guidance necessary as result of the determination of the net zero BPR?

Please add comments to support your answer:

**Question 3:** Assuming the SSRO incorporates a net zero BPR into its methodology, should the SSRO continue to set the rate at the level of the SSRO funding adjustment?

Please add comments to support your answer:



**Question 4:** Do you have further comments on the assessment and application of a net zero BPR?

Please add comments to support your answer:

