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SMH Mauritanie awards ATEX flare procurement contract

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SMH Mauritanie has issued a provisional award notice — designated CDC No. 03 — for the procurement of ATEX-certified flares, signalling an active equipment tender cycle at the Mauritanian hydrocarbons company. The provisional award notice represents an intermediate procurement instrument: a supplier has been identified as the preferred bidder, but the award is not yet final or ratified. Interested parties typically retain a brief window to raise objections before the contract is confirmed.

ATEX flares are explosion-protected torch systems certified for use in potentially explosive atmospheres, a standard safety requirement on hydrocarbon production, processing, and storage facilities. Their procurement by SMH — the Mauritanian state hydrocarbons entity — indicates ongoing operational or infrastructure activity requiring compliant safety and flaring equipment at one or more of its facilities.

Mauritania's hydrocarbons sector has seen growing activity in recent years, anchored by the Greater Tortue Ahmeyim LNG project straddling the Mauritania-Senegal maritime border. SMH holds a stake in national upstream assets and plays a central coordination role in the country's oil and gas development strategy. Equipment procurement cycles of this nature are consistent with sustaining or expanding operational readiness at producing or pre-production facilities.

The provisional nature of the award means the contract has not yet been ratified. The source document does not disclose the identity of the provisional awardee, the contract value, the quantity or specification of flares required, or the facility

destination. These details would ordinarily appear in a final award notice or be accessible through SMH's formal procurement channels.

For suppliers and service companies tracking Mauritania's equipment market, this notice confirms that SMH is running structured competitive procurement processes aligned with international safety standards. Companies that were not selected in this round should monitor for the final ratification notice and position themselves for future tender cycles as SMH's operational footprint develops.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The award is provisional and not yet ratified, so direct procurement outreach is premature; Norwegian safety and process equipment suppliers should monitor for the final ratification notice before engaging. Companies with ATEX-certified flare or safety systems portfolios should register with SMH's procurement portal and build visibility ahead of future tender rounds. This notice is a useful signal to map SMH's equipment sourcing cadence as Mauritania's operational infrastructure matures.

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- **Service:** ATEX safety equipment suppliers should track the final award ratification and register with SMH procurement for future flare and safety-system tenders.
- **LNG:** Monitor whether flare procurement is linked to Greater Tortue Ahmeyim LNG infrastructure, which would indicate expanding operational readiness at that facility.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** If flares are destined for offshore or floating production units, FPSO outfitters and topsides specialists should seek clarification on facility scope in the final award notice.
- **Pipeline:** Pipeline and processing facility operators supplying to SMH should note this procurement cycle as an indicator of active infrastructure maintenance or expansion budgets.

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