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Contract

Provision of specialist railway telecoms consultancy

FIRST RAIL HOLDINGS LIMITED

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of specialist railway telecoms consultancy

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of specialist railway telecoms consultancy for FirstRail Train Operating Companies, to support and deliver a range of strategically important technology related programmes relating to SISS (Station Information & Surveillance Systems), station network connectivity, fire systems, and revenue protection programmes.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The procurements of the consultancy services will include the following scope:

Advisory:

Prepare technical and functional specifications to support TOC procurement campaigns.

Develop asset renewal and enhancement strategies.

Support the production of business cases and justification for change.

Advise on national SISS / Telecom's policy driven by Network Rail (NR) and other stakeholders including knowledge of Station Leases, Loan-to-Cost (LTC), station annexes, and access conditions.

Design Assurance:

Independently review and recommend technical approval of 3rd party designs.

Act as Contractors Responsible Engineer (CRE), and Contractors Engineering Manager (CEM), for client schemes.

Provide technical input into 3rd party schemes and projects.

Provide independent assurance support to high value / high profile Telecoms programmes (5G).

Property Project Management:

Provide turnkey specialist property project management and delivery services (SISS, operational communications, construction) within the following areas:

Project Management

Project Engineering

Construction Management (on-site delivery, audit, compliance, snagging)

QHSE Management

Project Planning (understanding the sequencing and delivery of this specialised asset

group)

Project Risk Management

Contract Management:

Provide contract administration that is underpinned by deep technical knowledge of SISS and Railway Telecoms.

Significantly improves management of claims and variations.

Cost Consultancy:

Provide QS and cost management services underpinned by deep technical knowledge of SISS and Railway Telecoms.

Develop complex cost models for high-value CAPEX programmes relating to SISS / Ops Comms. This supports FG strategy with NWR in terms of asset ownership.

The scope detailed in points 1-5 above is in relation to the following Railway Station Information and Security Systems:

CIS systems (legacy and new)

PA systems (legacy and new)

CCTV systems (legacy and new)

Hybrid CCTV systems

CCTV VMS Systems

CCTV Video Analytics

CCTV Networks

Passenger Help Points (Fixed, VoIP, GSM)

Fire, Security and Access Control

Driver Only Operation Systems

Lineside Transmission & Networks (Fibre and Copper)

Trackside Telecoms systems (5G, CCTV, Wi-Fi)

Operational Radio Systems (GSM-R)

Transmission Systems (legacy and new)

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This is a Framework Agreement for two years, with an optional extension period of two years, one year at a time.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 November 2022

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 December 2022

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 October 2022

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court London

London

Country

United Kingdom