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Planning

Consultancy Review of Towage Needs and Provision Models

Dover Harbour Board

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Dover Harbour Board

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Buyer's address

<https://www.portofdover.com/corporate/suppliers-prospective-suppliers/>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.6) Main activity

Port-related activities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Consultancy Review of Towage Needs and Provision Models

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73220000 - Development consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The object of this review is to carry out a full assessment of current and future towage needs at the Port, evaluating all towage provision models matching these requirements, and presenting a conclusion on the most suitable model to fulfil the Ports requirements.

The consultant is expected to respect the sensitive nature of the review, and would be expected to follow stages similar to those outlined, providing regular progress updates, as well as a report at the end of each stage and agreed plan for the next stage which is to be approved by Port of Dover:

Discovery Stage: Current operations, requirements and future needs, including future commercial direction.

Options Stage: Proposal of towage provision models suitable to meeting the needs of the Port, including all in-source, out-source and creative options. To present options and agree approach to Evaluation Stage.

Evaluation and Presentation Stage: Evaluate and comparison of all suitable models, concluding which of those is most suitable, including presentation of market benchmarking and direction taken by other similar Ports.

The review should consider and asses, but not limited to, the following factors for each of the proposed models:

Risks associated with each model, including but not limited to: Commercial, Reputational, Operational, Financial.

Benefits associated with each model.

Whole life comparison of each model.

Investment/financial appraisal of each model/option. Including (but not limited to) NPV, IRR and payback metrics - where applicable. Taking into consideration the complete relevant whole life cost of each option for appropriate comparison.

Working time assessment outlining suitable crewing models and shift patterns to optimise hours of rest, resilience and fulfil operational efficiency.

Shoreside vessel management and support.

Commercial and revenue generating opportunities. Including tariff benchmarking of other Port's and towage providers.

Operational resilience and redundancy.

Safety benefits and challenges.

Challenges to the business in implementing each towage model.

Potential transition and implementation strategy for each model.

Alignment to the Ports Corporate Goals and Values.

Assessment of most suitable vessel size and bollard pull (may be determined by simulation work).

Assessment of most appropriate vessel propulsion system or fuel to align with the Ports Sustainability targets and IMO 2050, including environmental and infrastructure requirement and impact assessment of each.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services
- 79420000 - Management-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

Main site or place of performance

Dover Harbour Board

Dover Harbour Board,

Harbour House,

Marine Parade,

Dover

CT17 9BU

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 March 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

31 January 2025

Local time

5:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English