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Contract

**N/A**

National Highways

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d3f6

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## **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

National Highways

Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close

Guildford

GU1 4LZ

**Email**

[gavin.murphie@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:gavin.murphie@nationalhighways.co.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

09346363

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.nationalhighways.co.uk](http://www.nationalhighways.co.uk)

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

N/A

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

As per the Contract Notice (2016/S 060-101548), this contract is for the provision, operation, and maintenance of telecommunications services between the roadside and various central locations for National Highways, the body responsible for England's

motorway and trunk road network.

Whilst the authority for National Roads Telecommunications Service (NRTS2) project is National Highways Company Limited (and any future successor to this organisation), the Secretary of State for Transport will be a named beneficiary of the NRTS2 contract as some of the assets/contracts to which the NRTS2 services relate are in the name of the Secretary of State (e.g. those relating to the M6 toll motorway and the Severn River Crossing).

The scope of the NRTS2 contract includes the maintenance, deployment and further development of the NRTS services which currently provide services to approximately 30,000 locations on 3,500km of motorways and trunk roads, which provide connectivity between control centers and roadside devices.

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Duration in months

12

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

Notice number: [2016/S 060-101548](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

523735-2017

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:**

16 January 2025

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Telent Technology Services Limited

Point 3 Haywood Road

Warwick

CV34 5AH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

00703317

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £475,552,629

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department for Transport

Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road

London

SW1P4DR

Country

United Kingdom

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### **VII.1.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

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various central locations for National Highways, the body responsible for England's motorway and trunk road network.

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#### **VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Duration in months

12

#### **VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£676,000,000

#### **VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Telent Technology Services Limited

Point 3 Haywood Road

Warwick

CV34 5AH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

00703317

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

In March 2018 National Highways entered into the National Roadside Telecommunications Services 2 contract with Telent Technology Services (Telent) for the provision, operation and maintenance of telecommunications services (NRTS2 Contract) (please refer to OJEU notice with reference 2016/S 060-101548).

The NRTS2 Contract has a maximum term of 9 years (allowing for a 2 year extension) and is currently due to expire in March 2027. National Highways has exercised the 2 year extension and the purpose of this notice is to notify you that National Highways will be entering into a deed of variation with Telent to extend the NRTS2 Contract by an additional 12 months beyond the extension period included in the contract. The value of the extension is detailed in section VII.2.3 of this notice; this figure allows for delivery of the existing services and any optional services that may be required during the extension.

National Highways is currently engaged in the procurement of the National Roadside Telecommunications Services 3 contract (the NRTS3 Contract) (please see PIN reference 2024/S 000-041155, with the Tender Notice currently expected to be published in April 2025). The extension of time under the NRTS2 Contract allows for additional time for National Highways to complete both the procurement of the NRTS3 Contract under the new Procurement Act 2023 and its required governance processes, given the significance and value of the NRTS3 Contract, whilst ensuring continuity of existing services during this period. The NRTS3 Contract is expected to be awarded in 2028 under a competitive flexible procurement and a sufficient time needs to be allowed for a suitable transition and

mobilisation period with the existing supplier.

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

The extension of time is a permitted variation pursuant to both Regulation 72(1)(b) and (e). It allows for additional services that are necessary where a change in contractor cannot be made for economic or technical reasons without causing significant inconvenience or a substantial duplication of costs. Further the services will be delivered under the existing contract and the extension is not a substantial modification to the terms of the NRTS2 Contract.

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £475,552,629

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £676,000,000