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## **Replacement for ISDN and PSTN Services**

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

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

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

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://firescotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19543](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19543)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Replacement for ISDN and PSTN Services

Reference number

NP3A-019-2425

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

- 64214000 - Dedicated-business telephone network services

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

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

In November 2017, the telecoms industry announced an intention to withdraw services based on old analogue networks, specifically the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) and the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN). SFRS currently use these services extensively for delivery of 999 telephony, corporate telephony, and operational mobilisation. Services being withdrawn by this initiative will be replaced by digital alternatives based on a modern fibre infrastructure.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £606,875

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

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

- 32551400 - Telephone network

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

In November 2017, the telecoms industry announced an intention to withdraw services based on old analogue networks, specifically the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) and the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN). SFRS currently use these services extensively for delivery of 999 telephony, corporate telephony, and operational mobilisation. BT is the sole provider of 999 telephony in the UK and will provide an alternative to the existing services

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Services may increase or decrease throughout the lifetime of the contract.

### **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.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

BT are the sole provider of 999 Telephony in the UK.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

### **Contract No**

NP3A-019-2425

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

30 January 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

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

BT

15 York Street, Glasgow

Glasgow

G2 8LA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £606,875

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=789316](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=789316).

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

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

Glasgow Sherriff Court

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Any economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering loss, damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contract (Scotland)

Regulations 2015 (SSI2015/446) (as amended) may bring proceedings to the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session