

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/003468-2025>

Contract

## **CA296 (2024) - Data & Architecture Specialist Resource Augmentation**

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-003468

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-044467

Published 3 February 2025, 1:02pm

### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

120 Malone Road

Belfast

BT9 5HT

#### **Email**

[Clare.Grieve@nienetworks.co.uk](mailto:Clare.Grieve@nienetworks.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

## **I.6) Main activity**

Electricity

---

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

CA296 (2024) - Data & Architecture Specialist Resource Augmentation

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

- 72222300 - Information technology services

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

Services

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

NIE Networks wanted to establish framework panels of suitably qualified and experienced service providers who could provide resources for the following areas:

Lot 1 - Data Specialists - Provision of data development resources to assist the inhouse Data Team in the analysis and reporting of business data.

Lot 2 - Architecture Specialists - Provision of technical architect resources to assist the inhouse IT Team in the delivery of the RP7 programme of work.

The resulting framework panels will be for provision of professional service provision.

In order to meet all of the business needs, NIE Networks wanted to appoint suitably qualified and experienced Data & Architecture Specialists (under separate Framework Panels for each Lot, with the individual successful bidders), to provide the services by working closely with the IT Team.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £13,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 - Data Specialists

Lot No

1

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

- 72212482 - Business intelligence software development services
- 72212600 - Database and operating software development services
- 72212610 - Database software development services
- 72240000 - Systems analysis and programming services
- 72243000 - Programming services
- 72244000 - Prototyping services
- 72262000 - Software development services
- 72263000 - Software implementation services
- 72300000 - Data services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

NIE Networks has established a panel of six organisations and appointed each on to framework agreements for this Lot 1, in accordance with the ITT documentation.

It was envisaged to acquire experienced data specialists who can provide support and

development services across the current data landscape and possible new data technology areas which may be implemented during the period of the framework agreement.

The framework for this lot has been awarded for a period of 3 years, with the option to extend (entirely at the discretion of NIE Networks) for up to a further 2 periods of up to 2 years each. That is a possible 7 years in total (3 years, with optional 2 x 2-year extensions).

## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Optional extension period of further 2 periods of up to 2 years each.

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

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 – Architecture Specialists

Lot No

2

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72100000 - Hardware consultancy services
- 72110000 - Hardware selection consultancy services
- 72120000 - Hardware disaster-recovery consultancy services

- 72130000 - Computer-site planning consultancy services
- 72140000 - Computer hardware acceptance testing consultancy services
- 72150000 - Computer audit consultancy and hardware consultancy services
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72212732 - Data security software development services
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72222000 - Information systems or technology strategic review and planning services
- 72222100 - Information systems or technology strategic review services
- 72222200 - Information systems or technology planning services
- 72223000 - Information technology requirements review services
- 72224100 - System implementation planning services
- 72227000 - Software integration consultancy services
- 72228000 - Hardware integration consultancy services
- 72240000 - Systems analysis and programming services
- 72243000 - Programming services
- 72244000 - Prototyping services
- 72246000 - Systems consultancy services
- 72262000 - Software development services
- 72263000 - Software implementation services
- 72266000 - Software consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

NIE Networks has placed a panel of five organisations and appointed each on to framework agreements for this Lot 2, in accordance with the ITT documentation.

It was envisaged to acquire experienced architects who can provide services across the current landscape and possible new technology areas which may be implemented during the period of the framework agreement.

The framework for this lot is awarded for a period of 3 years, with the option to extend (entirely at the discretion of NIE Networks) for up to a further 2 periods of up to 2 years each. That is a possible 7 years in total (3 years, with optional 2 x 2-year extensions).

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Optional extension period of a further 2 periods of up to 2 years each.

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

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

---

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

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

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-006564](#)

---

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

### **Contract No**

CA296 (2025)

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Lot 1 - Data Specialist Resource Augmentation Framework

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

17 January 2025

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 14

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Accenture Limited

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE0 - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

CGI IT UK Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Ernst & Young LLP

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

KPMG Ireland

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

OCC Computer Personnel (Northern) Ltd

Cheshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Version 1 Software Limited

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

---

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

### **Contract No**

CA296 (2025)

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Lot 2 - Architecture Specialist Resource Augmentation Framework

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

17 January 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 7

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Accenture Limited

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

CGI IT UK Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Ernst & Young LLP

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

KPMG Ireland

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Version 1 Software Limited

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

---

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

120 Malone Road

Belfast

BT9 5HT

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

High Court in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom