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## **Account Based Ticketing Services**

FIRST GREATER WESTERN LIMITED

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKC - North East (England)

#### **Companies House**

05113733

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gwr.com/>

**I.6) Main activity**

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Account Based Ticketing Services

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

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

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

Services

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

It is our intention to undertake an extension and variation to an existing contract. The contract variation is for the extension of existing provision of the fares calculation engine for GWR's Account Based Ticketing Scheme for a period of 27 months. Such extension and variation will provide an interim solution pending review and definition of the required longer-term strategy and subsequent procurement process.

#### **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**

Extension of contract for the provision of Account Based Ticketing fares calculation engine for GWR.

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

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This contract award and extension represent the most prudent and strategically sound course of action, ensuring continuity of service, operational resilience, and minimal organisational disruption. A change in contracting partner at this stage would give rise to significant technical compatibility and interoperability challenges, as well as considerable duplication of cost. The proposed approach enables the continued delivery of essential services at a reduced overall cost, with limited incremental implementation expenditure, during a period of substantial industry reform and uncertainty. This arrangement is intended as an interim solution for a period of 27 months. Before the extension expires, we will undertake a comprehensive review, of market conditions, regulatory developments, and technological options, to inform the future procurement process, in full compliance with the applicable requirements.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

13 January 2026

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

First Greater Western Limited

Swindon

Country

United Kingdom