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Award

M365 software licences

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e5e2

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks

120 Malone Road,

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.nienetworks.co.uk>

I.6) Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

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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: £771,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48100000 - Industry specific software package
- 48400000 - Business transaction and personal business software package
- 48700000 - Software package utilities

- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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.2.14) Additional information

A competitive procurement exercise to source this requirement from another vendor is not possible due to the need to progress the outputs urgently, until such times as a new procurement process is in place.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting entity
- Bargain purchase taking advantage of a particularly advantageous opportunity available for a very short time at a price considerably lower than market prices

Explanation:

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IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

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

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 February 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

Bytes Software Services Ltd

Bytes House, Randalls Way, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 7TW

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United Kingdom

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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: £771,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Ltd

120 Malone Road

Belfast

BT9 5HT

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3 JY

Country

United Kingdom