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## **Dartford & Hindhead HATMS Tunnel Systems (Cubic)**

National Highways

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

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

National Highways

Birmingham

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

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

Main address

<https://nationalhighways.co.uk>

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

National or federal Agency/Office

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Transport

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### **Section II: Object**

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

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

Dartford & Hindhead HATMS Tunnel Systems (Cubic)

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

National Highways has an ongoing requirement for critical services related to the Dartford Crossing and Hindhead HATMS tunnel systems. This is to ensure the continuation of essential services amidst ongoing uncertainties and the development of a comprehensive exit strategy. All HATMS services must remain operational until replaced by CHARM and a new tunnels solution is procured. The focus is to maintain system availability and reliability, only implementing necessary hardware or software refreshes for maintainability.

##### **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: £3,974,382

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The contract will provide the necessary time to resolve ongoing intellectual property (IPR) issues with one of the incumbent suppliers. In addition, critical services such as HE Traffic Camera Website (HETC), System Protocol Interface for Windows CE (SPICE), and Automatic Camera Test Tool (ACT) will continue under these contracts until suitable replacements are in place.

If these critical national infrastructure services are not continued, major disruptions will occur in the Southeast and East regions, including Dartford and Hindhead tunnels. This will pose significant safety risks and reputational damage to National Highways. Failure to retain these services may result in the closure of critical national infrastructure assets due to an inability to operate them safely and effectively, potentially jeopardising National Highways' licence to operate.

Description of services:

HATMS Subsystems and software support across all ROCs & Hindhead and Dartford tunnels (Dartford HATMS, Hindhead MIDAS SubSystem, East HATMS and Sub Systems, South East HATMS SubSystems).

#### **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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to restricted procedure

Explanation:

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HETC is especially important, as the ADTS project is still in its early stages, with no proof of concept or supplier tendered. HETC remains a crucial backup system during DYNAC incidents in CHARM regions. Similarly, SPICE and ACT are essential services that will be maintained until the exit strategy is fully developed and implemented.

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#### 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

### Title

Dartford & Hindhead HATMS Tunnel Systems (Cubic)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

21 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**

Cubic Transportation Systems Ltd

AFC House, Honeycrook Lane

Salfords, Surrey

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £3,974,382

**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom