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Contract

Award of Project Gigabit in Scotland - Lot 1 - Borders and East Lothian

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw

Glasgow

G2 8LU

Email

Gigabit@gov.scot

Telephone

+44 3002444000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Award of Project Gigabit in Scotland - Lot 1 - Borders and East Lothian

Reference number

project_26082

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Deployment of infrastructure that will facilitate access to gigabit capable internet connections to premises which are not expected to be otherwise covered by suppliers' commercial plans.

This procurement is for the award of a Regional Supplier Contract in the Borders and East Lothian area. This is part of the Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy scheme.

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: £26,201,841

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412100 - Telecommunications network
- 32425000 - Network operating system
- 32412000 - Communications network

- 32562300 - Optical-fibre cables for data transmission
- 32570000 - Communications equipment
- 45231600 - Construction work for communication lines
- 45232300 - Construction and ancillary works for telephone and communication lines
- 64227000 - Integrated telecommunications services
- 45232332 - Ancillary works for telecommunications
- 50330000 - Maintenance services of telecommunications equipment
- 32510000 - Wireless telecommunications system
- 50332000 - Telecommunications-infrastructure maintenance services
- 50334400 - Communications system maintenance services
- 64210000 - Telephone and data transmission services
- 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32572000 - Communications cable
- 32420000 - Network equipment
- 32424000 - Network infrastructure
- 45314000 - Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 32500000 - Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 45314310 - Installation of cable laying
- 32571000 - Communications infrastructure
- 32412110 - Internet network
- 32572200 - Communications cable with coaxial conductors
- 32562100 - Optical-fibre cables for information transmission
- 45314300 - Installation of cable infrastructure

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian
- UKM91 - Scottish Borders

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In March 2021, the UK Government announced an ambition to deliver nationwide gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure, recognising that there is a need for government intervention in the parts of the country that are not commercially viable. They have committed a total of 5 billion GBP to ensure that all areas of the UK can benefit. This will be spent through a package of coordinated and mutually supportive interventions, collectively known as Project Gigabit, with an initial intervention of 1.2 billion GBP targeting at least 85% gigabit coverage of the UK by 2025 and nationwide gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure by 2030.

As part of Project Gigabit, the Scottish Government is working with Building Digital UK (BDUK) to deliver contracts to suppliers delivering gigabit-capable wholesale infrastructure in Scotland. This procurement approach will be a successor to the Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband programme and work in parallel with the Scottish Government's current Reaching 100% (R100) programme.

This contract award is for the Borders and East Lothian Area and was tendered through BDUK's Project Gigabit procurement dynamic purchasing system (DPS).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 65

Price - Weighting: 35

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

GoFibre Holdings Limited

8th Floor, Exchange Tower, 19 Canning Street

Edinburgh

EH3 8EG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://gofibre.co.uk/>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £26,201,841

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:780314)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers St

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom