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Contract

GD3 Framework

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE42 - Leeds

Companies House

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.northerngasnetworks.co.uk

I.6) Main activity

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

GD3 Framework

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Framework partners will support NGN on various technical aspects of the strategic business plan and submissions to external parties. The Framework is split in to 10 LOTS of services,

which are -

1. Market Research and Analysis
2. Regulatory Finance
3. Regulatory Strategy
4. Cost assessment and efficiency
5. Incentivisation
6. Strategic Positioning
7. Business Plan Project Support and Design
8. Efficiency and Effectiveness Assessments of business functions, Innovation, and future energy transition
9. Governance and Assurance
10. Review and Validation

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England

- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2021/S 000-000004](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

GD3 Framework

Title

GD3 Framework

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V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 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

Aqua Consultants

Harrogate

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

Companies House

Aqua Consultants

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Baringa Partners LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

Baringa Partners LLP

The contractor is an SME

No

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ChandlerKBS Limited

Cardiff

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

Companies House

ChandlerKBS Limited

The contractor is an SME

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CRA International (UK) Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

CRA International (UK) Limited

The contractor is an SME

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Deecon Consulting Limited

Uxbridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

Companies House

Deecon Consulting Limited

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.6) Price paid for bargain purchases

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

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DNV Services UK Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

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The contractor is an SME

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Economic Insight Limited (

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Efficio Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

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Companies House

Efficio Limited

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Environmental Resources Management Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

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- UKI - London

Companies House

Environmental Resources Management Limited

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Frontier Economics Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

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Guidehouse Europe Ltd

London

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United Kingdom

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Guidehouse Europe Ltd

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ICS Consulting Limited

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

Companies House

ICS Consulting Limited

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KPMG LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

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Companies House

KPMG LLP

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Forvis Mazars LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

Forvis Mazars LLP

The contractor is an SME

No

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Ove Arup & Partners Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

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The contractor is an SME

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Oxera Consulting LLP

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Companies House

Oxera Consulting LLP

The contractor is an SME

No

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PA Consulting Services Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

PA Consulting Services Limited

The contractor is an SME

No

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SIA Partners UK Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

SIA Partners UK Ltd

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Turner & Townsend Infrastructure Limited

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE42 - Leeds

Companies House

Turner & Townsend Infrastructure Limited

The contractor is an SME

No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Gas Networks

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

www.northerngasnetwork.co.uk