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CI195 & 331 TSSSA STSS+ Option3/ 3a

NORTHERN TRAINS LIMITED

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

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Companies House

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Internet address(es)

Main address

www.northernrailway.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Railway Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CI195 & 331 TSSSA STSS+ Option3/ 3a

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 34620000 - Rolling stock

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Extension to the current Initial Technical Support Services ITSS delivered against the Technical Support and Spares Supply Agreement (TSSSA) in respect of a fleet of 30 x 3-car and 25 x 2-car Civity UK diesel multiple units and associated equipment (Class 195) and Technical Support and Spares Supply Agreement (TSSSA) in respect of a fleet of 12 x 4-car and 31 x 3-car Civity UK electric multiple units and associated equipment Class 331.

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: £4,600,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

From the 12/04/2024 until 11/04/2025 CAF are to provide the necessary labour provisions to ensure delivery of the Technical Support and Spares Supply Agreement in respect of a fleet of 30 x 3-car and 25 x 2-car Civity UK diesel multiple units and associated equipment (Class 195) and Technical Support and Spares Supply Agreement in respect of a fleet of 12 x 4-car and 31 x 3-car Civity UK electric multiple units and associated equipment Class 331.

The labour provided are already within CAF and have the correctly assessed competencies of technical support. By keeping services in place with CAF for the next 12 months will avoid a cliff-edge drop in reliability and availability that would result from moving the labour supply away from CAF. The 12 month extension provides Northern with the flexibility to ramp up internal resources. On the Expiry Date the impacted Service Provider employees will transfer to the Operator as to ensure the technical competencies are available.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

CAF are the Original Equipment Manufacturer of these fleets of trains and since the trains were first introduced CAF through the ITSS provisions of the TSSSA have developed their workforce with the technical capabilities and competencies required in order to maintain the fleets across the various locations Northern operate and maintain these fleets from.

Retaining this higher level of technical support from CAF for the next 12 months will avoid a cliff-edge drop in reliability and availability that would result from moving the labour supply away from CAF. The 12 month extension provides Northern with the flexibility to ramp up internal resources. On the Expiry Date the impacted Service Provider employees will transfer to the Operator as to ensure the technical competencies are available.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 March 2024

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

CAF Rail UK Limited

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

NI051735

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: £4,200,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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