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Contract

COV - CVLR Live Environment Construction Testing (LECT) Operator

Coventry City Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-010850

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c7ed

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Coventry City Council

Council House, Earl Street

Coventry

CV15RR

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG33 - Coventry

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.coventry.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

COV - CVLR Live Environment Construction Testing (LECT) Operator

Reference number

COV-21323

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60200000 - Railway transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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The primary objective of the Coventry Very Light Rail Project is to create an affordable integrated transport system that comprises a lightweight low-cost vehicle and innovative trackform. The low cost means it can be implemented at scale, thereby driving significant mode shift to a low carbon mode, with an ambition to achieve zero carbon ultimately by using renewable energy to power the system.

A full CVLR network is envisaged in the future but to allow this to be managed in a safe and effective manner, the first stage will be a CVLR Live Environment Construction Testing (LECT) route.

CVLR LECT will be operational for a four (4) week period from Monday 19 May 2025 through Sunday 15 June 2025. The vehicle will be transferred to Coventry on Monday 19 May 2025. The awarded Operator will be required to perform some pre-work such as creation of Safety Management System ("SMS") and driver training.

A vehicle operator is required to operate the CVLR vehicle through the period outlined above. A concept of operations (ConOps) has been developed and outlines how Coventry Very Light Rail (CVLR) Live Test Environment Construction Testing (LECT) is expected to be operated under normal, degraded and emergency scenarios.

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: £35,676

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 60210000 - Public transport services by railways

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG33 - Coventry

Main site or place of performance

Coventry

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Safe Operation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Management & Delivery / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Risk Mitigation / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40.00

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

Issue of a qualifying Prior Information Notice to reduce timescales to 15 calendar days.

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

Contract No

COV-21323

Title

COV - Live Environment Construction Testing (LECT) Operator

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

RailAdventure UK Ltd

Birmingham

B3 2HJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

12448249

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £35,676

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom