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Future opportunity

National Weather Management System PIN

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

National Weather Management System PIN

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71351600 - Weather-forecasting services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The railway industry requires a bespoke sustainable National Weather Management Service

to align with delivering a successful and passenger focused operational railway.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The railway industry requires a bespoke sustainable National Weather Management Service to align with delivering a successful and passenger focused operational railway.

The effects of weather on our infrastructure import significant safety risks and the accurate strategic planning of the day to day operations require a weather service that is aligned specifically to industry standards and requirements. The service is required to be able to adapt to any industry changes and recommendations that are derived from formal investigations following weather related accidents / incidents, and new industry challenges that are identified.

Network Rail will be retendering its current National Weather Management Service and would like to gain pre-market intelligence ahead of this.

The purpose of this RFI is to engage with the supply base and request information relating to the existing National Weather Management Service solutions available in the market, specifically this RFI will look to address the following areas

- Identify the existing solutions available in the market

- Identify the functionality and capabilities of the services available in the market
- Identify indicative costs of the software solutions available in the market
- Identify any additional capabilities that Network Rail may have not considered
- Ensure suppliers who are interested in any potential future tender activity relating to this requirement are aware of the procurement platform that will be used, and provide them with the steps to complete qualification to this platform (should they not have already done so)

Please note that any content received via response to this RFI will be used purely for information purposes only and will not be deemed as forming part of any proposed bid now, or any potential future tender.

Should you wish to respond to this RFI please complete the attached document titled “National Weather Management Service – RFI Submission Template”, this can be accessed via the link and instructions below.

1. Follow the link - <https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>
2. From the welcome screen, access the “View Current Opportunities” link and select “National Weather Management Service - Request for Information”.
3. Click on the attachment – “National Weather Management Service – RFI Submission Template”

Once completed please send your submission document via email as attachment to Victoria.rampton@networkrail.co.uk with the email subject " National Weather Management Service RFI". The response deadline for this RFI is 5pm 30/05/2022.

Any questions or clarifications in respect of this RFI should be addressed to Victoria.rampton@networkrail.co.uk.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

20 January 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No