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## **Provision of a Direct Debit Solution**

Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency

Swansea

#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

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#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 66000000 - Financial and insurance services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This is a voluntary ex ante transparency (VEAT) notice. DVLA intends to award a contract to Target Group Limited for the provision of a Direct Debit Service commencing on 1st June 2024.

This is to ensure continuous operation of the existing Direct Debit service; allowing enough time for DVLA to undertake a new tender process for a future Direct Debit Service. The future Direct Debit Service opportunity will be advertised in line with the relevant contract regulations.

DVLA intends to award the contract without a call for competition in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 32.2 (b) ii.

The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

- absence of competition for technical reasons

DVLA will not enter the proposed contract before 23rd April 2024.

#### **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: £11,170,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 66000000 - Financial and insurance services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) (The Authority) is an Executive Agency of DfT, based in Swansea. The Agency's primary aims are to facilitate road safety and general law enforcement by maintaining accurate registers of drivers and vehicle keepers and to collect Vehicle Excise Duty (VED).

A DD payment option was introduced from 1st October 2014 which enables End Users to currently pay the full annual VED amount in one annual instalment, pay for a 6-month licensing period in one instalment or opt to spread the costs evenly over the term of a 12-month licensing period.

- Currently, over 1.3 million mandates are created per month, this is split between circa new (40%) and renewed (60%) mandates.
- On average, Direct Debit payments total approximately £225m a month.
- The total value of the contract for the financial years 2018-2023 is in the region of £25 million

### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

PS/23/05

### **Title**

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

11 April 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**

Target Group Limited

Newport

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £11,170,000

### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department for Transport

London

Country

United Kingdom

