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Tender

Removal and Installation of Dubh Artach Entrance Platform

Northern Lighthouse Board

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Scope

Description

NLB have a requirement for the removal and installation of the entrance platform at Dubh Artach lighthouse, situated off the west coast of Scotland, approximately 70 miles south-west of Oban, at a position of 56° 08.0' North, 06° 37.9' West. The structure stands 38 meters high and is constructed from granite blocks. The light is at an elevation of 44 metres, flashes 2 white every 30 seconds, and has a range of 20 miles.

The lighthouse tower is the only building on the rock outcrop. The tower is accessed by a vertical ladder from the base of the tower to a steel platform 9.8m above. The ladder is fitted with a fall arrest system that must be used when climbing the ladder.

The primary access to Dubh Artach Lighthouse is by helicopter, and landing at this light is only to be carried out on the ebb tide. Due to the limited time window for helicopter operations the successful contractor will be required to stay on site, living within the lighthouse tower. An NLB technician will be on site for the duration of the works to supervise and maintain a functioning light. We are estimating 4 people in total staying at the lighthouse during the accessible periods outlined below, 3 maximum from the successful contractor and 1 NLB technician. Our requirement is for the removal of the existing aluminium entrance platform at Dubh Artach, then installing the replacement

entrance platform to completion, currently being manufactured by a third party to NLB drawings specifications.

Due to the location of this site, the majority of materials and equipment will be transported to and from site via NLB vessel & helicopter.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Edinburgh:-Works-for-complete-or-part-construction-and-civil-engineering-work./UE3TT9YQ93>

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Total value (estimated)

- £50,000 excluding VAT
- £60,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2025 to 30 August 2025
- Possible extension to 31 December 2025
- 7 months

Description of possible extension:

Due to potential delays in getting access to the site at the proposed dates, these works may have to be extended and will finish when completed.

Main procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work
- 45315100 - Electrical engineering installation works

Contract locations

- UKM - Scotland

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

18 April 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

20 May 2025, 3:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Bill of Quantities completion	Long criteria description	Price	40%
Provide a detailed statement on how your company intends to approach proposed works, as per requirement.	Long criteria description	Quality	35%
Risk Assessments & Method Statements - we will require an example of previous work submitted, not site specific to these works at this time.	Long criteria description	Quality	15%
Please provide a programme of Works for the dates proposed	Long criteria description	Quality	10%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Northern Lighthouse Board

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMGV-7529-QWXG

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