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Tender

Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Ltd

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

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Main address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk>

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Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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I.6) Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

Reference number

S1133 (2024)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 51000000 - Installation services (except software)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The S1133 (2024) contract will facilitate NIE Networks' internal work requirements associated with the provision of Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £65,700,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1- Cable Jointing Services

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 45231400 - Construction work for electricity power lines
- 45311100 - Electrical wiring work
- 45311200 - Electrical fitting work
- 45314300 - Installation of cable infrastructure

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Cable Jointing Services (33kV, 11kV, LV mains and LV service) associated with:

a) Provision of New Customer Connections

b) Fault and Emergency Response (including provision of resources on a standby rota)

c) Asset Installation / Replacement / Upgrade Works

- Installation of steel work and cleating for supporting cables
- Working at Heights (involving competent utilisation of Mobile Elevated Working Platforms, scaffold/platforms and ladders)
- Working in cable basements, cable culverts or other restricted work spaces
- Recording of NIE Networks Asset Information

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

96

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to award Framework Agreements for a period of four (4) years, with the option, exercisable exclusively by NIE Networks, to extend the contract for up to 2 further 24 month periods (8 years in total).

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to award Framework Agreements for a period of four (4) years, with the option, exercisable exclusively by NIE Networks, to extend the contract for up to 2 further 24 month periods (8 years in total).

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2- Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 31311000 - Mains connections
- 45221214 - Covered or partially-covered road excavations
- 45310000 - Electrical installation work
- 45311000 - Electrical wiring and fitting work
- 45311200 - Electrical fitting work
- 45317000 - Other electrical installation work
- 50532000 - Repair and maintenance services of electrical machinery, apparatus and associated equipment
- 51110000 - Installation services of electrical equipment
- 51112100 - Installation services of electricity distribution equipment
- 65300000 - Electricity distribution and related services
- 65320000 - Operation of electrical installations

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Framework Agreement will comprise the following service areas:-

- Turnkey approach to replacement of identified iron-clad and Bakelite compound filled service cut-outs
- Liaise with NIE Networks Contract Manager to ascertain work locations
- Manage all customer information in line with latest Data Protection Legislation

- Customer management including agreeing work programme at each customer property
- Job planning including creating a Field File detailing the agreed works to be carried out at each property for all complex changes
- The materials used for the delivery of this contract shall be via free issue from NIE Networks' local store against allocated Internal Order No. (Only NIE Networks' approved materials can be used, in line with LV Jointing Manual).
- Carry out all required civil work activities (if required) at each customer property
- Refit meter, reterminate tails and if necessary replace meter tails
- Carry out all excavation and reinstatement work activities (if required) at each customer property
- Carry out all excavation and reinstatement in public property in line with relevant Street Works legislation
- Carry out all building work activities (if required) at each customer property
- Carry out all electrical work activities (if required) at each customer property
- Carry out all cable jointing activities on Paper Insulated Lead Covered (PILC) and Plastic design cables as agreed at each customer property. These works must comply with the relevant sections of NIE Networks LV jointing Manual including working 'Live'.
- Have relevant knowledge and experience to report defects on the network and be able to make the correct decisions on how each situation is managed to ensure a safe environment is maintained at all times.
- Develop and update database to provide traceability for all work locations
- Photographic evidence of the asset before, during and after works completed, with a hyperlink to the database
- Report back to NIE Networks Contract Manager on a monthly basis
- Carry out joint inspections of on-going works as requested by the NIE Networks Contract Manager
- Manage and return customer information in line with current Data Protection Legislation as requested by the NIE Networks Contract Manager

- The above list is not exhaustive.

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3- Loop Service Replacement

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

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- 45221214 - Covered or partially-covered road excavations
- 45310000 - Electrical installation work
- 45311000 - Electrical wiring and fitting work
- 45311200 - Electrical fitting work
- 45317000 - Other electrical installation work
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- 51110000 - Installation services of electrical equipment
- 51112100 - Installation services of electricity distribution equipment
- 65320000 - Operation of electrical installations

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Framework Agreement will comprise the following service areas:-

- Turnkey approach to replacement of identified Looped Services
- Liaise with NIE Networks Contracts Manager to ascertain work locations
- Manage all customer information in line with latest Data Protection Legislation
- Customer management including agreeing work programme at each customer property
- Job planning including creating a Field File detailing the agreed works to be carried out at each property
- The materials used for the delivery of this contract shall be via free issue from NIE Networks' local store against allocated Internal Order No. (Only NIE Networks' approved materials can be used, in line with LV Jointing Manual).
- Carry out all required civil work activities (if required) at each customer property
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- Carry out all cable jointing activities on Paper Insulated Lead Covered (PILC) and Plastic design cables as agreed at each customer property. These works must comply with the relevant sections of NIE Networks LV jointing Manual including working 'Live'.
- Have relevant knowledge and experience to report defects on the network and be able to make the correct decisions on how each situation is managed to ensure a safe environment is maintained at all times.
- Complete customer feedback survey as part of the works at all locations
- Develop and update database to provide traceability for all work locations
- Photographic evidence of the asset before and after works, with a hyperlink to the database
- Report back to NIE Networks Contracts Manager on a monthly basis
- Carry out joint inspections of on-going works as requested by the NIE Networks Contract

Manager

- Manage and return customer information in line with current Data Protection Legislation as requested by the NIE Networks Contract Manager

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II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

III.1.6) Deposits and guarantees required

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

III.1.7) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

III.1.8) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As specified within the PQQ and/or tender documents available from the address specified with the reference project S1133 (2024) Cable Jointing Services, Replacement of Compound Filled Service Cut-outs and Loop Service Replacement

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

23 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

22 April 2024

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Ltd

120 Malone Road

Belfast

BT9 5HT

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Ltd

120 Malone Road

Belfast

BT9 5HT

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3 JY

Country

United Kingdom