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# **Eastern Region Control Period 7 (CP7) Portfolio Medium Market Information Gathering**

Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

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# **Section I: Contracting entity**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.networkrail.com

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.6) Main activity

Railway services

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

Eastern Region Control Period 7 (CP7) Portfolio Medium Market Information Gathering

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 45000000 - Construction work

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

#### II.1.4) Short description

This market information gathering exercise and associated questionnaire ('Market Sounding') issued by Network Rail Eastern Region, seeks to obtain views from across a sample of the supply chain to support development of the procurement strategy for the Control Period 7 (CP7). It is currently proposed to be undertaken in two stages, stage 1 informing and consulting, and stage 2 testing.

For the avoidance of doubt, this questionnaire is not a call for competition. Any comments, indications of interest, participation, or non-participation by any organisation at this stage

will not influence the process, selection, or award decision for any future possible procurement, nor will it be taken as a supplier's committed position.

Information within this document remains the property of Network Rail and may be used only for the purpose of informing a response to this market sounding exercise. By agreeing to complete this questionnaire, you and your organisation also agree to:

- •Refer any communications received from third parties regarding the content or participation in this market sounding exercise to ShruthiMariam.George@networkrail.co.uk.
- •Not make any public statement in relation to this market sounding without the prior written approval of Network Rail.

It is anticipated that following responses to this market sounding questionnaire, organisations may be invited to participate in an interactive market sounding workshop (date to be confirmed).

If you would like to complete this questionnaire, please access it through this link: <a href="https://www.surveymonkev.co.uk/r/B8GBT8T">https://www.surveymonkev.co.uk/r/B8GBT8T</a>.

It would be appreciated if you could provide your responses to this questionnaire no later than 12:00, 18th June 2021.

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

- 31213400 Distribution system
- 31320000 Power distribution cables
- 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 42400000 Lifting and handling equipment and parts
- 42600000 Machine tools
- 43310000 Civil engineering machinery
- 45100000 Site preparation work

- 45200000 Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work
- 45300000 Building installation work
- 45400000 Building completion work
- 45500000 Hire of construction and civil engineering machinery and equipment with operator
- 50225000 Railway-track maintenance services
- 50700000 Repair and maintenance services of building installations
- 51100000 Installation services of electrical and mechanical equipment
- 71200000 Architectural and related services
- 71300000 Engineering services
- 71310000 Consultative engineering and construction services
- 71320000 Engineering design services
- 71500000 Construction-related services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

\*\*THE BELOW DESCRIPTION DETAILS THE PREAMBLE FOR THE MARKET SOUNDING QUESTIONNAIRE ONLY\*\*

Network Rail Eastern region:

The Eastern Region is formed of 4 routes, Anglia, East Coast, East Midlands and North & East routes. The 2 Route Asset Management (RAM) teams are based in Stratford and York. The Delivery Unit locations are listed below:

- 1. Anglia (Ipswich, Romford, Tottenham)
- 2. East Coast (Darlington, Doncaster, Kings Cross, Newcastle, Peterborough)
- 3. East Midlands (Bedford, Derby, Lincoln)

4. North & East (Leeds, Middlesborough, Sheffield, York)

Additional information on the region can be found at: <a href="https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-regions/eastern/">https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-regions/eastern/</a>

CP7 Portfolio Medium procurement objectives:

- In order to provide a safe, reliable, efficient, and sustainable railway, Network Rail's ambition is to establish a world class supply chain that builds long-term mutually beneficial

relationships and encourages joint strategic development – in a fair, transparent, and consistent manner.

- Eastern Region is developing the supply chain / procurement strategy to deliver CP7, with ambitions to drive greater efficiency, productivity, net zero carbon emission, value for

passengers and freight users. Network Rail is focused on working with the supply chain to deliver a number of strategic business outcomes in the areas of decarbonisation, weather

resilience, level crossing risk mitigation etc.

- The Portfolio Medium category has traditionally been referred to as Renewals and Minor Enhancements. Examples of the work types within the Network Rail work bank includes structural renewals, earthworks, mid-life refurbishment of overhead lines, minor signalling etc
- A key objective for the CP7 Portfolio Medium category of projects is to approach delivery at a 'rail systems' level. This means working across traditional disciplines and supply chain

organisations in a collaborative way to realise efficiencies in planning the portfolio of work bank, early development, delivery, access, contracting, project management and supply chain resource for the benefit of Network Rail, the supply chain, and most importantly for the passengers and freight users.

The six principles for the CP7 supply chain strategy are:

- 1) Rail system approach: outcome and performance-based, incentivised to outperform, encourage solutions and innovation.`
- 2) Behaviours: aligned objectives, create trust and transparency, early engagement and development, focus on collaboration and performance.

- 3) Capability: enable investment in people, technology, and equipment.
- 4) Productivity: standardise and productionise what we procure (packaged work and reducing variances), drive down cost of indecision and drive out layers of inefficiency.
- 5) Sustainability: implement Network Rail's sustainability strategy, champion social value, working with SMEs and consider the impact on local economy, communities and

#### environment.

6) Focussed client role: re-alignment of our traditional client and supplier relationship approach to better enable Network Rail and its supply chain partners to realise efficiencies and value.

#### The Questionnaire:

The purpose of this questionnaire is to enable Eastern Region to develop a rounded understanding of your organisation and how the differing sectors of the market might approach delivery of the Portfolio Medium. It is the first stage of the proposed market sounding, and comprises six areas:

- 1) General Information
- 2) Capability and Capacity
- 3) Contracting Approach
- 4) Experience
- 5) Continuous Improvement
- 6) Service and Packaging Options

Please note: The date in section II.3 is an indicative date at this stage and is for the purpose of this market sounding questionnaire only.

# II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 March 2022

# 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: Yes

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

The questionnaire can be accessed via the following web link:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/B8GBT8T