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Contract

## **Project for the Design, Development, Build, Supply & Maintenance of an End-to-End Solution consisting of Pre-payment Gas Metering Equipment and associated Meter Management System '23**

Phoenix Natural Gas (trading as Phoenix Energy)

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

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Buyer's address

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

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.6) Main activity**

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Project for the Design, Development, Build, Supply & Maintenance of an End-to-End Solution consisting of Pre-payment Gas Metering Equipment and associated Meter Management System '23

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

- 38552000 - Electronic meters

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

Supplies

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

This tender process is being led by Phoenix Natural Gas Limited in conjunction with, and for the benefit of, all of the clients specified in Section VI.3 below.

Phoenix Natural Gas Ltd, acting as a Central Purchasing Body, seeks to appoint a suitably experienced Service Provider to design, develop, build, supply & maintain an end-to-end solution that delivers a robust network consisting of a Pre-payment Gas Metering Solution and associated Meter Management System.

Further details of the supplies and services required are set out in the draft Invitation to Tender documentation, made available with the associated Pre Qualification Ref: pqq\_4442.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 48612000 - Database-management system
- 72314000 - Data collection and collation services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The supplies/ services required through this procurement exercise entail the design, development, build and provision of an end to end pre-payment gas metering solution which includes an associated meter management system.

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The estimated value of this project could be between £40M and £65M. The maximum value range represents the estimated maximum potential value of work that could be awarded in the event that the Utility Regulator approves an accelerated roll out of meter replacement. Please note that, in the absence of such approval, the lower value represents the clients' current expectations of the estimated maximum potential value of work that could be awarded.

#### **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.2.14) Additional information**

Phoenix Natural Gas Ltd reserve the right at any time to: reject any, or all, responses and to cancel or withdraw from this procurement process at any stage; award a Contract without prior notice; change the basis, the procedures and timescales set out - or referred to - within the tender documentation; require any Applicant or subsequent Tenderer, to clarify any submissions.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-018696](#)

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

### **Title**

Provision of a Pre-payment Meter & Meter Management System Design & Build/ End to End Solution

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

7 February 2025

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JF

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

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BT1 3JF

Email

[office@courtsni.gov.uk](mailto:office@courtsni.gov.uk)

Country

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#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Phoenix will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to all participating entities. The standstill period provides time for unsuccessful participating entities to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (Northern Ireland).