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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)

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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

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.

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

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

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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United Kingdom

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).