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Contract

## **FW097 Permanent Way Contractor Framework**

Translink

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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

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

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Procurement Department

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.6) Main activity**

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

FW097 Permanent Way Contractor Framework

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 45234129 - Urban railway track construction works

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

**II.1.4) Short description**

Translink is establishing a Framework for the provision of Permanent Way Contractor works to support the delivery of Translink's programme of capital and maintenance works. This Framework will entail the delivery of Work Packages in relation to Permanent Way across a wide spectrum of work types and scopes. These are expected to range from standalone single-site renewals and refurbishments to large (£20m+) Permanent Way-led projects that entail multi-disciplinary design and construction and the use of disruptive blockades / possessions. The type of Work Packages that may be commissioned under the Framework will typically comprise the following: Plain line renewal and refurbishment, Switch and crossing (S+C) renewal and refurbishment, Level crossing renewal and refurbishment, User-worked crossing (UWC) renewal and

refurbishment, Re-railing, Rail milling, Ballast, Drainage, Work to sidings and depots, Rail systems enhancements (e.g., construction of new permanent way assets, track dualling, passing loops, sidings extensions, line speed improvements, realignment). To support the delivery of such Work Packages, the Supplier will be required to also have the capability to undertake work to interfacing railway assets including the following: Signalling and Telecoms, Electrification and Plant (E+P), Civils and Structures. Your response must be submitted via the relevant Call for Tender (CfT) on the eTendersNI portal. Instructions on how to submit your response can be found within the Interactive Walkthrough on the eTendersNI Homepage. No other method of submission will be accepted.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 45234100 - Railway construction works

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 40

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

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Notice number: [2022/S 000-035543](#)

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

### **Contract No**

1

A contract/lot is awarded: No

### **V.1) Information on non-award**

The contract/lot is not awarded

Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Translink has identified some issues with the tender/contract documents that were provided to all economic . operators. These issues include misalignment between Translink's requirements/objectives . and some of the information that was contained within the tender/contract documents and . some areas where Translink's requirements may potentially have been open to different . interpretations by bidders. As a result, and bearing in mind its obligations to ensure a fair and . transparent process in line with the requirements of the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016, . Translink has no option but to terminate the procurement process. Therefore, this competition . will not result in the award of a framework.

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

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

Ulsterbus Limited

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom