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#35080 - Provision of Tamper and Regulator Services

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

#35080 - Provision of Tamper and Regulator Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50225000 - Railway-track maintenance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This Procurement Event covers the provision of a national framework agreement to deliver Tamper and Regulator services to support track renewal and maintenance projects

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71311230 - Railway engineering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this Procurement Event is to award a framework agreement to provide Tamper and Regulator services over a eight-year term from 01 Apr 2025.

The proposed service enables Network Rail Regions and the Routes to support track renewal and track maintenance projects (thereby supporting freight-users and passengers) via a central framework agreement, managed by Supply Chain Services (SCS).

Under the current arrangements, approximately 15,000 operational shifts are delivered per year, and it is anticipated that demand will remain at a similar level under the proposed framework agreement.

The fleet of machines operated under the current framework agreement has an ageing profile, with machines typically twenty or more years old. Against this background, Network Rail is keen to understand the strategies that Participants have in place to ensure that their fleets remain up to date and reliable.

Under the proposed service model, SCS receives an annual maintenance and renewals plan from its regional customers. The on-track-machines (OTMs) offered under the framework agreement are then allocated to support those annual renewals and maintenance plans, having due regard to the capability of the OTMs, and the competitiveness of the shift-rates offered.

The following variations during the term of the framework agreement shall be permissible

(but with no commitment at the time of framework award):

- The ability to extend the term of the agreement by a maximum of two one-year extensions (subject to the granting of prior approval by Network Rail's governance panel);
- The ability to adjust shift rates to cater for the introduction of replacement OTMs - i.e. those destined to replace OTMs decommissioned for reasons of age and/ or poor reliability during the term of the framework agreement. For avoidance of doubt, this permitted variation does not cover the purchase of the OTMs themselves.
- The ability to adjust shift rates to support the roll-out of European Train Control System (ETCS) functionality to OTMs - i.e. to reflect changes to the operational/ maintenance regimes. For avoidance of doubt, this permitted variation does not cover the fit-out of supplier-owned OTMs with ETCS equipment.

The Procurement Documents can be downloaded from Network Rail's BravoNR sourcing platform via this link:

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

From the welcome screen, access the 'View Current Opportunities' link and select

'#35080 - Provision of Tamper and Regulator Services'

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £870,033,408

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

Start date

1 April 2025

End date

31 March 2033

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Around two years prior to the planned expiry of the framework agreements (paying due regard to the take-up of any option to extend), a new Procurement Event will be mobilised to renew the framework agreements

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 4

Maximum number: 6

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

Capability assessment to be carried out using a prequalification questionnaire issued via the BravoNR procurement platform

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

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

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 5

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

Date

7 June 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

17 June 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

Tender must be valid until: 31 December 2024

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 01/04/2032

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom