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## **Westleigh Mine Water Pumping Borehole**

The Coal Authority

F01: Prior information notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Region code**

UKF15 - North Nottinghamshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Westleigh Mine Water Pumping Borehole

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 76530000 - Downhole services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

### **1. Background**

The Coal Authority (CA) requires a mine water pumping borehole to assess rising mine water on the surrounding environment at Westleigh, Wigan. A review of the mine water block has highlighted that mine water levels in the area could be elevated in respect to the rest of the block. There is potential for elevated mine water levels which could pose a risk to the overlying drinking water aquifers and the surface water environment.

Therefore, the CA requires construction of a borehole to intersect flooded underground workings and will be used to improve understanding of mine water in the Golborne-Bickershaw-Parsonage mine water sub-block of the Lancashire Coalfield, through water level monitoring, quality sampling and long-term abstraction.

### **2. Key Requirements**

The Contractor will be responsible for specific construction details to achieve the borehole requirements, as specified below.

Summary of key requirements

Operational time: By March 2025.

\* Methodology: Anticipated to require a pilot hole to be drilled by wireline coring methods to assist in maintaining verticality.

\* Borehole depth: Estimated 200 - 250 metres below ground level (m bgl).

\* Final internal diameter: Minimum of 400mm.

\* Borehole deviation: 2m from surface location of borehole (0.6° from vertical).

\* Design life: Minimum of 20 years.

\* Headworks: To be completed under a square split lockable manhole cover at surface, minimum of 600mm x 600mm with D400 rating.

## **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 76532000 - Downhole pumping services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

Main site or place of performance

Westleigh - Wigan - North West - UK

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

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

The Coal Authority (Client) was established by Parliament to undertake specific statutory duties, set out in the Coal Industry Act 1994, associated with licensing coal mining operations; managing property and the historic legacy arising from the ownership of the coal reserves and underground workings; settling subsidence damage claims not falling on coal mine operators and providing access to coal mining information.

Coal Authority tenders are now being undertaken by the Authority's eTender portal InBye, details of how to register are attached to this notice.

Should you wish to participate in any electronic tender exercise you will need to register your company details, which will require the provision of some company information and agreement to terms and conditions to access the system.

Use of the system is free of charge.

In order to register please log on to <https://inbye.coal.gov.uk/s2c/>

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

1 July 2024

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## **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