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Tender

Conveyancing Services

UK POWER NETWORKS (OPERATIONS) LIMITED

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Call for competition

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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://ukpowernetworks.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/ProcurementDocumentManagement/EVA4eBFILPtApkz_KPMU2CYByuxE7cPpMUrikALQyq0yGQ?e=3216TJ

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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I.6) Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Conveyancing Services

Reference number

PE1-0044-2023

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

UK Power Networks intends to conduct a procurement event for the provision of Conveyancing Services.

The work will be focused on the operational property requirements of the Distribution Network Operators ("DNOs") which are licensed under the Electricity Act 1989 to run the electricity distribution networks in London, South East and Eastern England. The relevant DNOs are known as London Power Networks plc, South Eastern Power Networks plc and Eastern Power Networks plc, all being subsidiaries of UK Power Networks Holdings Limited.

The main types of matters upon which instructions will be issued are:

- a) the transfer of freehold sites for use as electricity substations;
- b) the taking of leases of electricity substations;
- c) the taking of deeds of grant of easements in relation to electric lines and other plant;
- d) surrenders and variations of leases
- e) dealing with opposed S25 Notices; and
- f) ancillary agreements, for example agreements for lease, relocation agreements etc.

Instructions will be issued by surveyors within the UK Power Networks Operational Property and Consents team who are based in the different regions where the DNOs operate. Instructions will be issued in a standard format using an Acquisition of Property ("AOP") form.

It is expected that the firms will have a portal set up on their websites to which instructions can be sent and regular updates of progress will be posted. Instructions should be acknowledged, and confirmation of the relevant fee earner notified within 24 hours of receipt of the instructions.

Firms will be required to use the standard draft documents which have been devised by the DNOs for use in the relevant areas. The standard documents will be available via a website set up by UKPN and firms will be required to download the relevant document and follow the guidelines issued from time to time by UKPN in relation to the use of the website.

Attendance at regular meetings with the in-house legal team at UKPN with other panel firms will be required in order to discuss processes and any changes to standard documents and legal developments which are of mutual interest.

Firms will be expected to provide a lead partner and fee earners with different ranges of experience for the work and to maintain the teams dealing with matters so far as possible and only to make changes to the team members with the approval of the DNOs.

The number of new matters within this area is approximately 50 per month split across the three UK Power Networks DNOs by

EPN - 24

LPN - 14

SPN - 12

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Please see full description of the requirement at:

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial term of 4 years and option to extend up to 2 further years

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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 the receipt of applications for an invitation to tender or to negotiate

Date

5 July 2023

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NA

NA

Country

United Kingdom