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Award

Aircom LoRaWAN Project - Leeds & Middlesbrough deployment

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0347c0

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Aircom LoRaWAN Project - Leeds & Middlesbrough deployment

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32430000 - Wide area network

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

In September 2021 NGN started work with Westwood Technical to utilise their proprietary LoRaWAN based pressure management solution for use on its Gas Network. The work and subsequent trials have come to fruition and NGN will now be procuring the equipment required to commence the wider implementation of the technology. It is NGN's understanding that there are no alternative LoRaWAN based pressure management solutions available for use on the gas network. This work is a direct follow on from a previous contract awarded to Westwood Technical as a result of a below threshold procurement. The value stated in this VEAT notice incorporates this new contract and the original below threshold contract awarded in September 2021.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £787,809

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This work is a continuation of work already undertaken which was originally below threshold and commenced in 2021. This is furthermore supported by Reg 50 of the UCR (c) where the works, supplies or services can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for any of the following reasons- (ii) competition is absent for technical reasons; (iii), where no reasonable alternative or substitute exists and the absence of competition is not the result of an artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement and (f) for new works or services consisting in the repetition of similar works or services assigned to the contractor to which the same utility awarded an earlier contract, provided that such works or services conform to a basic project for which a first contract was awarded following a procedure in accordance with regulation 44(1) and (2)

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 June 2022

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Norther Gas Networks

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom