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Award

Development project for the provision of Cryogenic Railhead Cleaning

Northern Trains Limited

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Development project for the provision of Cryogenic Railhead Cleaning

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 34940000 - Railway equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Development project for the provision of a cryogenic railhead adhesion system to be fitted to Northern Trains Limited's trains intended to provide more reliable and consistent braking in low adhesion conditions.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Development project for the provision of a cryogenic railhead adhesion system to be fitted to Northern Trains Limited's trains intended to provide more reliable and consistent braking in low adhesion conditions. The purpose of this fleet fitment is to provide the rail industry with operational evidence of the effectiveness of cryogenics in mitigating low adhesion of rail vehicles in adverse conditions.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

Award a contract directly as this approach is allowed under the UCR's where restrictions on the use of IPR do not trigger a requirement to conduct a new OJEU-compliant tender process.

We believe in this circumstance the following is applicable:

Regulation 50.(1) Utilities may use the negotiated procedure without prior call for competition in the following cases-

(c) where the works, supplies or services can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for any of the following reasons -

(iii) the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights*

*noting that this applies where no reasonable alternative or substitute exist.

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

18 May 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

University of Sheffield

Sheffield

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number)

10007157

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Trains Limited

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