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Planning

Haulage Locomotives

NETWORK RAIL (HIGH SPEED) LIMITED

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Scope

Reference

187778

Description

NRHS requires the supply of two locomotives for haulage, pilot and rescue operations across its network. The vehicles must be capable of: hauling/rescuing/piloting all passenger and engineering vehicles, operating reliably between passenger services at speeds up to 120 km/h, interfacing fully with TVM 430, KVB and GSM-R signalling/telecoms systems. They must be able to provide their own power for propulsion (hybrid-options permissible) and should be demonstrated as compatible with all characteristics/limitations of NRHS-managed infrastructure (e.g max 22.5 tonnes/axle, GC gauge). The appropriate recognised bodies shall have demonstrated them as compliant with all relevant TSIs/NTSs/NTRs and CSM REA requirements.

Total value (estimated)

- £5,796,000 excluding VAT
- £6,955,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 November 2026 to 2 November 2027
- 1 year, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34611000 - Locomotives

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

17 March 2026

Engagement process description

Network Rail will be holding a Market Engagement Meeting with potential suppliers in advance of this procurement activity. We will be holding this as an online event on the 11th March at 15:00 GMT. We will provide suppliers with an overview of the procurement activity and our key requirements, challenges, and priorities, followed by a Q&A session. At this stage our strategy and the precise scope is yet to be determined, however we would welcome any views or insights that you may have as well as to gauge whether lease or buying outright is the best option. If you would like to attend this session please can you email George.Fenning@networkrail.co.uk to express your interest. Following expression of interest, a teams link invite will be issued out for this event. We look forward to meeting you soon to discuss this procurement activity further.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

18 May 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Contracting authority

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