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## **Supply and Distribution of Hydrogen Fuel for Buses**

Translink

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02d1e6

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

Translink

Procurement Department

Belfast

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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**I.6) Main activity**

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Supply and Distribution of Hydrogen Fuel for Buses

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 09120000 - Gaseous fuels

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

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

Translink is the name for the integrated operations of the three companies, Citybus Limited (operating as Metro and including Glider), NI Railways and Ulsterbus operating scheduled bus and rail services in Northern Ireland, including cross-border and cross-channel links. Translink is responsible for over 84 million bus and rail passenger journeys each year. It operates a fleet of over 1,400 buses, coaches and trains, runs 12,500 services every day and employs over 4,200 people in jobs across all parts of Northern Ireland. Translink has a detailed and progressive Zero Emission fleet strategy. It is proposed that by 2040, both Bus and Rail fleets will be zero emission fleets. As part of the programme, the Metro services operating in Belfast and Londonderry will be zero emission by 2030. The initial roll out of this programme has commenced with the procurement of 100 zero emission vehicles. Included in this number are 20 Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles (FCEV). In order to operate these vehicles Translink will require a reliable supply of Hydrogen fuel. Translink therefore invites tender proposals, from suitably qualified and experienced providers, for the supply of a Hydrogen to fuel up to 25 vehicles daily, at its Newtownabbey site. The fuel will be delivered in a Multi Element Gas Container (MEGC) trailer, owned or leased by the hydrogen gas supplier. It will be connected to Translink's Hydrogen Refuelling Station (HRS) from which the buses will be fuelled. Your response must be submitted via the relevant Call for Tender (CfT) on the eTendersNI portal. Instructions on how to submit your response can be found within the Interactive Walkthrough on the eTendersNI Homepage. No other method of submission will be accepted.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 09120000 - Gaseous fuels

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

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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.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

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

Start date

1 November 2021

End date

31 October 2023

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Review after 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Extension options up to a maximum of 6 years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Detailed within the Tender Documents

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

14 September 2021

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 13 March 2022

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

14 September 2021

Local time

3:30pm

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 6 years

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Ulsterbus Limited

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom