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Tender

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

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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>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.6) Main activity

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

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

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