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Contract

Vehicular Impact Protection - Design

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting 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

Vehicular Impact Protection - Design

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71322000 - Engineering design services for the construction of civil engineering works

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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infrastructure. They vary in size, complexity, criticality; some are built predominantly below ground, although parts of the installation would remain above ground. Regardless of the type of governor, it remains important to ensure that the risk of damage is mitigated as much as reasonably possible.

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The standards applied to road restraint systems can be challenging to meet, specifically when applied to relatively small assets with limited amount of free space surrounding them. Therefore, an experienced designer is required who understands these complexities and is able to explore the various measures that could be used in mitigating the risk of impact. In addition to that, the designer must consider the asset and its location, understand the policies and procedures associated with maintaining it and combine the findings into a constructable proposal. Furthermore, the designer must also have the experience of stakeholder liaison to ensure that the proposals submitted are accepted by the relevant stakeholders, which includes the local authority and their highways division.

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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

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The likely contracting methodology being the establishment of Framework Agreements with suitable suppliers to enable NGN to contract with its "Framework Partners" for the production these designs.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Gas Networks

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