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Planning

Brodsworth Mine Water Monitoring Borehole

The Coal Authority

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Brodsworth Mine Water Monitoring Borehole

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 76530000 - Downhole services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Coal Authority (Client) was established by Parliament to undertake specific statutory duties, set out in the Coal Industry Act 1994, associated with licensing coal mining operations; managing property and the historic legacy arising from the ownership of the coal reserves and underground workings; settling subsidence damage claims not falling on coal mine operators and providing access to coal mining information.

1. Background

The mine water in the Barnsley-Manvers-Grimethorpe mine water block is thought to be rising.

Recovered mine water in this area represents a potential risk to the overlying Permian aquifer, as well as surface water in the area. To assess the mine water regime, and inform future mine water management strategies, a borehole is required that would target the Brodsworth or Bullcroft colliery mine workings.

Therefore, the Coal Authority (CA) requires a mine water monitoring borehole to increase the monitoring infrastructure in the area. The data from this borehole will be used to improve understanding of mine water in the Barnsley-Manvers-Grimethorpe mine water block, through water level monitoring and quality sampling.

2. Delivery

The CA look to collaboratively engage with landowners to obtain access and a licence to carry out the drilling works. It should be noted that this engagement may take up to a maximum of 15 months, from initial point of contact however, in some cases this is

significantly less.

With this in mind, the Invitation to Tender is sent out part-way through this timeframe. Nevertheless, and to avoid any delays, the Contract will be awarded with a Contract Award Date and Start Date as two different dates.

3. Engagement Opportunities

The CA are always looking for ways to improve and streamline projects.

Due to the defined verticality requirements, it is envisaged that the most robust and reliable method of completing the mine water monitoring boreholes is by drilling a pilot hole using a wireline coring system, followed by reaming to the required diameter(s).

However, the CA would welcome your feedback on this including any other methods that may be deemed more suitable to guaranteeing verticality such as directional drilling.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £800,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 76530000 - Downhole services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Open tender

II.2.14) Additional information

Key Requirements

Operational time: By summer 2025

Methodology: Anticipated to require a pilot hole to be drilled by wireline coring methods to assist in maintaining verticality

Borehole depth: Estimated 515 metres below ground level (m bgl)

Final internal diameter Minimum of 150mm

Borehole deviation: 2m from surface location of borehole (0.2 from vertical)

Design life: Minimum of 20 years

Headworks: To be completed under a square split lockable manhole cover at surface, minimum of 600mm x 600mm with D400 rating

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 November 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Should you wish to participate in any electronic tender exercise you will need to register your company details, which will require the provision of some company information and agreement to terms and conditions to access the system.

Use of the system is free of charge.

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