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Contract

Appointment of External Auditors

Translink

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a40a

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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

etni@translink.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.6) Main activity

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Appointment of External Auditors

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Translink are seeking to appoint a Contractor to provide External audit Services. This will include the following: Provision of External Audit Services to the Holding company and all subsidiaries, provision of assistance and advice (as required) in relation to corporate governance issues, and

assistance (as required) with the preparation of Statutory accounts for all group companies, including consolidated statutory accounts.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £834,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services
- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Initial term of 3 years plus up to 3 x optional extensions of 12 months each (to be used individually or in combination).

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2.14) Additional information

N.B The "Total Contract Value" relates to the initial contract term only and is inclusive of VAT..

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Title

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 July 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Belfast

BT16JH

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Telephone

+44 2896871050

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £834,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £834,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom