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## **Planning and Major Permissions, Environmental and Public Law Services**

Nuclear Waste Services Limited  
Nuclear Restoration Services Limited  
Nuclear Decommissioning Authority  
Sellafield Ltd  
International Nuclear Services Limited  
Direct Rail Services Limited

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Nuclear Waste Services Limited

Pelham House, Pelham Drive,

Calderbridge, Seascale

CA20 1DB

#### **Email**

[james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk](mailto:james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**National registration number**

05608448

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-waste-services/about>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-waste-services/about>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Nuclear Restoration Services Limited

Hinton House Birchwood Park Avenue, Risley

Warrington

WA3 6GR

**Email**

[james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk](mailto:james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk)

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United Kingdom

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UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

Herdus House Westlakes Science & Technology Park Moor Row

Cumbria

CA24 3HU

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#### **Region code**

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-decommissioning-authority/about>

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

Sellafield Ltd

Sellafield

Cumbria

CA20 1PG

**Email**

[james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk](mailto:james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd/about>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/sellafield-ltd/about>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

International Nuclear Services Limited

Hinton House Birchwood Park Avenue, Risley,

Warrington

WA3 6GR

**Email**

[james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk](mailto:james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk)

**Country**

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-decommissioning-authority>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-decommissioning-authority>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Direct Rail Services Limited

Kingmoor Depot. Etterby Road.

Carlisle.

CA3 9NZ

**Email**

[james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk](mailto:james.hicks@nuclearwasteservices.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.directrailservices.com/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.directrailservices.com/>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 39.

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://atamis-2464.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

### **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Part of NDA

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Planning and Major Permissions, Environmental and Public Law Services

Reference number

C13904

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

- 79100000 - Legal services

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

Services

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

The Activities are predominantly the delivery of key development activity for the Client programmes and operations including:

- Geological Disposal Facility Programme (GDF Programme): Site characterisation activities to enable the Geological Disposal Facility (GDF), including the drilling of deep boreholes to characterise potential geology to host a GDF, which falls within the definition of a “nationally significant infrastructure project”.
- Near Surface Disposal Programme (NSD Programme): Near Surface Disposal activities.
- Ongoing operation and development of the licenced Low Level Waste Repository at Drigg, including capping of vaults.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £44,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Pelham House Pelham Drive, Calderbridge, Seascale, England, CA20 1DB

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

The Framework Agreements will support legal activities associated with the Geological Disposal Facility (GDF) programme (primarily deep geological boreholes), delivery of a Near Surface Disposal (NSD) facility, and development and operations at the Low Level Waste Repository (LLWR) site. In addition, Framework Suppliers may also be asked to deliver or support legal work for Other Contracting Authorities where they have capability in the Competencies and those Competencies are required to deliver the Other Contracting Authorities requirements.

#### **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: £44,000,000

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

Start date

1 May 2025

End date

30 April 2035

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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



Options: Yes

Description of options

3 x 12 months

### **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**

The NDA and the Other Contracting Authorities

- The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA)
- Sellafield Limited (Company No. 01002607)
- Nuclear Restoration Services Limited (Company No. 02264251)
- Nuclear Transport Solutions (which comprises International Nuclear Services Limited (company number 01144352), Pacific Nuclear Transport Limited (Company No. 01228109) and Direct Rail Services Limited (Company No. 03020822))
- NDA Properties Limited (Company No. 02970356)
- Rutherford Indemnity Limited (GSFC reference 49568)
- NDA Archives Limited (Company No. 09109416)

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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**

As per ITT documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 3

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The infrastructure programmes, and the GDF programme in particular, will have a number of time critical, long duration activities that exceed four years. Changing Suppliers mid-way through any of these activities as a consequence of a re-procurement exercise is highly undesirable as it is likely to result in: Inconsistent, and possibly conflicting, legal advice with insufficient time to resolve.

#### **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**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-025326](#)

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

Date

12 September 2024

Local time

12:00pm

**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**

Duration in months: 18 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

31 March 2026

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Nuclear Waste Services Limited

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Calderbridge, Seascale

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-waste-services/about>

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Nuclear Waste Services Limited

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CA20 1DB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-waste-services/about>

