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Tender

SUPPLY OF NEW ROLLING STOCK AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT SERVICES

NORTHERN TRAINS LIMITED

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<http://www.delta-esourcing.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<http://www.delta-esourcing.com>

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

I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SUPPLY OF NEW ROLLING STOCK AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT SERVICES

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 34600000 - Railway and tramway locomotives and rolling stock and associated parts

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The objective of this procurement is to enter into a framework agreement with a single supplier for the manufacture and supply of new rolling stock (with associated equipment) and associated technical support and spares supply services. This will enable NTL to replace significant quantities of its ageing fleet, enabling the avoidance of escalating costs associated with the operation, maintenance, repair, and leasing of an ageing fleet and delivering medium- and long-term value for the benefit of NTL, DfT, taxpayers and its customers. NTL will order rolling stock (and associated equipment) with accompanying technical support and spares supply services across multiple phases. The contracts for the first phase will be entered into simultaneously with entering into the framework agreement. NTL will separately procure an owning party to purchase each fleet of rolling stock and then lease the same to NTL. The owning party will also be party to each manufacture and supply agreement with the supplier. There may be different owning parties for each phase.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34620000 - Rolling stock
- 50220000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to railways and other equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NTL, a Train Operating Company (TOC) that operates passenger rail services across the North of England, is undertaking this procurement process to appoint a single supplier to manufacture and supply rolling stock (and associated equipment) and to provide technical support and spares supply services across multiple phases within budget and to meet the overall objectives and priorities of NTL pursuant to a framework agreement.

It is anticipated throughout the life of the framework agreement that NTL may procure, across multiple call-offs, up to 450 units comprising of multiple vehicles.

The call-off contracts will be entered into in respect of 'phases' of rolling stock orders,

comprising of (i) a manufacture and supply agreement and (ii) a technical support and spares supply agreement)). The first call-off contracts will be entered into simultaneously with the framework agreement. The manufacturing requirements are for multi-mode multiple units, including options to order further units and/or additional centre-vehicles and/or a mix of multi-mode and electric multiple units.

In addition, the supplier will supply spares and special tools to accompany the fleet, and (subject to the exercise of options) the supply of mock-ups and a cab simulator.

Subsequent phases will be required to replace further trains in NTL's existing fleet over a period of time.

For each phase, NTL will also separately procure an owning party to purchase each fleet of rolling stock and then lease the same to NTL. The owning party will also be party to each manufacture and supply agreement with the supplier. There may be different owning parties for each phase.

It is anticipated the successful Tenderer will offer:

- a. the manufacture and supply of new rolling stock (being multi-mode multiple units) with a minimum design life of 35-year (from acceptance of the units) that meets NTL's train technical specification (inclusive of design, testing, obtaining relevant approvals, training, delivery and acceptance of the equipment and provision of warranties).
- b. multi-mode multiple units that may be subject to in-life decarbonisation by the supplier being required to convert the units to become either (i) electric multiple units, or (ii) (following the installation of additional on-board battery capacity and associated infrastructure by the supplier) battery-electric multiple units. Such conversion will be triggered by NTL or the owner. Future phases (other than the initial order under phase 1) may be built directly as electric multiple units or battery-electric multiple units.
- c. technical support and spares supply services, including: technical support services (general technical advice; technical investigations; train failure investigation; maintaining an adequate supply of spares, special tools and parts at designated depots; maintenance, overhaul and repair of spares); supply of additional spares, special tools and parts; and additional services.
- d. demonstrable delivery of social value.

NTL has chosen to run the procurement under competitive dialogue under Regulation 48 of the Utilities Contract Regulations 2016.

The term of the framework agreement will be 8 years. Call-off contracts for manufacture and supply agreement and technical support and spares supply agreement entered into

pursuant to the framework agreement will exceed the duration of the framework agreement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

96

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

Options will be detailed in the Tender documents.

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive dialogue

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 a single operator

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

25 September 2023

Local time

10:00am

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

26 October 2023

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

This procurement is being conducted under regulation 48 of the UCR2016, utilising the Competitive Dialogue procedure and will only be available through NTL's e-Tendering platform, DELTA.

If not already registered on DELTA, interested parties are encouraged to do register at <http://www.delta-esourcing.com> in order to participate in this opportunity. Any submissions that are not submitted by the Delta eTendering tool will be disqualified.

Interested parties should note that this procurement may not result in the award of any contract, and issue of this Contract Notice does not create any form of contract, implied or otherwise, between NTL and any other party, and that participation in procurement process is entirely at potential suppliers' own risk.

NTL will continue to develop and refine the specification and award criteria throughout the tender process and it expressly reserves the right:

- 1) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by the publication of this notice;
- 2) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition;
- 3) to amend (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the services covered by this notice; and
- 4) to award contract(s) in stages and in no circumstances will NTL be liable for any costs incurred by candidates.

Variant bids may be permissible within the parameters to be set out in the tender documentation.

NTL intends to hold a Supplier/Candidate Briefing Session (limited to 4 delegates per supplier) on 24th August 2023 which will include a short presentation on the scope, and timeframe of the procurement process. Interested parties must register their interest via the Delta e-tendering messaging system with attendee detail of name, email address and

position, no later than 10:00 23rd August 2023.

Contracts to be governed by English Law.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

London

EC4A 1NL

Country

United Kingdom