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Contract

Lower Thames Crossing - Detailed Design Services for Contestable Gas Assets

National Highways

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029be7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

National Highways

Woodlands, Manton Lane

Bedford

MK41 7LW

Email

LTCProcurement@highwaysengland.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

National registration number

09346363

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Lower Thames Crossing - Detailed Design Services for Contestable Gas Assets

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71322200 - Pipeline-design services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

National Highways is the government company charged with operating, maintaining and improving England's motorways and major A roads. We are delivering the Lower Thames Crossing (LTC), a new high-quality dual carriageway connecting Kent, Thurrock and Essex through a tunnel beneath the River Thames. This is the most ambitious roads project in the UK for more than a generation. The project will be transformational for the UK economy, while offering new connections, better journeys and fewer delays.

This Contract Award Notice is being issued notify the market of the appointment of a designer to support design services for contestable gas assets on the LTC project.

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: £673,980

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 44161100 - Gas pipelines
- 45230000 - Construction work for pipelines, communication and power lines, for highways, roads, airfields and railways; flatwork
- 65000000 - Public utilities
- 71322200 - Pipeline-design services
- 79415200 - Design consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKH3 - Essex
- UKH32 - Thurrock
- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The LTC project affects a number of statutory undertakers' assets. This contract is to undertake the detailed design for the diversion of approximately 17 affected low, intermediate and medium pressure gas pipelines, which are owned by Cadent Gas Ltd (Cadent) and have been deemed to be contestable by Cadent. These assets are located along the LTC route between the proposed north tunnel portal and the proposed junction with the M25. The length of each individual diversion ranges from 300m to several kilometres, with a total length of pipelines to be diverted of approximately 13km. The detailed design study will conclude by obtaining a letter of acceptance from Cadent.

The majority of contestable assets within scope have been agreed with Cadent during the initial LTC NRSWA/C2 enquiry and have been accepted by Cadent via submission of a

Feasibility Study Report. However, a small number of those assets are known to be within the LTC works area but have not been assured to date via site investigations, so the location, characteristics and extent of the works is assumed. This will be required to be investigated to highlight any discrepancies and refine the extent of the scope for detailed design. The designer will undertake a gap analysis on the information provided and agree any further site investigations with National Highways, which will be delivered via LTC's existing contracts. These assets do not have an accepted Feasibility Study Report and as such may require an additional submission to Cadent to obtain acceptance at Cadent Stage Gate "Final Design Review - Refresh (FDR-R)".

The designer will work with LTC throughout the detailed design to coordinate their design with LTC's and third parties' (in particular, other statutory undertakers) designs. The designer will also engage with Cadent via LTC to meet the requirements of the Cadent Stage Gate Definition.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Title

Lower Thames Crossing - Detailed Design Services for Contestable Gas Assets

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 September 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Capita Property and Infrastructure Ltd

65 Gresham Street

London

EC2V 7NQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

02018542

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £673,980

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice - England

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Information on the award of the contract was communicated to tenderers.