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Contract

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited, Phase Two - Framework Agreement for Phase Two Route Wide Ground Investigation

HS2

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02c5e4

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

HS2

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited, Two Snowhill, Snow Hill Queensway

Birmingham

B4 6GA

Email

scc@hs2.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.hs2.org.uk/>

I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited, Phase Two - Framework Agreement for Phase Two Route Wide Ground Investigation

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45111250 - Ground investigation work

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited has awarded a Framework Agreement for the Phase Two Route Wide Ground Investigation (separated into 2 Lots). Lot 1 for the management and co-ordination of the packaging of GI works as well as the planning and implementation of GI site enabling works (Ground Investigation Partner (GIP)). Lot 2 for the acquisition of geotechnical, hydrogeological and geo-environmental data through surveys, the excavation and detailed logging of exploratory holes, and in-situ and laboratory testing, culminating in the production of factual reports (Ground Investigation Contractor (GIC)), some land of which will be in areas of historic mining. Ground Investigations may also be required and called off under the Framework Agreement as optional scope at other HS2 sites or by Contracting Bodies other than HS2 Ltd (see VI.3 below).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £300,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1- Ground Investigation Partner (GIP)

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71332000 - Geotechnical engineering services
- 71351500 - Ground investigation services
- 71355000 - Surveying services
- 71510000 - Site-investigation services
- 71541000 - Construction project management services
- 71900000 - Laboratory services
- 73111000 - Research laboratory services
- 79311200 - Survey conduction services
- 79311300 - Survey analysis services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 is for the appointment of a single Ground Investigation Partner (GIP) to undertake the management and co-ordination of the packaging of GI works as well as the planning and implementation of GI site enabling works across the Phase Two route. The Framework Agreement has a duration of 8 years with works/services anticipated to be undertaken over a four-year period during that term although works/services may extend over a longer period and further HS2 Ltd retains the option to extend the Framework

Agreement for a further two years in the event of delays to the GI programme (see II.2.11) (Information about options) for further information)). Further works may also be required and called off under the Framework Agreement as optional scope at other HS2 sites or by Contracting Bodies other than HS2 Ltd (see VI.3 below).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Qualification Requirements / Weighting: pass/fail

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Requirements / Weighting: pass/fail

Cost criterion - Name: Value for money requirements / Weighting: pass/fail

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

1) Option to extend the term of Framework Agreement

The term of the Framework Agreement is for an initial term of eight years with the right to extend the term of the Framework Agreement for up to a further two years to make a maximum possible term of ten years. HS2 Ltd has the right to extend the term of the Framework Agreement from eight to ten years in the event that the advertised Scope cannot be completed during the initial eight year term due to changes to the programme, including but not limited to land access delays or prolongation of the programme due to consenting issues.

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

Refer to VI.3) Additional information in this Contract Notice below.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Ground Investigation Contractor (GIC)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 45111200 - Site preparation and clearance work
- 45111230 - Ground-stabilisation work
- 45120000 - Test drilling and boring work

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

HS2 Ltd has appointed 8 Contractors to Lot 2 which is for the acquisition of geotechnical, hydrogeological and geo-environmental data through surveys, the excavation and detailed logging of exploratory holes, and in-situ and laboratory testing, culminating in the production of factual reports across the Phase Two route, some land of which will be in areas of historic mining. The Framework Agreement has a duration of 8 years with works/services anticipated to be undertaken over a four-year period during that term although works/services may extend over a longer period and further HS2 Ltd retains the option to extend the Framework Agreement for a further two years in the event of delays to the GI programme (see II.2.11 (Information about options) for further information). Further works may be called off under the Framework Agreement as optional scope at other HS2 sites or by Contracting Bodies other than HS2 Ltd (see VI.3 below).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

1) Option to extend the term of Framework Agreement

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

C1000_3089

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1- Ground Investigation Partner (GIP)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 September 2023

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

AECOM Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £85,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £85,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

C1000_3089

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2- Ground Investigation Contractor (GIC)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 September 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

BAM Nuttall Ltd (TA BAM Ritchies)

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fugro GeoServices Ltd

Wallingford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Geotechnical Engineering Limited

Gloucester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

RPS

Almondsbury, Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

SOCOTEC UK Ltd

Burton on Trent

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Soil Engineering Geoservices Limited

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Strata Geotechnics (part of Van Elle Ltd)

Kirkby-in-Ashfield

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Structural Soils Limited

Bedminster. Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £215,000,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Contracting Entity:

This Contract Notice is published by HS2 Ltd on behalf of itself and these Contracting Bodies:

- HS2 Ltd (including any successor to HS2 Ltd assuming HS2 Ltd's functions (in whole or in part) relevant to this Framework Agreement);
- The Infrastructure Manager;
- Route-wide Ground Investigation Contractors;
- Any other body as may assume delivery and/or ownership responsibilities in respect of the assets covered by this Framework Agreement;
- The future operator(s) the HS2 Phase 2 line.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts Of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

High Court

Royal Courts Of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom