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Contract

Post Excavation Services

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-029395

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b7d1

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited

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

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United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.6) Main activity

Railway services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Post Excavation Services

Reference number

2190

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71351914 - Archaeological services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Post Excavation Services contract has been awarded to Headland Archaeology (UK) Ltd to deliver the final stages of historic environment investigation. The HS2 Project presents an unprecedented opportunity to explore the country's past, through the UK's largest ever linear infrastructure project.

The appointed Supplier will provide historic environment and project management expertise to deliver HS2's end-to-end post-excavation programme, including the analysis, dissemination, publication and archiving of HS2's historic environment assets from along the line of route.

In procuring this contract HS2 Ltd is delivering commitments made by the Secretary of State for Transport with regard to historic environment, through a programme of post-excavation that provides public benefit and realises HS2's archaeological legacy. The key contract objectives are to enhance knowledge by:

- contributing to key questions about prehistory and history;
- testing interpretative concepts and methodological techniques; and
- challenging the way that the historic environment we investigate and interpret the past.

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: £55,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Questions / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract has been awarded for an initial period of 72 months, which the option to extend for a further 72 months via single or multiple fixed terms, at the sole discretion of HS2 Ltd.

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

There is no guarantee, express or implied, that appointed Supplier will receive any, or a particular volume or value of work. The estimated value quoted in this Contract Notice includes allowance for the maximum extension option.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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: [2022/S 000-010175](#)

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a periodic indicative notice

The contracting entity will not award any further contracts based on the above periodic indicative notice

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

c1000_3811

Title

Post Excavation Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Headland Archaeology (UK) Ltd

65 Sussex Street

Glasgow

G41 1DX

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: £55,000,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 15 %

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of England and Wales

Royal Courts of Justice, Strand

London

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