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# **Annual Communication Software, Licensing and Support**

Translink

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## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

### I.1) Name and addresses

**Translink** 

**Procurement Department** 

**Belfast** 

BT2 7LX

#### **Email**

denise.gordon@translink.co.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

### https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

### I.6) Main activity

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

## **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Annual Communicaton Software, Licensing and Support

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Translink requirement for annual software, licensing and support to Northern Ireland Railways. This provides software to NI Railways that allows interaction between Train and Track information to be captured and interpreted so that live information can be delivered to passengers/customers via various communication platforms. This covers text messages (Internal operational SMS charges) sent out to staff as operational communications is fundamental in distributing accurate operation information to staff on a daily basis

Translink intends to award a contract to Nexus Alpha Limited to carry out this annual software, licensing and support as they hold the propriety rights to the software.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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#### 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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

• The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

#### **Explanation:**

Nexus Alpha hold the propriety rights to the software and are the only supplier that can provide this critical service to Northern Ireland Railways for Annual communication Software, Licensing and Support.

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 October 2022

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £700,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

see VI 4.3

Belfast

Country

**United Kingdom** 

### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court.