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## **ESRI Technical Support Renewal**

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKE42 - Leeds

**Companies House**

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.northerngasnetworks.co.uk](http://www.northerngasnetworks.co.uk)

**I.6) Main activity**

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

ESRI Technical Support Renewal

#### **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**

NGN's current GIS landscape is built up of multiple complex, bespoke systems, which were setup by ESRI, which have been added to over the time and contain custom code supported

by ESRI under an NGN agreement.

Many of these systems have been or will soon be retired following NGN's recent investment to update our underlying GIS software. The work that we are doing with NGN's contracting partner to enhance our mapping software is reliant on ESRI technology but has given us the opportunity to review what our future landscape could look like from both an architectural and user perspective.

Future licences and support will form part of the GISU programme, however, owing to a delay with this project and the requirement to upgrade core ESRI technology has

resulted in NGN having to extend the current arrangements with ESRI to ensure ongoing support for the current live solutions.

#### **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: £20,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

3 month extension to current support agreement.

NGN contract ESRI to provide software and support for our GIS system which is used by our NGN field engineers and other operational staff to help identify, maintain and capture gas

data information on all our below ground assets and geographical information. This includes a Technical Support Agreement (TSA) which provides support for custom code on our legacy applications, such as Collector App, which form a critical part of our data capturing process.

The current agreement expires in December 2022 which will need extending for 3 months until such time NGN's new GIS system goes live, after which this support will no longer be required. ESRI UK is the official UK distributor of this software and NGN have chosen to work directly with ESRI rather than use a reseller to provide this support.

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

NGN require a 3 month extension to our current Technical Support Agreement with ESRI.

The reasons are as follows:

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by ESRI under an NGN agreement.

Many of these systems have been or will soon be retired following our recent investment to update our underlying GIS software. The work that we are doing with NGN's contracting partner to enhance our mapping software is reliant on ESRI technology but has given us the opportunity to review what our future landscape could look like from both an architectural and user perspective.

Future licences and support will form part of the GISU programme, however, owing to a delay with this project and the requirement to upgrade core ESRI technology has

resulted in NGN having to extend the current arrangements with ESRI for a further 3 months to ensure ongoing support for the current live solutions.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **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**

2 November 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

ESRI UK Limited

Aylesbury

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

Companies House

ESRI UK Limited

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £20,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Northern Gas Networks

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom