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Award

Telemetry System and Support

NORTHERN GAS NETWORKS LIMITED

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040df7

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Companies House

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Main address

<https://www.northerngasnetworks.co.uk/procurement/>

I.6) Main activity

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Telemetry System 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

NGN is extending a contract for an existing satellite communications system with Arqiva to provide bandwidth and downlinks to their datacentre (control centre) where data is routed via appropriate systems to NGN control room sites.

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: £637,650.20

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NGN will be extending the current agreement for 2 years.

The supplier provides a satellite communications system with Arqiva to provide bandwidth and downlinks to their datacentre (control centre) where data is routed via appropriate systems to NGN control room sites.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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:

There is a lot of uncertainty around longer-term technology for communications, with numerous applications coming to end of life.

With all this uncertainty NGN would like to extend with Arqiva to give time for this new technology to further develop and be tested in NGN, before making a long term decision on our communications strategy for GD3.

Once a longer term strategy has been decided suppliers will be given a fair opportunity to bid for the work.

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

20 October 2023

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

Arqiva Limited

Hampshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Companies House

2487597

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: £637,650.20

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Northern Gas Networks

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom