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Award

Purchase of used rail grinder

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

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Scope

Reference

NEX25/50

Description

Nexus seek to procure the purchase of one specialist used railway maintenance vehicle specifically a rail grinder MoserRV49 (or equivalent). This must be delivered to a suitable Nexus location by mid summer 2025 in order to meet the urgent needs of rail defects on the Tyne and Wear Metro.

The used rail grinder must meet the specialist gauging requirements of Nexus rail infrastructure and meet our operational needs including but not limited to: road/rail travel capabilities, limited noise levels (for Tyne and Wear Metro lineside neighbours), dust collection capabilities, large gradient working, and low minimum curve radius working.

Contract 1. Purchase of used rail grinder

Supplier

- HARSCO RAIL LIMITED

Contract value

- £1,200,000 excluding VAT
- £1,440,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

4 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 4 July 2025 to 4 September 2025
- 2 months, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34621200 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Utilities

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

This is a transparency notice to inform the market that Nexus is entering into a direct award with Harsco for the provision of a used rail grinding machine suitable for our specialist rail infrastructure. The specialist features on the machine Harsco can provide are not commercially available on used machines.

The timescales for design, manufacturing, testing and certification for an alternative used machine to be retrofit to Nexus requirements is not compatible with the deadline for the date the machine must be operational on site to allow the Tyne and Wear metro to address immediate rail defects and any arising rail defects that have the potential to be a safety risk if untreated.

Supplier

HARSCO RAIL LIMITED

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

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Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)