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Planning

Specialist Security Services

National Highways

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

National Highways

Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close

Guildford

GU1 4LZ

Email

SpecialistSecurityServices@nationalhighways.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ - South East (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nationalhighways.co.uk

Buyer's address

<https://nationalhighways.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Specialist Security Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75240000 - Public security, law and order services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

National Highways is seeking feedback on how best to procure a service to provide safe, efficient and effective management of protest and trespass incidents that affect the operation and improvement of the Strategic Road Network. Any resulting procurement for such services is not expected to cover the A303 Stonehenge project.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79700000 - Investigation and security services
- 79710000 - Security services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)

- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

National Highways is looking to engage with Specialist Security Service providers to understand the interest and capacity of the market to meet the following requirements:

- Capacity & capability to respond to incidents at short notice and promptly establish the correct response requirement.
- Be knowledgeable, experienced & professional in the removal of protestors/squatters from affected National Highways land and premises whilst adhering to Health, Safety & Wellbeing standards.
- Provide relevant updates during incidents.
- Provide support to the emergency services when requested during an incident.
- Capacity & capability to serve court papers and any other legal documents to the intended recipient.
- Support and provide feedback during lessons learnt sessions to aid continuous improvement.
- Support and provide evidence to the emergency services as required, post-incident

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

12 August 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

National Highways has produced a Market Engagement questionnaire and supporting information pack. Please email SpecialistSecurityServices@nationalhighways.co.uk to request your copy of the information pack and questionnaire. Responses to the questionnaire should be submitted by 17:00 on Monday 8 January 2024 . One-to-one follow up meetings with National Highways are planned for January/February 2024.

Completed questionnaires are gratefully received. These, and any discussions at follow up meetings, will be treated as commercially confidential and will help inform the future strategy and procurement route for this service.

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