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Planning

Lift and Escalator Consultant Framework

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Railway Infrastructure

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Lift and Escalator Consultant Framework

Reference number

Project_41436 - #39838

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71315200 - Building consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Network Rail is seeking to put in place a framework for the provision of lift and escalator consultancy services.

The supplier(s) shall provide consultancy support for the following lift and escalator activities:

- Technical leadership
- Project delivery
- Asset management
- Maintenance
- Assurance

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II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 42416100 - Lifts
- 42416400 - Escalators

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Since taking over the rail network in 2002, Network Rail have been committed to providing safe, reliable and efficient infrastructure for the UK. There are more than 40,000 of us in the company working hard to improve every aspect of the railway. We are ambitious for its future and want to expand the network to meet users' needs.

While we do not run the trains or sell tickets, we do maintain, manage, and improve every aspect of the infrastructure. That's 20,000 miles of track, 30,000 bridges, tunnels and viaducts and the thousands of signals, level crossings and stations. We manage 20 of the UK's largest stations while all the others, over 2,500, are managed by the country's train operating companies. Over the coming years we will transition to become Great British Railways.

The Network Rail national portfolio currently consists of approximately 1480 lifts and 300 escalators. In the next control period, we expect to see the number of assets increase by 10%.

Draft description of service requirements:

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Technical leadership consultancy activities may include:

- Providing technical expertise for the improvement of Network Rail standards and processes
- Advising on new technology, innovations, sustainability measures and energy saving features.
- Aspects such as remote monitoring and software advances shall be included in this advice.
- Acting in an advisory capacity in relation to investigations and responses to Her Majesty Rail Inspectorate Reports (HMRI). This will include supporting the close-out for any such accidents, incidents, and close calls where instructed.
- Provide an update on any changes to legislation and statutory requirements in relation to lift and escalator design, construction, and maintenance.
- Provide independent safety related event accident investigations.

Project delivery consultancy activities may include:

- For Network Rail capital delivery projects, the supplier shall have the capability to discharge the function of Principal Designer as recognised under CDM regulations.
- Where appropriate, the supplier shall have the capability to discharge the role of Project Engineer under NR/L2/RSE/02009.
- Under Network Rail's PACE process.

Asset management consultancy activities may include:

- Provide NR L&E Team with asset condition reports including asset data collection and upload into asset management database.
- Providing technical expertise to support the development of the Network Rail strategic business plan, asset management plans and maintenance regime.

Maintenance consultancy activities shall include:

- Certification of major repair and replacement Services and Works, including site surveys and inspections as well as all handover and witnessing on site as required.
- Providing technical assistance at poor performing assets to establish root cause and corrective actions.
- Assisting with statutory inspections reports and closure of any defects or observations raised (LOLER/SAFed).
- Inspection and assessment of vandalism or misuse and providing robust repair/protection recommendations.
- Inspection of new and replacement lifts and escalators, including the provision of reports providing budget costs and programmes associated with ongoing operation and maintenance

Assurance consultancy activities shall include:

- Support NR L&E Team in delivering assurance activities, such as reviews of maintenance activities and statutory documentation.
- Support the compliance checking and assurance for schemes undertaken by third parties, w

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

24 March 2025

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: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Network Rail will be hosting a market engagement event for lift and escalator consultancy services on 3rd December 2024. The event will be hosted on TEAMS and shall commence at 12.30 promptly. The objective of this event is for Network Rail to provide information to potential suppliers on lift and escalator consultancy services requirements; how the services currently works and developments of the service during CP7.

If you would like to express an interest in attending this market engagement event, please email annmarie.rochford2@networkrail.co.uk In the subject line of your email please state, 'Market Engagement Event - L&E Consultancy Services.'

You will receive a confirmation email of your booking as well as a series of market consultation questions which will assist Network Rail in finalising it's strategy.

Note that it is NOT mandatory that you attend this event as information shared by Network Rail will be made available to all tenderers when the tender is published.

Requests for further information and any questions or clarifications in respect of this RFI should be addressed to annmarie.rochford2@networkrail.co.uk. Deadline to express an interest to this PIN is noon 26th November 2024.

Please note any discussions which do occur will cease immediately should a formal competition ultimately be announced. Network Rail is committed to ensuring fairness, openness and transparency, and to following UK procurement regulations. The Periodic Indicative Notice is issued solely for the purpose of conducting pre-procurement market engagement via a request for information and does not constitute any commitment to undertake any procurement in the future. Interested parties will not be prejudiced by any response or failure to respond to the PIN event and a response to this PIN does not guarantee any invitation to participate in this event or any future procurement.

This PIN does not constitute a call for competition to procure any services, supplies or works mentioned in this PIN and Network Rail will not accept any proposals offered in response to this PIN.

Network Rail is not liable for any costs, fees, or expenses incurred by any party in replying to or attending any PIN event.

Any procurement of any services, supplies or works by Network Rail will be carried out strictly in accordance with the provisions of prevailing procurement regulations.

Network Rail would like to thank you in advance should you wish to respond to this Request for Information.