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Tender

## **902476755 T1354 Enabling unplanned bi-directional running on a line signalled for only one direction**

Rail Safety Standards Board (RSSB)

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b689

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Rail Safety Standards Board (RSSB)

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Procurement Team

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-London:-Research-services./D4934D7NK9>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-London:-Research-services./D4934D7NK9>

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Railway safety, standards, research services etc.

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

902476755 T1354 Enabling unplanned bi-directional running on a line signalled for only one direction

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73110000 - Research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

RSSB is seeking to procure research to review the current operational response to running trains in both directions on a line signalled in only one direction. It is intended that this new approach enable a quicker and more effective response to incidents, overcoming existing barriers while being less resource intensive, and provide adequate control for the specific risks associated with the method of working.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £280,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £280,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

18

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

RSSB expects the work to start in January 2025, and envisage this research to complete within 18 months and ideally be completed within 12 months.

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2.14) Additional information**

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

16 December 2024

Local time

12:00pm

### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

16 December 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Place

London

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

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

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

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#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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