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Tender

T313 (2025) Provision of Tree Cutting

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

F05: Contract notice – utilities

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-038370

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046eea

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks Limited

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Belfast,

BT9 5HT

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nienetworks.co.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.6) Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

T313 (2025) Provision of Tree Cutting

Reference number

T313 (2025)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NIE Networks wishes to procure the services of suitably qualified and experienced service providers for the Provision of Tree Cutting. The Works shall be divided into 4 geographic Lots as follows:

- Lot 1: North (main lot will be sub categorised by voltage LV, 11kV, 33kV, Transmission and Major Projects)
- Lot 2: West (main lot will be sub categorised by voltage LV, 11kV, 33kV, Transmission and Major Projects)
- Lot 3: South (main lot will be sub categorised by voltage LV, 11kV, 33kV, Transmission and Major Projects)
- Lot 4: East (main lot will be sub categorised by voltage LV, 11kV, 33kV, Transmission and Major Projects)

The Works across all lots are for the provision of Services and Works in relation to tree cutting associated with:

- New build Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to and including 400kV
- Refurbishment of Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to

and including 400kV

- Storm escalation work regarding Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to and including 400kV
- Fault & emergency work regarding Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to and including 400kV
- Other associated works and services in connection with the above list as deemed appropriate.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £56,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - North

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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- Other associated works and services in connection with the above list as deemed appropriate.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

96

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement period is 4 (four) years with the option, exercisable

exclusively by NIE Networks, to extend the Framework Agreement for up to two additional 2 (two) year extension periods. Potential total Framework Agreement duration of 8 (eight) years.

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - West

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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- New build Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to and including 400kV
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- Storm escalation work regarding Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all

voltages up to and including 400kV

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II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Maximum number: 3

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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Options: Yes

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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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - South

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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- Fault & emergency work regarding Transmission and Distribution Overhead Lines on all voltages up to and including 400kV
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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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - East

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77211400 - Tree-cutting services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

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II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 12

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-017966](#)

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

Date

15 January 2025

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)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom

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

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom