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Contract

## **Supply of Long and Short Rail and Ancillary Services**

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

F06: Contract award notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03dd3b

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

2905487

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk>

**I.6) Main activity**

Railway services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Supply of Long and Short Rail and Ancillary Services

Reference number

28680

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 34946000 - Railway-track construction materials and supplies

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

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

Award of the Supply of Steel Rail and ancillary services to Network Rail (NR) for a period of up to 8 years. The scope for supply of steel rail within this notice includes the potential to include all of Network Rail and its subsidiaries, including but not limited to Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd and Network Rail High Speed and also to those organisations covered by our external business framework including Transport for Wales and as an occasional joint procurement with HS2 Ltd.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £718,082,359.54

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Supply of Steel Rail Long and Short and Ancillary Services

Lot No

1

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 34946110 - Rails
- 45262680 - Welding
- 76300000 - Drilling services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE13 - North and North East Lincolnshire

Main site or place of performance

Lincolnshire

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

Network Rail has appointed 1 Supplier. Long Rail/Short Rail Package. The Supplier shall provide 108m/216m rail in 56E1 and 60E2 profiles and in both R260 grade

and Premium grades. The Supplier shall provide the above with corrosion resistant coating when requested by Network Rail.

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

Price

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option 1: Green Steel

Option 2: Closed Circular Economy

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

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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The basis of the direct award to British Steel is Regulation 50(1)(c)(ii) UCR2016 on the grounds that competition is absent for technical reasons. Network Rail has undertaken market engagement which has confirmed there is no other supplier with a long-rail welding facility in Great Britain or who has indicated that they would be prepared to construct one at present or in the foreseeable future. Network Rail has held an openly advertised competition for certain steel products including volumes of steel rail where the market engagement has indicated that access to NR's own welding facility is such that there is likely to be at least a degree of competition; this assumption was proved to be correct.

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### 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: [2023/S 000-018420](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

ecm\_46290

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Supply of Steel Rail and Ancillary Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

17 June 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

British Steel Limited

Administration Building, Brigg Road

Scunthorpe

DN16 1BP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE13 - North and North East Lincolnshire

National registration number

12303256

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £718,082,359.54

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The scope for supply of steel rail within this notice includes the potential to include all of Network Rail and its subsidiaries, including but not limited to Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd and Network Rail High Speed and also to those organisations covered by our external business framework including Transport for Wales and as an occasional joint procurement with HS2 Ltd. Network Rail reserves the right to flex volume commitments and related advertised value ranges between lots covered by this notice and the Award Notice for Lots 2-6 in the circumstance described in the documentation at Schedule 11 Financial Difficulties.

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

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

High Court

7 Rolls Building, Fetter Lane

London

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

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