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Planning

Specialist advice and testing on corrosive protection of steelwork

National Highways

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Scope

Description

National Highways (NH) is looking to secure the provision of a single supplier to provide independent specialist technical advice on all issues relating to paints and the corrosion protection of steelwork used in our highway structures. As well as providing specialist technical advice the services will include undertaking inspections of paint to structures on sites within England, obtaining and testing paint samples and the testing of paints to ensure durability of products used. The strategic road network includes motorways, and single and dual carriageway all-purpose trunk roads. It is proposed

to construct a large number of steel highway structures associated with major schemes and Smart Motorways

programmes. National Highways is also responsible for maintaining approximately 1750 steel bridges, 3000 steel gantry

structures and many minor steel structures such as masts and lighting columns on the

strategic road network.

Total value (estimated)

- £300,000 excluding VAT
- £360,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028
- Possible extension to 31 December 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71337000 - Corrosion engineering services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

25 August 2025

Engagement process description

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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

30 September 2025

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government