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Contract

Purchase of used rail grinder

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

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Scope

Reference

NEX25/50

Description

Nexus has purchased one specialist used railway maintenance vehicle, specifically a rail grinder MoserRV49 (or equivalent). This has been delivered to a suitable Nexus location in order to meet the urgent needs of rail defects on the Tyne and Wear Metro.

The used rail grinder meets the specialist gauging requirements of Nexus rail infrastructure and our operational needs including but not limited to: road/rail travel capabilities, limited noise levels (for Tyne and Wear Metro lineside neighbours), dust collection capabilities, large gradient working, and low minimum curve radius working.

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Supplier

- HARSCO RAIL LIMITED

Contract value

- £1,240,000 excluding VAT
- £1,488,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

1 September 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 27 November 2025
- 2 months, 27 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34621200 - Railway maintenance or service vehicles

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)

Justification for not setting key performance indicators

Contract less than £5m.

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Utilities

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

The specialist features on the machine Harsco can provide are not commercially available on used machines. The timescales for design, manufacturing, testing and certification for an alternative used machine to be retrofit to Nexus requirements were not compatible with the deadline for the date the machine must be operational on site to allow the Tyne and Wear metro to address immediate rail defects and any arising rail defects that have the potential to be a safety risk if untreated.

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNTB-4383-VMJH

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)