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Award

On Train Data Recorder

Transport for Wales Rail Limited (Utility Buyer)

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Scope

Reference

TFW0935.00

Description

This direct award relates to the procurement of hosting services, inclusive of ongoing maintenance and technical support, for an On-Train Data Recorder (OTDR) solution. The OTDR system is designed to capture and store operational data relating to train control inputs, the train's performance in response to those inputs, and the functioning of associated control systems.

Contract 1. On Train Data Recorder

Supplier

- Hasler Rail

Contract value

- £1,050,000 excluding VAT
- £1,260,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

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

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend for 24 months at 12 month increments.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 48100000 - Industry specific software package

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

Procurement Act 2023 – Schedule 5, Paragraph 2(1)(b): Technical Reasons

This direct award is made on technical grounds in accordance with Schedule 5, Paragraph 2(1)(b) of the Procurement Act 2023. Transport for Wales (TfW) is currently

commissioning its Class 398 fleet, a process that involves intricate integration of onboard systems. Introducing changes at this stage would pose substantial technical challenges and risks to the programme's delivery.

Given the complexity and criticality of the commissioning phase, a direct award is essential to maintain system continuity, ensure technical compatibility, and safeguard programme integrity.

Supplier

Hasler Rail

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. On Train Data Recorder

Contracting authority

Transport for Wales Rail Limited (Utility Buyer)

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales