

**United Kingdom-London: Geological, geophysical and other scientific prospecting services**  
**OJ S 23/2021 03/02/2021**  
**Contract award notice – utilities**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/25/EU

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**Section I: Contracting entity**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: GridLink Interconnector Ltd

National registration number: 10181689

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Town: London

NUTS code: UKI4 Inner London - East

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**I.6. Main activity**

Electricity

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1. Title**

UK Onshore Topographic, Geophysical, Geotechnical and Soil Contamination Survey for Converter Station Site and Underground HVAC Cable Route

Reference number: ITT-UKSURV-001

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

71351000 Geological, geophysical and other scientific prospecting services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

Topographic, geophysical, geotechnical and soil contamination survey of a converter station site and underground HVAC cable route for a new 1 400 MW electricity interconnector project at Kingsnorth, Isle of Grain in Kent. The survey comprises non-intrusive survey techniques, boreholes, trial pits, dynamic probes, slit trenches and concrete coring to determine the underlying geological profile, mechanical properties and other relevant parameters of the geologic materials present on the converter station site and cable route to inform the design, construction and installation of the project.

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

This contract is divided into lots: no

## **II.2. Description**

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

NUTS code: UKJ41 Medway

Main site or place of performance: Former coal-fired power station site at Kingsnorth industrial area, Isle of Grain, Kent.

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

Topographic, geophysical, geotechnical and soil contamination survey of:

(a) 4.3 ha converter station site; and

(b) 1.4 km x 20-55m wide underground HVAC cable corridor with total survey area of 4.3 ha.

The overall survey area is 8.6 ha.

The survey comprises:

- topographic survey;
- buried utilities investigation;
- geophysical survey;
- geotechnical survey, including location-specific UXO surveys prior to any excavations;
- in-situ and field testing;
- geotechnical sampling;
- soil contamination sampling;
- tank base concrete coring.

The non-intrusive surveys comprise GPS RTK and/or conventional land survey methods, drone aerial mapping techniques, seismic refraction (30 m target penetration), Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR), electrical resistivity measurements and thermal resistivity measurements.

The intrusive surveys comprise 10 boreholes (30 m depth), 14 trial pits (3 m depth), 14 dynamic probes (10 m/30 m depth), 6 slit trenches (2.5 m depth) and 24 concrete cores (3 m depth).

Disturbed and undisturbed samples will be collected from boreholes and trial pits for laboratory testing for a range of geotechnical parameters and soil contaminants.

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

Options: no

### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project: Project of Common Interest (PCI) 1.7.5 Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) grant Action No 1.7.5-0003-UKFR-S-M-18\_Ares(2018)6335619

### **II.2.14. Additional information**

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Description**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

#### **IV.2. Administrative information**

##### **IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2019/S 146-360714](#)

##### **IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

##### **IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a periodic indicative notice**

#### **Section V: Award of contract**

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**Contract No:** 1

**Title:**

UK Onshore Topographic, Geophysical, Geotechnical and Soil Contamination Survey for Converter Station Site and Underground HVAC Cable Route

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

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

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

05/11/2019

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

Number of tenders received: 10

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

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

Official name: Socotec UK Ltd

National registration number: 02880501

Town: Burton upon Trent

NUTS code: UKJ41 Medway

Postal code: DE15 0YZ

Country: United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME: no

##### **V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot**

##### **V.2.5. Information about subcontracting**

##### **V.2.6. Price paid for bargain purchases**

#### **Section VI: Complementary information**

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

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

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

Official name: To be determined

Postal address: To be determined

Town: To be determined

Country: United Kingdom

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

Official name: To be determined

Postal address: To be determined

Town: To be determined

Country: United Kingdom

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

29/01/2021