

United Kingdom-Belfast: Natural gas

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Premier Transmission Limited

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General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.premier-transmission.com>

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Other: natural gas transportation

I.3. Main activity

Other: natural gas transportation

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

NI Network Balancing Agreements 2016-2017 (NI Network Sell Agreement/ NI Network Buy Agreement) and Framework Agreement.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Main site or place of performance: Northern Ireland.

NUTS code

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Maximum number Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement
: 10

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 1

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Northern Ireland's requirement for Balancing Gas Services (Balancing Gas Sell and Balancing Gas Buy) is being tendered by Premier Transmission Limited (PTL) for the period from 1.10.2016 until 1.10.2017 on behalf of PTL, Belfast Gas Transmission Limited (BGTL), Gas Networks Ireland (GNI UK) and West Transmission Limited (WTL), (together the 'NI Network Operators').

These contracts will enable the NI Network Operators to jointly balance their pipeline system in Northern Ireland, including the Premier Transmission Limited Scotland to Northern Ireland Pipeline (SNIP) System.

The ITT invites Tenderers to submit tenders for 1 or more of 7 possible types of Balancing Gas Contract under 2 different Lots.

In order to request 'Invitation to Tender' documentation please forward your full contact details to: Lauren.Skillen-Baine@mutual-energy.com

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

09123000 Natural gas

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

See Section II.1.5)

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Balancing Buy

1) Short description

The ITT invites Tenderers to submit tenders for 1 or more of 7 possible types of Balancing Gas Contract under 2 different Lots.

There are 3 possible contract types under Lot 1 — Balancing Buy:

- 1A: Non-Locational Balancing Gas Buy;
- 1B: Locational (Moffat) Balancing Gas Buy;
- 1C: Locational (Moffat) Balancing Gas Buy for a non-NI Shipper.

2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Balancing Sell

1) Short description

The ITT invites Tenderers to submit tenders for 1 or more of 7 possible types of Balancing Gas Contract under 2 different Lots.

There are 4 possible contract types under Lot 2 — Balancing Sell:

2A: Non-Locational Balancing Gas Sell;

2B: Locational (Moffat) Balancing Gas Sell;

2C: Locational (Combined) Balancing Gas Sell (PTL System Only);

2D: Locational (Combined) Balancing Gas Sell (Parallel Contracts).

2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

As per Contract documents.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

As per Contract documents.

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

Requests to participate may be submitted by single entities or by groups of service providers. A group will not be required to convert into a specific legal form in order to submit a request to participate, but may if Premier Transmission Limited considers it necessary to ensure that the contract is carried out to its satisfaction, be required to do so prior to award of the contract. Premier Transmission Limited also reserves the right to contract with each member of the group on the basis of joint and several liability, or with 1 member of the group as a main contractor with a number of sub-contractors or on any other basis as Premier Transmission Limited considers appropriate.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: Grounds for Exclusion and Criteria for Rejection of Candidates as listed in Regulation 57 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: Financial Standing will be evaluated.

PTL require Auditor's statement confirming that the firm is in a suitable financial position to undertake the services.

Evidence of relevant credit cover (including copies of relevant documents) provided or to be provided:

For NI Shippers, this should cover any additional transportation charges that may be incurred by the Tenderer in the delivery of balancing gas and the Tenderers PS Code Charges (imbalance charges) under the NI Network Code.

Where the Tenderer is not an NI Shipper, evidence of credit cover provided or to be provided in respect of relevant activities upstream of the NI Network.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

Technical Ability 1:

Confirmation that the Tenderer is in an operational and contractual position to purchase gas from/sell gas to the relevant NI Network Operator in accordance with each contract type for which they are submitting a tender. This includes evidence of the accession of the Tenderer to relevant network codes.

This includes copies of registrations or a statement confirming that it is able to register at the appropriate points under the relevant network codes, and a description of the appropriate capability including IT systems for submitting the required nominations to give effect to the transactions each day for the duration of the contract award (2016-2017).

Technical Ability 2:

Confirmation that the Tenderer is in a position to purchase or sell the minimum daily quantities as set out in Table 2.1 in Section 2 for each day for the duration of the contract (Gas Year 2016-2017) and confirmation that the Tenderer is capable of delivering the maximum quantities it specifies in its tender. This should include evidence of upstream contracts including in particular the provisions for calling on those upstream contracts.

Where more than 1 tender is submitted for the same Lot, Tenderers should ensure that the evidence demonstrates that all the quantities that are the subject of a tender will be available and that the same quantity of gas is not the subject of more than 1 tender.

Tenderers will also be required to demonstrate capability:

Details of 2 (two) relevant examples of similar experience in trading and shipping of natural gas within Europe during the last 2 years.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Criteria below

1. Price. Weighting 90
2. Allocated resources. Weighting 10

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

Balgas16/17

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

22.8.2016 - 17:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Recurrent — June 2017.

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

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

VI.3. Additional information

PTL intends to award places on the Framework Agreements until the relevant quantity requirement (for buy or sell of gas, of 8 667 000 kWh in each case) has been met. In addition PTL may, for the purposes of operational resilience, choose to offer further places on the Framework Agreements. Since each Tenderer must offer a minimum quantity of 1 000 000 kWh in their tenders it is on this basis that the potential maximum number of participants to the framework agreement has been envisaged as 10, however PTL reserves the right to place additional participants on the Framework Agreements if it considers that appropriate.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

22.7.2016