

**United Kingdom-Belfast: Engineering design services**  
**OJ S 152/2017 10/08/2017**  
**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: Mutual Energy Limited

Postal address: c/o Pinsent Masons Belfast LLP, the Soloist, 1 Lanyon Place

Town: Belfast

NUTS code: UKN0 Northern Ireland

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Country: United Kingdom

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**Internet address(es):**

Main address: [www.mutual-energy.com](http://www.mutual-energy.com)

**I.6. Main activity**

Other activity: technical, integrity and compliance — major projects and services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1. Title**

Technical, Regulatory and Compliance Support — All Disciplines.

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

71320000 Engineering design services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

Mutual Energy Limited ('Mutual') sought a panel of three competent and experienced providers for the award of places on a framework. The objective was to appoint providers that could deliver compliance, technical & integrity services, aimed at large scale projects with a call-off value greater than 10 000 GBP per activity, and which incorporated the scope and requirements of the Competent Person ('CP'), Network Analysis ('NA') and Independent Metering Witness ('IMW'). Whilst Mutual conducted the tender process, the Framework Agreement and call-off contracts were entered into by Interconnector Services Limited ('ISL'), a wholly owned subsidiary of Mutual, which exists to contract services which are shared across the three operating companies of the Mutual Energy Group (West Transmission Limited, Belfast Gas Transmission Limited and Premier Transmission Limited).

**II.1.6.**

## Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

### II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 2 000 000,00 GBP

## II.2. Description

### II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

71322200 Pipeline-design services, 71333000 Mechanical engineering services, 71311000 Civil engineering consultancy services, 71311100 Civil engineering support services, 71317210 Health and safety consultancy services

### II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKN Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance: Northern Ireland (various locations).

### II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The Mutual gas companies engage the services of expert consultancy service providers to undertake a range of technical, integrity and compliance related services. These services cover a range of disciplines including Health and Safety management, emergency response, pipeline integrity and operation and design (mechanical, civil, pipeline, electrical and instrumentation) for plant enhancements and replacements. The consultancy service providers were previously procured as and when required. The process of procuring each service separately was administratively burdensome. Also, the services were often required at short notice e.g. corrosion identified and requiring specialist assessment, possibly when pipeline pressures are lowered or pegged. In light of this, Mutual took the decision to advertise the appointment of several gas consultants to operate via a framework contract, in order to create a panel that would simplify and expedite engaging experts at competitively tendered rates when specific work requirements arose.

Examples of typical consultancy services which framework providers will provide include: Meter Consultancy, Validation and Technical Support (gas meters are used for fiscal billing so they must be validated annually by an independent expert. The meter validation work is undertaken by the Maintenance and Emergency Response Contractor (MERC) and independently witnessed); Direct Technical Resource (historically provided as support for the gas operations team through periods of high work load which may be a requirement going forward for the same reason, temporary back fill if individuals leave or rotate and cover for prolonged staff leave, for example during pregnancy); and Pressure Systems Safety Regulation (PSSR) Competent Person (these statutory regulations aim to prevent serious injury from the hazard of stored energy as a result of the failure of a pressure system or one of its component parts. The regulations place a number of obligations on Mutual, including securing the oversight from a 'Competent Person').

### II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Compliance / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: System Integrity and Corrosion / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Third Party Encroachment / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Pipeline Stress Analysis and Protection / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: DSEAR / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Meter Validation — Independent Witness / Weighting: 7.5

Quality criterion - Name: Competent Person / Weighting: 17.5

Price - Weighting: 60

#### **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:  
no

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

Places on the framework were awarded to the three highest scoring tenderers on the basis of 40 % quality (divided into the above sub-weightings) and 60 % price. The anticipated volume of work to be made available to providers is 2 000 000 GBP over the duration of the framework. However, such work is not guaranteed.

### **Section IV: Procedure**

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

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

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

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

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

Notice number in the OJ S: [2016/S 248-455368](#)

##### **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

**Lot No:** 1

**Title:**

Technical, Regulatory and Compliance Support — All Disciplines

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

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

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

01/08/2017

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

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

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

Official name: Penspen Limited  
Postal address: 3 Water Lane, Surrey  
Town: Richmond upon Thames  
NUTS code: UKI75 Hounslow and Richmond upon Thames  
Postal code: TW9 1TJ  
Country: United Kingdom  
Internet address: <http://www.penspen.com/>  
The contractor is an SME: no

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP  
Total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP

**V.2.5. Information about subcontracting**

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

**Section V: Award of contract**

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**Contract No:** 2

**Lot No:** 1

**Title:**

Technical, Regulatory and Compliance Support — All Disciplines

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

**V.2. Award of contract**

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

01/08/2017

**V.2.2. Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6  
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

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

Official name: Long O Donnell Associates Limited  
Postal address: 5 Royal Mews, Gadbrook Business Park, Cheshire  
Town: Northwich  
NUTS code: UKD6 Cheshire  
Postal code: CW9 7UD  
Country: United Kingdom  
Internet address: <http://www.long-odonnell.com/>  
The contractor is an SME: yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP  
Total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP

**V.2.5. Information about subcontracting**

## V.2.6. Price paid for bargain purchases

### Section V: Award of contract

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**Contract No:** 3

**Lot No:** 1

**Title:**

Technical, Regulatory and Compliance Support — All Disciplines

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

#### V.2. Award of contract

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

01/08/2017

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

Number of tenders received: 6

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

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

Official name: WSP UK Limited

Postal address: WSP House, 70 Chancery Lane

Town: London

NUTS code: UKI3 Inner London - West

Postal code: WC21 1AF

Country: United Kingdom

Internet address: <http://www.wsp-pb.com/en/WSP-UK/>

The contractor is an SME: no

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP

Total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000,00 GBP

##### 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: High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Postal address: Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Town: Belfast

Postal code: BT1 3JF

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: [office@courtsni.gov.uk](mailto:office@courtsni.gov.uk)

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

08/08/2017