

# TMTii 35 – ONVIF Camera Specification Development

## Secondary Competition Questions and Answers

Version 4 – 08/11/17

Our Ref	Date Received	Document Reference	Question and Answer	Date Released
		2.12.7 & 2.12.8 of the Scope.	<p><b><u>Highways England Statement</u></b></p> <p>Dear suppliers</p> <p>Whilst you are considering whether to tender for this opportunity, we wish to draw your attention to clause 2.12.7 &amp; 2.12.8 of the Scope.</p> <p><b>2.12.7</b> <i>The Consultant accepts that in Providing the Services, there are various restrictions on what related contracts they can tender for, in accordance with the Employer's procurement policy located at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/procurement">https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/procurement</a>. As to avoid a conflict of interest, the Consultant accepts that they are prohibited from tendering for any Employer opportunities which aim to deploy the TMTii 35 completed contract specification, services and/or infrastructure on a commercial scale.</i></p> <p><b>2.12.8</b> <i>The Consultant accepts that by Providing the Services on TMTii 35, they will not be permitted to tender, either directly or indirectly, for any supply of CCTV cameras that exploit the specification developed by this service.</i></p> <p>In order to guarantee impartiality, the successful tenderer would not be able to provide equipment or services on Camera related services that will utilise the finished specification.</p>	25/10/17
1	23/10/17	Scope - Phase 6	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>It is not commercially viable to procure 'a minimum of 3 COTS ONVIF cameras' at our own cost for the purposes of this testing activity, unless we built the cost of these into our rates which may have the effect of Highways England incurring greater cost over the period of the contract. Would the HE consider reimbursing the Consultant, at cost, for these purchases, along with any additional supporting equipment needed to conduct suitable testing against the requirements?</p>	

			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>For phase 6 the Consultant is expected to cover the costs associated with obtaining the 3 COTS ONVIF cameras and any specialist test equipment that they believe is needed. Highways England wouldn't expect the Consultant to necessarily purchase test equipment if hiring it etc would be more cost efficient. The costs associated with access to the Permanent Test Network will be covered by Highways England</p>	25/10/17
2	23/10/17	Call Off Agreement	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>Please clarify the intention to operate a project bank account (Option Y (UK) 1) on this scheme – please note it is not our intention to subcontract our obligation to provide any part of the services and there will be no Named Suppliers for our part.</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>This is a standard Highways England clause under all TMT2 call offs so therefore will not be removed</p>	25/10/17
3	25/10/17	Scope	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>Please can you confirm if a Parent Company Guarantee required for this TMT task?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>Tenderers are not required to return one at tender return, however Highways England could ask for one at any point during the contract if deemed necessary</p>	25/10/17
4	25/10/17	RfQ Annex A	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>We would like to request an extension of time of 1 week for the quotation return due to reduced bid resource during the half term holiday period.</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Tender Amendment 1 – TA1</u></b></p> <p>We have granted an extension of one week, however further extensions will not be taken due to programme timescales</p> <p>New deadline for tender questions – <b>11:00 08/11/17</b>  New tender return date - <b>11:00 15/11/17</b></p>	26/10/17

5	25/10/17	Staff Rate Card	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>The staff rates card requires tenderers to provide a full breakdown of staff, business, and office overheads, in order to determine applicable staff rates. This was the approach taken on the TMTi framework but not taken to date on the TMTii framework. The TMTii framework requires rates to be aligned to SFIA grades, and less than the rates provided at framework stage. Can Highways England please confirm that it has included the appropriate rate card spreadsheet?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>The staff rate card is the standard rate card in the format required across Highways England contracts for provision of this type of service. It is there to enable full validation of the rates submitted and to substantiate your Hourly and daily rate. Therefore this is the format that suppliers tendering for Highways England's contracts are required to populate.</p>	26/10/17
6	25/10/17	CPF	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>The RFQ and the Call-Off Agreement reference the Collaborative Performance Framework (CPF), however this has not been provided with the tender documents. Could Highways England please make available a copy of the CPF documents or advise where these can be accessed?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Tender Amendment 2 – TA2</u></b></p> <p>Apologies this documents was accidentally omitted, so please see 'TMTii 35 - CPF v3.0.xlsx' which has been added to the Tender Amendment folder on Bravo</p>	26/10/17
7	30/10/17	Scope	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>In the TMTii 35 Scope document, Phase 6 – COTS product assessment requires that "The Consultant shall carry out the testing at the Employer's Permanent Test Network (PTN)". Can Highways England give further details of the PTN including access arrangements and any technical constraints, and can confirmation be provided that it is representative of Highways England's network for the purpose of camera testing?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>Highways England's Permanent Test Network replicates in the laboratory the optical fibre based telecommunications network (known as the National Roads Telecommunications Services network, or NRTS, for short) that links our roadside technology assets to the Regional Control Centres. In</p>	03/11/17

			consideration of camera testing the PTN is identical to the live NRTS network. The PTN is provided and managed on behalf of Highways England by the NRTS contractor, it is located at Coleshill Computer Centre. PTN access is managed through Highways England's NRTS team	
8	30/10/17	Scope	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>Is the Consultant required to carry out the tests that a CCTV Supplier would normally be expected to self-certify (for example, the environmental tests set out in Section 9 of MCE 2625)?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>During phase 6 the Consultant is not required to carry out tests that a supplier would normally be expected to self-certify</p>	03/11/17
9	01/11/17	Scope	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>Item 3.1.7 of the Scope requires the Consultant to test the cameras at the permanent test network (PTN) or other Employer's premises against all MCE 2625 mandatory clauses. MCE 2625 mandatory clauses include environmental tests (temperature, vibration, EMC, etc). Noting that these tests would require specialist test facilities; can you confirm that environmental tests are excluded from the scope?</p>	
			<p><b><u>Answer:</u></b></p> <p>For phase 6, the Consultant is not required to undertake environmental tests</p>	03/11/17
10	01/11/17	Scope	<p><b><u>Question:</u></b></p> <p>Item 3.1.9 of the Scope states that "The Employer will provide the PTN (or alternative) test facilities free of charge to the Consultant for the purposes of undertaking phase 6". Noting also that the Consultant is responsible for providing any additional test equipment needed, would you please detail the test equipment that will be provided by the Employer in the Employer's test facilities.</p>	

**Answer:**

The CCTV equipment available for assessing cameras at the PTN is shown below;

Manufacturer	Equipment	Serial number	Notes
Sony	Digital VCR	25074	
Sony	Digital player	40854	
Vista	Monitor	KB040151959	Not broadcast quality
Vista	Monitor	KB040151947	Not broadcast quality
Tektronix	PQA500	DE1003-0047	Only one of these is permanently available at the PTN
Tektronix	PQA500	DE1003-0046	

Note: The quality of the two monitors is not particularly high, for undertaking picture quality tests the Consultant is advised to provide their own monitor.

The reference DVD, part number MCH1971, containing suitable video footage (e.g. for undertaking camera picture quality tests) will be provided by the Employer

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