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Via email

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26th May 2023

Dear

Procurement Reference TTWO0224 – National Rail Contracts (NRC) Scorecard Assurance and Audit

THIS AGREEMENT is made on the 26th May 2023

BETWEEN:

- (1) **Department for Transport; Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 4DR** (“the **Employer**”); and
- (2) **Grant Thornton UK LLP; 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AG** (“the **Supplier**”).

WHEREAS:

- (A) The Consultant has been appointed to the Specialist Technical Advice for Rail and other Transport Modes (STARTwo) Framework and has entered into a framework agreement in relation to its appointment (the “Framework Agreement”).
- (B) The *Employer* wishes to appoint the Consultant to provide certain services outlined in the Department’s Service Description issued on 28th March 2023 and subsequent clarifications. The contract commences on **15 June 2023** and is expected to conclude on **14 June 2024**. The contract value shall be up to the value of **£120,000** excluding VAT. There is no expected extension to either the term or value of this piece of work.

(C) The Consultant has submitted a Proposal received 5th May 2023 in response to the Employer's Work Package Request Form in accordance with terms of the Framework Agreement. The Employer has examined the Consultant's said tender and subject to the provisions of this contract is willing to engage the Consultant to carry out those services in accordance with this contract.

NOW IT IS AGREED THAT:

1. In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions have the same meanings as set out in the NEC4 Professional Services Contract *Conditions of Contract*.
2. This contract shall mean this document and the following documents which are hereby incorporated into and shall comprise this contract:
 - (i) The NEC *Conditions of Contract* are the NEC4 Professional Services Contract dated June 2017;
 - (ii) The Contract Data Part One including, the Option Z clauses set out in the Contract Data Part One;
 - (iii) The Contract Data Part Two;
 - (iv) The terms of the Framework Agreement insofar as they relate to the provision of services;
 - (v) Your resource and pricing schedule under your reference "Table 1A/1B – Daily Rate for the proposed Supplier Resources", dated 5th May 2023 where the services will be priced on a per diem basis
 - (vi) Your signed COI declaration dated **2nd May 2023**.

3. The *Supplier* shall provide the *scope* of services (as set out in the Contract Data Part 1 and Service Description) in accordance with this contract.
4. Given the sensitive nature and the Specialist Technical Advisory resource required for this project over this period, should the named resource not be available the *Supplier* will:
 - notify DfT in writing immediately using the Change Control Form
 - provide suitably qualified and experienced resources, who will work to an equivalent standard
 - the *Supplier* will cover all costs of hand-over to the new resources including:
 - o making them available for hand-over meetings with the named resources
 - o only charging DfT for the new resources once they are fully up to speed and productive
5. The *Supplier* reaffirms that, under Section 14 of the Framework Agreement, the *Supplier* acknowledges and agrees that it does not have an interest in any matter where there is or is reasonably likely to be a conflict of interest with the Services and that (except as provided below) it shall not act for any person, organisation or company where there is or is reasonably likely to be a conflict of interest with the Services.
6. In consideration of the provision by the *Supplier* of the Services the *Employer* shall pay to the *Supplier* the amount due in accordance with this contract.
7. You will be informed of the PO for this contract in due course. Prior to issuing an invoice to the below address, a Schedule 10 application for payment must be sent to and approved by the Contract Manager. Invoices submitted to the Department **must also quote the PO number** and must be submitted as directed **in the PO to:**

**Accounts Payable
DfT Shared Service Arvato,
5 Sandringham Park
Swansea Vale
Swansea SA7 0EA
Email: Ssa.invoice@sharedservicesarvato.co.uk**

8. This contract supersedes and extinguishes any prior drafts, agreements, undertakings, representations, warranties and arrangements of any nature whatsoever in relation to this contract. No variation to this contract, after the date hereof, will be made except

with the written consent of the Parties provided that this is without prejudice to the *Employer's* rights to issue instructions in accordance with this contract.

9. Please acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this letter by signing and returning a copy to me and contact [REDACTED] to discuss arrangements for the mobilisation of this work package and who are the designated Client Service Manager for this work package.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have entered into the Agreement on the date written above.

Signed by:

[REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Position: **Commercial Relationship Manager**

On behalf of the Secretary State for Transport (*Employer*)

and

Signed by:

Name:

Position:

[REDACTED]

On behalf *Grant Thornton UK LLP (Supplier)*