RM3788 Wider Public Sector Framework - Lot 4 (Rail)

Supplier Prospectus

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Welcome to our prospectus for buyers of legal services under the Crown Commercial Service (CCS) RM3788 Framework - Lot 4 (Rail).

The summary information contained in this prospectus will give you an overview of our most relevant experience and individual points of contact for the areas of work under this lot. We hope you find it a useful introduction to our firm and how we can help your organisation.

Being appointed as a supplier to Lot 4 under this CCS and Government Legal Department Framework is key to Womble Bond Dickinson’s strategy and profile within the public arena and the transport industry - one of our key sectors.

We have many years’ experience advising local government and public sector organisations, quasi public sector organisations, rail operators, rail infrastructure organisations and private sector clients.

We understand the governance requirements that organisations must comply with and the challenges they face with constraints on budget and resource. We have large teams advising clients across the sector and understand how the public sector works.

We look forward to assisting your organisation to deliver its strategic objectives – please contact any member of our dedicated Crown Commercial Service team on 0345 415 5275 or ccsteam@wbd-uk.com for an initial conversation.

David Rewcastle
At a glance

**Multijurisdictional offer**
Services across all of our UK offices and access to the US and Europe

**WBD Advance**
Flexible solutions bringing together innovative technology and service delivery that complement our existing legal advice

**WBD Accelerate**
Supporting growth in the business community in partnership with Yena

Representing more than 100 public sector bodies and in addition more than 85 publicly traded companies in the UK

More than 120 partners and 540 lawyers in the UK

**A responsible business**

Investors in People Silver Standard
Award winning Apprenticeship Scheme
Gold Status in the Law Society Diversity and Inclusion Charter
Awarded the Planet Mark certification for our commitment to continuous improvement in sustainability

Raised over £675,000 for good causes since May 2013
Rail Transport Law

Why us?
We advise on rail regulation, including interpretation of the Railways Act 1993 and regulated agreements for access to rail infrastructure. We have extensive experience of working on rail passenger concession and franchise agreements, rail procurement law, rail competition law issues and rail legislation, regulations and standards. We also advise on Smartcard/electronic ticketing systems and Wi-Fi schemes.

Evidence of experience
• A passenger transport executive on the letting of a transport system concession.
• A transport company on its bids for franchises.
• A transport company on its successful bid for a franchise.
• A railway company on its Partnership bid.

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Rolling Stock

Why us?
Longstanding involvement in the UK rail industry gives us in depth expertise in rolling stock arrangements and a good understanding of current market practice. We have extensive experience in negotiating contracts for the procurement of new rolling stock in the UK, including manufacture and supply agreements, maintenance contracts, spare supply contracts and modification agreements as well as various depot projects.

Evidence of experience
• On the procurement of over 1,000 new rolling stock vehicles for a public transport company.
• On the procurement of new rolling stock vehicles for a transport company.
• On direct award franchise agreements.
• Train operator on rolling stock aspects of direct award mobilisations.

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Security Clearance
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Planning and Authorisation

Why us?
We have been involved in over 20 DCOs as well as orders under the Transport and Works Act and have a strong reputation in Compulsory Purchase Compensation Claims (promotion and opposition). We advise on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, Environmental Impact Assessments, transport schemes, planning obligations, infrastructure agreements, High Court challenges and Judicial Review.

Evidence of experience
- On a proposed new strategic rail freight interchange where a Property Bond has been proposed (in advance of any future statutory obligations arising) to provide reassurance to home owners concerned about property values.
- A rail infrastructure provider in successfully drafting and promoting a Planning Act Order.
- Petitioners on a railway along the whole route including petition submission to both Houses of Parliament and negotiation of settlement agreements.
- On a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (representing the UK’s largest third party funded rail project).

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Projects and Infrastructure

Why us?
Clients include Authorities, passenger transport executives, private companies and funders and clients in the secondary market (buyers and sellers of infrastructure assets and restructure/refinance projects). We have experience in PFI/PF2 projects, public/private outsourcing arrangements, large scale and long term public sector capital investment programmes and long carbon energy projects.

Evidence of experience
- A UK transport infrastructure owner on alliancing agreements.
- Railway contractors on the construction contracts for a station.
- Train operating companies on station, depot and other leases including related property aspects
- A passenger transport executive on the reinvigoration and extension of a transport system.
- On the UK’s largest third party funded rail project.
- On the redevelopment of an Airport Station.
- Various rail related Wi-Fi schemes, including on the installation and implementation of Wi-Fi on trains.
- Transport companies on the installation and implementation of Smart Ticketing.
- A railway operator on a £160m maintenance and upgrade project.

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