



**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AWARD**  
**Independent Safety Assessor Services**  
**Request for Qualifications No. HSR23-42**  
**June 17, 2024**

This Notice of Proposed Award identifies the top-ranking (most highly qualified) Offeror<sup>1</sup> approved by the California High-Speed Rail Authority's (Authority) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee for award of the Agreement.

The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Independent Safety Assessor Services was issued on March 11, 2024, and Addendum 1 was issued on April 9, 2024. The Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) were due on or before May 14, 2024, and the Authority received one SOQ in response to its RFQ for Independent Safety Assessor Services. An SOQ was submitted by the following Offeror:

1. The TRACS Team:  
The Offeror is comprised of the prime Offeror, TÜV Rheinland of North America, Inc. (a subsidiary of TÜV Rheinland), and subconsultants AuditSafe and CERTIFIER SA. There are 11 additional subconsultants on the Offeror Team, including Auriga Corporation, ClemTech LLC, Dispareo Security, Enspire Engineering Inc, Forcing Function LLC, K&J Safety and Security Consulting Services, Inc., Katin Engineering Consulting, Nobility Security and Maritime Solutions, LLC, Pacific Blue Engineering, LLC, Raul V. Bravo + Associates, Inc., and Soteria Company, LLC.

The Offeror was scored on its SOQ pursuant to the criteria set forth in the RFQ. The Offeror was invited to a Discussion with the Authority and that Offeror was scored on its Discussion using the criteria in the RFQ. Final scores were computed from weighted combinations of SOQ and Discussion scores (100 points possible), in accordance with the RFQ. The Offeror's ranking is shown below, with the highest final score shown as Rank 1.

<b>Offeror</b>	<b>Total Weighted SOQ Score</b>	<b>Total Weighted Discussion Score</b>	<b>Final Score</b>	<b>Rank</b>
The TRACS Team	56.46	30.8	87.26	1

In accordance with the evaluation and scoring of the SOQ and Discussion, both conducted pursuant to the criteria set forth in the RFQ by the Authority's Evaluation and Selection Committee, the top-ranked Offeror (i.e., Offeror with the highest final score) approved by the CEO (or designee) is the TRACS Team.

<sup>1</sup> If not otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms are defined in the RFQ.

This Notice of Proposed Award is being posted to the Authority's website and in the Authority's Sacramento office, in accordance with Section 6.6 of the RFQ. A copy of this notice is also being sent directly to each Offeror.

Questions should be directed to the Authority's Designated Point of Contact for the RFQ, Kristal McCain, as follows: ISARail@hsr.ca.gov or (916) 324-1541.