

# AmcoGiffen wins major Network Rail contracts for Wales and Western Region

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AmcoGiffen is delighted to confirm the award of Network Rail's Wales & Western CP7, Wales structures framework to AmcoGiffen, and Wales & Western CP7, electrification and plant framework to ARQ, a partnership which comprises AmcoGiffen and our sister companies, QTS Group and Rail Electrification Ltd (REL).

The contracts form part of six with Network Rail Wales & Western aiming to deliver an intensive essential renewal programme of works from 2024 to 2029 (Control Period 7) with the opportunity to extend to a maximum of eight years.

The framework awards follow strategic collaboration with design partners AECOM, Arcadis, Arup and Atkins throughout the procurement process.

The structures framework provides AmcoGiffen with an opportunity to strengthen its existing and

longstanding partnership with Network Rail and its supply chain in Wales & Western. This will be delivered together with design partners Arup and Arcadis.

The electrification and plant framework will allow AmcoGiffen to expand on the scope of services that it currently provides in the region through the ARQ partnership which brings together AmcoGiffen and sister companies REL and QTS. All three organisations work together as a unified family of companies, each providing their own distinctive skills to deliver the broad scope of overhead line, electrical and plant rail systems bringing unique efficiencies and innovation to Network Rail working in conjunction with AECOM and Atkins.

The six contracts have been packaged together to help Network Rail and its suppliers work collaboratively to achieve efficiencies through optimising time and resources, creating continuous improvement and consistency, and providing a platform for innovation. This approach allows Network Rail to work with its suppliers over a longer term generating a pipeline of work that provides AmcoGiffen with an opportunity to work proactively with its design partners and its local and national supply chain, developing better solutions and outcomes for all.

John Booth, Managing Director, AmcoGiffen said: “The award of these frameworks enables the strengthening of our longstanding partnership with Network Rail in Wales & Western and our trusted supply chain partners. Our range of capabilities, directly employed resource and detailed regional knowledge provides confidence for all our stakeholders, supporting our business goals and our ability to generate sustainable growth.

“We look forward to working together to deliver added value in the communities where we live and work, creating local supply chain spend, and providing apprenticeships, trainee programmes, and employment opportunities while enhancing passenger experience and freight service across the region.”

Karl Hatala, Regional Rail Lead for Wales & Western at AECOM said: “We look forward to working collaboratively with AmcoGiffen on the Wales & Western Electrification and Plant lot for CP7. We’ll use our combined expertise to develop and design solutions to maintain and renew the region’s infrastructure, providing a safe, efficient and reliable railway for passengers and freight customers. Our strategic partnership will support Network Rail’s drive to deliver faster and more efficient projects using principles such as PACE and MVP, ultimately achieving greater value for money for the public purse.”

Tristan Ralph, Business Development Director, Rail, Arcadis said; “Arcadis was delighted to work alongside AmcoGiffen as a strategic partner throughout the CP7 tender process and we are extremely pleased that this culminated with securing Lot 2 of the B&C framework. We are excited to implement the innovative, lean and efficient delivery approach proposed for the framework and look forward to working alongside AmcoGiffen and Arup to deliver outstanding results for Network Rail and its stakeholders.”

Chris Woodman, Project Director, Arup commented; “Arup are delighted to have secured a place on the CP7 framework and look forward to a successful partnership with Network Rail, AmcoGiffen, Arcadis and the wider team. We aim to bring sustainable and innovative solutions to efficiently maintain and renew the railway, making the network safer and providing best value to customers.”

Collette Carrol, Rail Market Director, Atkins; “This is a great opportunity for Atkins to work in full collaboration with our partners AmcoGiffen and AECOM to make a real difference in efficient, safe delivery, while offering employment and learning opportunities to communities in the Wales and Western region.”

Network Rail in Wales and Western is committed to working with suppliers to find new ways of working in line with the principles of the SPEED approach to project delivery. Firmly focusing on the right solutions at the right cost, delivering faster and more efficiently to deliver better outcomes for passengers, freight and funders.