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## **NEPO303 Meter Operator**

Association of North East Councils Ltd trading as NEPO

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02ab97

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**NUTS code**

UKC - North East (England)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

NEPO303 Meter Operator

Reference number

NEPO303

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 65500000 - Meter reading service

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NEPO seeks to procure a framework agreement for Meter Operator. The purpose of this PIN is to provide prior information to the market on the intentions of NEPO to procure such a framework agreement. This notice also provides an open invite to market consultation meetings.

NEPO intend to hold market consultation meetings with suppliers prior to this procurement project. The market consultation meetings are advertised openly using this notice. Meetings are limited to a practical number and will be secured on a first come, first served basis by visiting <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nepo303-meter-operator-market-engagement-tickets-152329715279> . Should there be high levels of interest, NEPO may increase the amount of appointments. There will be a waiting list registration on the EventBrite page.

Further information regarding the meetings is included in this link. Attendance at market consultation is optional and attendance does not provide a supplier an advantage in any manner. Attendance does not constitute a supplier's intention to tender.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

NEPO seeks to procure a framework agreement for the NEPO303 Meter Operator.

The Framework Agreement will cover the provision of Half Hourly (HH) Meter Operator Services including the supply of meters, registration of meters, maintenance of meters and associated communications requirements.

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

21 July 2021

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

NEPO is a central purchasing body as defined in the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (PCR15). The agreement will be available for use by all NEPO Members. A list of member organisations is available in the About section of the NEPO website at: [www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

This agreement will also be made available to all current and future NEPO associate members. Current associate members are listed in the associate member section of the NEPO website at: [www.nepo.org/associate-membership/list](http://www.nepo.org/associate-membership/list)

NEPO intends to make the resulting agreement available for use by all contracting authorities throughout all administrative regions of the UK (as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015) including but not limited to Government Departments and their agencies, non-departmental public bodies, central government, NHS bodies, local authorities, emergency services, coastguard emergency services, educational establishments, registered social landlords and registered charities who have a need to purchase the above services.

Please see the following websites for further details:

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/Localcouncils/index.htm>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

<https://www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officially-recognised/recognised-bodies>

<http://www.schoolswebdirectory.co.uk/localauthorities.php>

<http://www.ukschoolsdirectory.net>

<https://www.gov.uk/find-school-in-england>

<https://education.gov.scot/ParentZone>

<http://hwb.wales.gov.uk/>

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-academies-and-academy-projects-in-development>

<http://unistats.direct.gov.uk/institutions/>

<http://www.hefce.ac.uk/workprovide/unicoll/heis/>

<http://www.hefce.ac.uk/workprovide/unicoll/fecs/>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AcuteTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/nhswalesaboutus/structure>

<http://www.scottishambulance.com/TheService/organised.aspx>

<http://www.hscni.net/index.php?link=trusts>

<http://www.scottishambulance.com/AboutUs/HowWeOrganised.aspx>

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/A-ZOfCentralGovernment/index.htm>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

<http://www.northernireland.gov.uk/gov.htm>

<http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/local-councils-in-northern-ireland>

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2012/02/2421/1>

<https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/contact>

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/articles/list-public-bodies-which-ni-public-procurementpolicy-applies>

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/>

<https://www.police.uk/forces/>

<http://www.police-information.co.uk/index.html>

<http://www.psnipolice.uk/index.htm>

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/maritime-and-coastguard-agency>

<http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs>

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/archive/law-order/Police/PoliceServiceofScotland>

<http://www.fire.org.uk/fire-brigades.html>

<http://www.nifrs.org/areas-districts/>

<http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-area.aspx>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-registered-providers-of-socialhousing>

<http://directory.scottishhousingregulator.gov.uk/pages/default.aspx>

<https://gov.wales/topics/housing-and-regeneration/publications/registered-sociallandlords-in-wales/?lang=en>

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/housing-associations>

[http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/About\\_us/Regulation/Registering\\_charities\\_index.aspx](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/About_us/Regulation/Registering_charities_index.aspx)

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/>

<https://idea.org.uk/> <http://apps.charitycommission.gov.uk/Showcharity/RegisterOfCharities/registerhomepage.aspx>

[http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/Search/search\\_Auth.aspx](http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/Search/search_Auth.aspx)

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/newsroom/factsandfigures/housingplanning1/facts/socialhousing/?id=1822644>

A complete list of permissible users is shown on the NEPO website below:

<https://www.nepo.org/associate-membership/permissible-users>

Organisations wishing to access the NEPO agreement will be required to register as a NEPO Associate Member in the first instance.

Further information can be found at: [www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)