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## FW Services - Telecoms Services

SSE SERVICES PLC

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## Scope

## Description

SSE Services Plc is initiating a regulated tender to establish a Telecommunications Multi-Lot Framework. This framework will create a dedicated pool of specialist providers to support the successful delivery of the T3 programme, as well as ongoing Business-As-Usual (BAU) requirements such as capacity augmentation and backfill. The aim is to ensure robust, reliable, and scalable telecoms support across Transmission, Distribution, and Renewables business units.

## Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

## Total value (estimated)

- £360,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 4 January 2027 to 3 January 2035
- 8 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 50330000 - Maintenance services of telecommunications equipment
- 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

### **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Lot 1. Hardware Supply**

### **Description**

Procurement of telecom networks.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £360,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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### **Lot 2. Specialist Design - This lot covers advanced design and specialist consultancy services that extend beyond in-house capabilities.**

#### **Description**

- Comprehensive microwave radio engineering survey and design.
- In-depth Openreach survey and network design.
- Support for telecoms tasks not covered internally.
- Direct engagement between Telco and external vendors (e.g. Cisco, others).
- Facilitation of supplier relationships and coordination.
- Design support for substation telecommunications infrastructure.
- Proof-of-concept development involving new hardware and service models.
- Vendor Agnostic Design Solutions.

## **Lot value (estimated)**

- £360,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

## **Same for all lots**

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## **Lot 3. Hardware & Construction - This lot focuses on procurement and physical deployment of telecommunications hardware and infrastructure.**

### **Description**

- Supply of telecommunications hardware.
- Provision of telecoms services and components.
- Greenfield construction of substation telecom systems.
- Brownfield upgrade and integration of existing substation telecom systems.

## **Lot value (estimated)**

- £360,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

## **Same for all lots**

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## **Framework**

### **Open framework scheme end date (estimated)**

3 January 2035

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

Unlimited

### **Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers**

0%

### **Framework operation description**

Framework - Purchase via call off contracts

### **Award method when using the framework**

Either with or without competition

### **Contracting authorities that may use the framework**

Establishing party only

## **Submission**

### **Submission type**

Requests to participate

### **Deadline for requests to participate**

2 March 2026, 5:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

All suppliers should register their interest via Jaggaer Source to Contract system, where they will also find the required documentation to complete.

<https://www.sse.com/potential-suppliers/>

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

1 December 2026

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## Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Technical / Cyber Security	Quality	100%

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## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

### Competitive flexible procedure description

PQQ to be issued -2 step procedure under PA23 utilising Jaggaer / Find a tender. Open Framework to be utilised. Following PQQ evaluation, down selection will be made to move to ITT stage.

Awards will be made per lot. Total of 3 available lots.

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## Contracting authority

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