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Planning

Low Carbon Heat Supply

University of Exeter

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Scope

Reference

UOE/2024/009/DB

Description

The University is undertaking Pre Market Engagement for a Low Carbon Heat supply to supply its University estate in Exeter. The Heat Supply should be low carbon already, but also have a route to deliver zero carbon heat in the future. The scope of heat load is up to c. 25GWh per annum and peak load of up to c.15MW across up to 90 buildings.

Total value (estimated)

- £75,000,000 excluding VAT
- £90,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 March 2026 to 28 March 2036
- 10 years, 27 days

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 09323000 - District heating
- 09300000 - Electricity, heating, solar and nuclear energy
- 45232141 - Heating works
- 45232142 - Heat-transfer station construction work
- 45251250 - District-heating plant construction work

Contract locations

- UKK43 - Devon CC

Engagement

Engagement deadline

29 April 2025

Engagement process description

Providers are invited to provide a short (max 6 sides of A4) submission answering the University's PME questions which can be downloaded from the University's eTendering portal CTM here <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK> quote ID 98013 or UOE/2024/009/DB. Responses should be submitted by the 28th April 2025. The University may at its discretion ask further questions of providers that provide a response. This process does not form part of any formal tender procedure which may or may not follow, and no bidders shall be disadvantaged by either taking part or not taking part in this process.

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

16 May 2025

Contracting authority

University of Exeter

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