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Planning

Water Disinfection

United Utilities Water Limited

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Scope

Reference

PRO004968

Description

We are inviting suppliers to share information on alternative wastewater disinfection technologies. This notice is for market engagement only. It will not necessarily lead to procurement. Across the UK there are more than 600 designated bathing waters, and several shellfish protected areas. These require effective wastewater disinfection to protect both the environment and public health. At present, only ultraviolet treatment and membrane filtration are formally recognised. While proven, both approaches bring challenges: high energy use, high costs, and limited suitability for smaller or rural treatment works. We want to understand what other solutions exist in the market, both in the UK and internationally. This will help us build a clearer picture of what options could be available, what evidence already exists, and where there may be opportunities for collaboration. The insight we gather may also support future funding bids and trial projects. Alongside this notice we will be linking with industry experts and national research projects to make sure there is no duplication and to draw on existing knowledge.

Total value (estimated)

- £100,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 31 December 2025
- 1 month

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90420000 - Sewage treatment services
- 24962000 - Water-treatment chemicals
- 39330000 - Disinfection equipment
- 42912300 - Machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water
- 42912310 - Water filtration apparatus
- 42912330 - Water-purifying apparatus
- 90900000 - Cleaning and sanitation services

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)

Engagement

Engagement deadline

17 October 2025

Engagement process description

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=98235&B=

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

10 November 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Contracting authority

United Utilities Water Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVVB-5589-BWHX

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