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Contract

NEPO302 Supply of Gas

THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH EAST COUNCILS LIMITED

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKC - North East (England)

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nepo.org

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

NEPO302 Supply of Gas

Reference number

NEPO302

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 09000000 - Petroleum products, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

NEPO seeks to procure a Framework Agreement for the Supply of Gas. The current NEPO302 Gas Framework will end 31st March 2026.

The Framework Agreement will include NEPO trading gas on a fully flexible basis from the wholesale market and the subsequent supply of gas to the NEPO portfolio. The Framework Agreement shall also include a Meter Asset Manager service and subsequent Automatic Meter Reading services.

The Framework Agreement will include provisions for assisting Contracting Authorities to reduce gas consumption and support their energy efficiency aims.

The Framework Agreement currently consists of approximately 27 million therms, per annum, across 3,884 sites.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £420,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09000000 - Petroleum products, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy
- 65000000 - Public utilities

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NEPO are using a two-stage Competitive Procedure with Negotiation for the procurement of this Framework. The first stage is a Selection Questionnaire which will be used to shortlist suppliers. Shortlisted suppliers will then be invited to Tender.

The Framework Agreement will be a single supplier and single lot solution. NEPO may also wish to enter into negotiations with tenderers in line with the requirements of the Competition with Negotiation Procedure. NEPO also reserve the right not to enter into negotiations and award the Framework Agreement on the basis of initial tender. The most economically advantageous tenderer will be awarded the Framework Agreement.

NEPO does not give any guarantee and/or warrant the actual value of the services (if any) which will be placed with the successful supplier by any Contracting Authority using the Framework Agreement pursuant to this process and accepts no liability thereof.

In accordance with the Framework Agreement, each Contracting Authority will enter into a call-off contract. The call-off contract is to be entered into by both the Contracting Authority and successful supplier and will be based on the terms and conditions of the Framework Agreement.

The opportunity can be accessed via the NEPO eTender system (Open). Suppliers wishing to be considered for this Framework Agreement must register their expression of interest and submit the selection questionnaire and tender response through the Open eTendering System. If not already registered, suppliers should register on the Open eTendering System at <https://www.open-uk.org/> (<https://www.open-uk.org/>)

Selection Questionnaire and Tender responses must be submitted using the link above. Selection Questionnaire and Tender responses submitted via postal or email methods will not be accepted.

If you need technical assistance from the Open Support team, this can be requested via open.support@nepo.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Open is accessible 24/7 however, technical support is available Monday - Thursday 8:30 - 5pm and Friday 8:30 - 4.30pm. For guidance on how to submit your response through Open, please visit

<https://www.openhub.org/training> to access the available Training Guides.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Price - Weighting: 30%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 September 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Corona Energy

Watford

WD18 8YA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

03241002

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £420,000,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NEPO

Northern Design Centre, Abbots Hill, Baltic Business Quarter

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