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Planning

PRO005005-Services-Framework-Lithium Trace Testing

United Utilities Water Limited

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Scope

Reference

PRO005005-Lithium Trace Testing

Description

United Utilities (UU) require non-intrusive tank capacity and sediment assessment of Anaerobic Digesters using Lithium chloride as a trace element to comply with Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016 implementing the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED). Analysis could be completed on any of UU's Anaerobic Digestion facilities, located in the North West of England. Testing is required periodically (5 years) to comply with regulation. Testing is likely to be limited to assets that are to be retained into AMP 9, so will not be required on all UU anaerobic digesters. Monitoring equipment, techniques, personnel and organisations shall have either MCERTS certification or MCERTS accreditation (as appropriate). An accompanying report must be issued detailing the methodology and full results of the assessment. The report should detail the digester active volume, hydraulic retention time, evidence of short circuiting and mixing efficiency using charts where appropriate. Those undertaking Lithium Trace Testing surveys must liaise with UU Bioresource Services team to arrange visits in

aligned to a pre agreed schedule as per UU's third party scheduling procedure.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £450,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2031
- Possible extension to 1 April 2036
- 10 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

12 December 2025

Engagement process description

If you have experience in this area please could you provide at a minimum the following information and submit to the United Utilities AMP8Procurements@uuplc.co.uk Mailbox -

- Company Name
- Contact details, including location telephone and e-mail address, main point of contact and position in Company

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

6 January 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Contracting authority

United Utilities Water Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVVB-5589-BWHX

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