ProcurePublic

User Guide

Meters, Billing, District Heating Framework 2024

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Welcome to Procure Public

We empower public sector organisations to procure responsibly and efficiently.

With over 90 frameworks across two brands, we bring together an extensive network of 300 trusted, pre-qualified partners to make procurement easy.

We have a highly-experienced team of asset managers and an excellent reputation for delivering sustainable procurement partnerships to a wide range of sectors; from charities and local authorities, to housing associations and emergency services.

Our agreements are easy to use, fully compliant and significantly reduce the time and resource it takes to find the supplier you need.

Procurement can be a daunting, lengthy and resource-intensive process and it is particularly important for public sector organisations to be able to procure efficiently and responsibly.

Behind our work sits a passion and determination to empower public sector organisations to focus on their core work by making procurement easy, removing the need for a long-winded procurement processes.

We're backed by Aster Group, which gives us a powerful combination of economies of scale and social purpose.

We do the hard work for you, so you can focus on what matters.

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Reference: 2024/S 000-025346

Framework Summary

This framework provides access to a range of expert suppliers offering services in metering, billing, and district heating management, ensuring compliance with UK regulations and enhancing operational efficiency.

The suppliers on ProcurePublic's Meters, Billing, and District Heating Framework offer a comprehensive suite of services, including:

- Installation and maintenance of heat meters for district heating systems
- Accurate and transparent billing services based on actual energy usage
- Design, installation, and management of district heating networks
- Energy efficiency assessments and improvements for district heating systems
- Compliance auditing and reporting for metering and billing practices
- Customer service and support for residents connected to district heating systems

Framework Appointees

1. Switch2 Energy Limited
2. Vital Energi Utilities Limited
3. Sycous Limited

Key Facts

Contract Notice:	2024/S 000-020675
Award Notice:	2024/S 000-025346
Valid until:	2nd September 2028
Capacity:	£50,000,000.00
Nuts Code:	UK
Access Fee:	Nil

Common Procurement Vocabulary Code

45333000 : Gas-fitting installation work
45331000 : Heating, ventilation and air-conditioning installation work
50000000 : Repair and maintenance services
38550000 : Meters
71600000 : Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
09323000 : District heating

*Additional codes can be found on the website

Award Criteria*

Quality 60% | Cost 40%

*A 10+/- deviation for mini tenders is permitted

How to use this Framework

There are two ways to use the framework; mini-competition or direct selection.

Direct Selection

Regulation 33 | Framework clause 5.2.1

With the direct selection method, you may select the appointee ranked number 1, or any appointee through one of the following criteria:

- An existing relationship with an appointee
- Where the call off has substantial similarities to a previous project the appointee was involved with.
- For reasons of urgency it is not reasonably practicable to award the call off contract by way of a mini-competition.
- Capability criteria determining that only one framework appointee is capable of carrying out the call off contract.

Mini Competition

Regulation 33 | Framework clause 5.3

The mini-competition method lets you expand beyond the framework's original specification to meet your specific requirements. All the contractors on the relevant lot are invited to tender (where capable). This process typically takes 2-4 weeks.

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Next Steps

Contact us or alternatively follow the steps below to call off through our website. The ProcurePublic procurement team will be happy to help answer any further questions or assist with the mini-competition if required.

support@procurepublic.co.uk or on 0333 050 3192

ProcurePublic utilises the latest digital technology to simplify the call off process to 4-steps, allowing you access to our framework within minutes. To view these documents please visit the framework page and scroll towards the bottom. The programme works on devices with a wide screen.

1 Confidentiality Agreement

Clients will need to complete the fields prompted within the form, to obtain the password for Steps 2, 3.

2 Specification

Step 2 contains the framework specification and is password protected. (Please complete step 1 to receive the password).

3 Cost Model / Bid Submission

Step 3 contains the bid submission of the direct selection call off framework appointee. (Please complete step 1 to receive the password).

4 Joining Agreement

This form contains the joining agreement allowing the client access to our framework. Clients are at liberty to choose the standard terms and conditions as found in Step 4 or their own. For audit purposes ProcurePublic will need to retain a copy of the form in order for the contract to be effective.

Framework Benefits

There are a number of potential benefits that can be achieved from using this framework, namely:

- Economies of Scale
- Fully compliant with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 - saving you valuable time and resources with greatly reduced procurement timescales.
- There is no need to advertise the requirements, and there are no minimum time periods within the process to which you must adhere.
- Simple Tendering Process - Mini competition can be drawn up specifically to client needs.
- Both Direct Selection or Mini Competition procedures are available to ensure that projects can get underway quickly and efficiently.
- Fully approved supplier network - assessed for their operational, financial, technical, professional conformance and capabilities.
- Pre-agreed terms and conditions are embedded into the Framework agreement.
- Established relationship with a selection of suppliers delivers improved service and responsiveness.
- Dedicated central point of contact.
- Support throughout the lifetime of your contract

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About Procure Public

With our head office in London and in association with the Aster Group, ProcurePublic is a leading provider of frameworks operating throughout the United Kingdom. Modern, forward-thinking and our mission is clear. We strive to provide the very highest quality service by promoting honest and dependable suppliers for the public sector.

Clients undertake a range of services from £10,000 to £30m and a selection of these can be viewed in our 'who we work with' section. Our clients and suppliers trust in our knowledge, experience and technical expertise. Administering fast and efficient procurement which delivers social and added value gains.

> Our mission is to promote honest and dependable suppliers for the public sector.

2015
Year Established

90+
Frameworks

200+
Suppliers

Permissible Users

Our Nationwide frameworks are accessible by all of the 4896 registered contracting authorities including Housing Associations, ALMOs, Transport Organisations, Utility Providers, Local Authorities, Charities, Universities, Blue Light Services and Health Organisations, across the United Kingdom. To assist with your enquiry we have designed an online checker tool to confirm your organisations' eligibility as listed through The Office of National Statistics (ONS) and as stated in our Contract Notices. The latest ONS publication is July'19. Please refer to our website to use the tool.

Your Institution Name CHECK

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What We Do

Delivering PCR compliant projects can be challenging and time-consuming. At ProcurePublic we aim to make it quicker, simpler and more effective.

Organisations across the UK are taking advantage of our unique approach to procurement, from social housing providers and education bodies to local authorities and blue light services.

Our range of over 90 Frameworks connects you with service providers of all sizes.

Frameworks are generally free to access, easy to use and fully compliant with all UK and EU procurement law.

This user guide provides all the information you need to get started, including how you can get in touch with our team.

What sets us apart?

With over 40 years of experience in procurement, we understand your challenges and work to deliver the most value possible from your projects.

1. We support our service providers

When it comes to calling-off, we work closely with our framework appointees to ensure an efficient project commencement. Our priority is to actively promote framework appointees as we believe they are crucial to successful contracts.

2. Simplicity

Our unique 4 step calling off process is simple and straightforward.

3. End-to-end support

We will explore your businesses requirements with a dedicated team member via online meetings. Our team are always available to offer ongoing support for the entirety of the contract.

Appointee Details

Contractor Name	Registered Address	Company Number	Lot Rank
Switch2 Energy Limited	The Waterfront Salts Mill Road, BD17 7EZ	02409803	1
Vital Energi Utilities Limited	Century House, Roman Road, Blackburn, BB1 2LD	04050190	2
Sycous Limited	New York House, 1 Harper Street, Leeds, LS2 7EA	08836039	3
Nottingham City Council	Financial Control & Tax Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG, Nottinghamshire	106091248	4
Insite Energy Limited	Studio 4, Stuart House, Peterborough, PE1 5DD	07073730	5