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#### Invitation to Tender Launch Notification: Long-term 2029 Tender, Network Services

Following the launch of the Long-term 2029 Expression of Interest (EOI) window, and the completion of the EOI Consultation, NESO are launching the Invitation to Tender (ITT) for the Long-term 2029 tender on the Ariba platform. Only those who formally expressed an interest, and were successful at EOI stage, are being invited to the ITT stage.

### **Publication of ITT Documents**

The full ITT pack has been published on Ariba and is available to registered bidders only. In parallel, NESO are making a portion of the ITT pack available on the Long-term 2029 webpage for transparency purposes. Please refer to the table below for more details. Registered bidders should refer to the full ITT pack on the Ariba platform in the first instance.

Document	Overview
LT2029 Instructions	This document sets out key information and rules in relation to the
to Tenderers	Long-term 2029 tender. This should be read in conjunction with the
	Contract Award Criteria in particular. The version of this document
	provided in this ITT pack is an updated version document. This
	document will be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 Contract	This document sets out the technical and economic assessment
Award Criteria	methodology that NESO will follow in the assessment of Tender
	Submissions and Network Owner options for each service being
	procured. This will be carried out to identify the most economically
	efficient solution or combination of solutions to meet the requirements
	for each service. Commercial bidders and Network Owners should take
	time to review this document in detail to understand how submissions





	are going to be assessed. The version of this document provided in this
	ITT pack is an updated version of the document.
	This document will be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 Query Log	This document should be used by Bidders to submit tender queries to
	NESO through the Ariba Message Board for the duration of the tender
	window. Please refer to the Instructions to Tenderers for more
	information on the query process. This document has only been made
	available to registered bidders on the Ariba platform
LT2029 Eligibility	This document sets out the eligibility criteria for this Long-term 2029
Criteria	tender. This document will be published on both Ariba and the NESO
	website.
LT2029 Stability	The stability technical specification outlines the technical performance
Technical	requirements for the stability service, and service-specific eligibility
Specification	criteria. The specification is written on a technology-neutral basis to
	ensure that a variety of technology types can participate in the ITT. The
	version provided in this ITT pack is an updated version of the stability
	technical specification published following the EOI. This document will
	be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 Stability	This document details the acceptable substations and effectiveness
Effectiveness	factors for each region of need for the stability requirements as part of
Tables	this tender. The version provided in this ITT pack is an updated version of
	the stability effectiveness tables published following the EOI. This
	document will be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 Stability	This document sets out the feasibility studies that must be completed
Feasibility Study	as part of a tender submission for the stability service. This document
Requirements	was not published at EOI stage and is additional information for the ITT
1 1	Stage. This document has only been made available to registered
	bidders on the Ariba platform.
LT2029 Voltage	The voltage technical specification outlines the technical performance
Technical	requirements for the voltage service, and service-specific eligibility
Specification	criteria. The specification is written on a technology-neutral basis to
	ensure that a variety of technology types can participate in the ITT. The
	version provided in this ITT pack is an updated version of the voltage
	technical specification published following the EOI. This document will
	be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 Voltage	This document details the acceptable substations and effectiveness
Effectiveness Sheet	factors for each location of need for the voltage requirements as part of
	this tender. The version provided in this ITT pack is an updated version of
	the voltage effectiveness sheet published following the EOI. This
	document will be published on both Ariba and the NESO website.





LT2029 Restoration	The restoration technical specification outlines the technical
Technical	performance requirements for both the Anchor and Top Up restoration
Specification	service, and service-specific eligibility criteria. The specification is
	written on a technology-neutral basis to ensure that a variety of
	technology types can participate in the ITT. This document will be
	published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 ESR	This document sets out the feasibility study questions that must be
Feasibility Study	completed as part of a tender submission for the restoration service.
Requirements	This document was not published at EOI stage and is additional
	information for the ITT Stage. This document has only been made
	available to registered bidders on the Ariba platform.
LT2029 Connections	This document details the connections requirements for the Long-term
Approach	2029 tender. The version of this document provided in this ITT pack is an
	updated version following the EOI stage. This document will be
	published on both Ariba and the NESO website.
LT2029 NGET Non-	This document contains guidance for any Tenderers who wish to use
Operational Land	NGET non-operational land. This document has been agreed in
Information	collaboration with NGET. This document was not published at EOI stage
	and has only been made available to registered bidders on the Ariba
	platform.
LT2029 Contract	We have provided a zip-file which includes various documents.
Terms & Conditions	Together these documents make up the Long-term 2029 Services
	Agreement.
	For ease of navigation, for the purpose of the ITT some of the schedules
	are provided as separate documents. At contract award stage, the
	documents will be combined to create one central contract document.
	At ITT stage NESO will also be publishing draft versions of some forms of
	the Acceptable Security.
	These documents were not published at the EOI stage. These
	documents have only been made available to registered bidders on the
	Ariba platform.
LT2029 Payment	NESO have provided an Excel document that sets out an illustrative
Calculator	calculator tool, allowing the market to test how the payment
	mechanism in the contract will apply. This document was not published
	at EOI stage and has only been made available to registered bidders on
	the Ariba platform.
LT2029 Submission	Registered bidders are asked to complete various submission
Documents (Market	proformas as part of this ITT to detail their technical capability and
participants only)	commercial offering. These documents have only been made available
	to registered bidders on the Ariba platform.





LT2029 Network
Owner Submission
Proforma
(Network Owners
only)

Network Owners are asked to complete this excel proforma when returning any options for consideration by NESO as part of the assessment process.

This document has only been made available to Network Owners.

### **Next Steps**

Following the tender submission deadline, the received Tender Submissions and Network Owner options will be assessed in accordance with the Contract Award Criteria. Upon completion of this assessment, the successful solutions will be identified, and the outcome of this ITT will be communicated to the Long-term 2029 participants in the first instance before publishing tender results to wider industry. The information provided to wider industry will be at an appropriate level to maintain confidentiality of any commercially sensitive information.

Yours sincerely

**NESO Procurement Team**