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The Supply of Natural Gas and Associated Services

Framework Agreement



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About YPO

YPO provides procurement solutions for public sector organisations to set up or renew contracts for a widerange of services.

Established in 1974 by a group of 13 local authorities, we're one of the UK's largest public sector buying organisation and we're still 100% publicly owned today. We work closely with our suppliers and collaborate with other public sector buying organisations to achieve efficiencies and value for money, returning all our profits back into the heart of the public sector.

Our team of qualified procurement professionals can offer advice, guidance and expertise on procurement, as well as regular engagement and communication to make sure your objectives are achieved.

Overview

Start date

1 April 2025

Expiry date

31 March 2029

Extension(s) (if applicable)

None

Contracting authority (CA) call-off period

CA's can specify a contract period, based on the term and contract type that will best suit their requirements. YPO generally recommend a call-off period of no longer than 4 years.

Contract notice reference number

2024/S 000-015001

Potential maximum value

£250,000,000 - 650,000,000

Rebate

Please contact the team at energy@ypo.co.uk

Geographical location(s)

National

Specification, Overview and Lot Structure

YPO has a comprehensive range of energy supply contracts awarded through a competitive tender process, meaning you can come direct to us and be sure your new gas contract is fully compliant with all public sector procurement regulations.

We know that securing energy contracts can be a complex and difficult process, but we are here to help you. We offer a range of contract types and lengths that offer great value.

Through our awarded supplier, Corona Energy our framework provides you with a direct route to market via direct award

Lot	Description	Method of Awarding
1	Framework agreement for gas firm supplied through the national grid	Direct award

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Benefits of using the framework

YPO’s framework agreements are established to allow customers to purchase goods, works or services from suppliers/providers via either direct award or further competition.

Benefits of using the framework agreement:

- Ensures full compliance with Public Contracts Regulation.
- A named key account manager at the supplier to take ownership of issues and provide help, guidance, and training.
- Dedicated customer support team and credit controller. There are clear escalation points, all the way up to CEO if the service is not meeting the customers’ requirements.
- Query management through a range of formats - call, emails, online portal, and live chat. Query reports are also available to customers.
- Monthly supplier relationship management meetings between YPO and Corona to go through performance, billing and credit issues, complaints and queries, SLAs and KPIs to ensure that any issues are identified and resolved, and the contract runs smoothly.
- Low to medium risk purchasing strategies, include purchase in advance (PIA) and purchase within period (PWP) where some of the volume is left to be purchased within the supply period.
- Access to “My Corona” web portal. This will show portfolio, billing, and consumption information. You can also submit meter readings and queries through the Portal, as well as having access to a live chat. There is also a range of reports that can be downloaded. New features are being developed to support customers further including compatibility with handheld devices and procurement budget reporting.

- A green energy and carbon offsetting product, which will help support customers in meeting their net zero targets.
- Fully configurable billing groups to ensure that bills are issued and managed exactly as customers require; consolidated or site level billing.
- Robust processes in place to ensure that an accurate bill is produced in a reasonable time.
- Installation of automated smart meter devices if the customer requires.
- Support with customer achieving their net zero targets.



Suppliers/Providers

Lot	Suppliers/Providers
1	<p>Corona Energy</p> <p>Contact details: Through the YPO Gas 1187 framework, the framework offers a direct award route to market with Corona Energy.</p> <p>If you would like to discuss your gas supplies directly with us, please contact us at: energy@ypo.co.uk and a member of our energy procurement team will be more than happy to assist and guide you.</p>

Geographical coverage

The following table illustrates the suppliers/providers included on the framework (in alphabetical order, they are not ranked in any way) and the geographical areas they are able to service under the scope of this framework.

	Suppliers Name	Suppliers Name	Suppliers Name	Suppliers Name
National coverage	Corona Energy			



How to award/call-off from the Framework

To access the framework agreement, customers should complete and return the Customer Access Agreement.

Through the YPO Gas 1187 framework, the framework offers a direct award route to market with Corona Energy.

As there is only one supplier awarded under the framework, we have put in place an approved agreement with them, which means a straightforward procurement process for you.

If you would like to discuss your gas supplies directly with us, please contact: energy@ypo.co.uk and a member of our energy procurement team will be more than happy to assist and guide you.

Terms and conditions

Suppliers awarded to the framework agreement have agreed to and signed YPO's standard Terms and Conditions. These can be amended by the CA and supplier by mutual agreement to include additional terms to supplement the standard Terms and Conditions. A variation form is included in the standard Terms and Conditions document to allow customers and suppliers to amend any terms if required.

Contact information

For further information or to discuss individual requirements, please use the contact details below:

The YPO energy procurement team is always here to help. If you would like to discuss anything in greater length, have any questions regarding any of the information above or would simply like some guidance, please contact us at: energy@ypo.co.uk and one of the team would be more than happy to assist.

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