

To Tenderers of the B6 Constraint
Management Pathfinder 2024/25

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Dear Industry Colleagues,

National Grid Electricity System Operator (ESO) are today launching the Invitation to Tender (ITT) for the B6 Constraint Management Pathfinder (CMP) 2024/25 following on from the service's Expression of Interest (EOI) process, dating from Monday 28th March 2022 to Friday 22nd April 2022 and the conclusion of the Feasibility Stage on the 29th of July 2022.

The ESO are seeking solutions to help manage constraints on the Anglo-Scottish (B6) boundary, for expected service delivery between 1st October 2024 and 30th September 2025. During this stage of the B6 CMP 2024/25 tender process, the ESO is seeking an arming fee (£/MWh) and tripping fee (£/trip) for each asset participating in the ITT process. Following the conclusion of the ITT process, the successful assets shall be connected to the Anglo-Scottish Commercial Intertrip Scheme (B6 CIS) and thereafter provide the service at the ESO's discretion throughout the contracted period, from 1st October 2024 through to 30th September 2025. Please note that participants must submit full and compliant proposals in this ITT process to be considered for the provision of intertrip services.

Supporting Documents

Tender Instructions (Folder)

1. B6 CMP 2024-25 Invitation to Tender Letter

This letter. This document provides high level information on the documents within the B6 CMP 24/25 tender.

2. B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Instructions

This document provides key information in relation to the B6 CMP 2024/25 ITT process and should be read in conjunction with the B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Summary Presentation.

3. B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Summary Presentation

This document provides some further information in relation to context, timelines, and ways of working for the B6 CMP 2024/25 ITT process and should be read in conjunction with the B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Instructions.

Tender Information (Folder)

1. B6 CMP 2024/25 Service Specification

This document provides interested parties and prospective participants with the details of the B6 CMP 2024/25 service. This includes the rationale and background of the service, as well as the commercial aspects and the technical requirements of the service.

2. B6 Constraint Management Intertrip Service Framework Agreement

This document is the umbrella agreement that technically feasible assets have been invited to sign; it sets out the details of the provider and their asset but does not alone enable the ESO to utilise the asset for the service. This ongoing B6 CMP 2024/25 ITT process determines which assets are connected to the intertrip scheme for the B6 CMP 2024/25 service term. The Framework Agreement is to be signed and submitted separately from the tender event. It must be submitted by the 12pm on the 2nd of September 2022 or your

tender submission will not be considered. The Framework Agreement will be issued for signature using the electronic signature platform DocuSign.

3. B6 Constraint Management Intertrip Service 2024/25 Standard Contract Terms (SCTs)

This document outlines the tender procedure, alongside details of the service such as payment terms and utilisation. The section on Constraint Management Intertrip Service (CMIS) Tenders shall become binding on participants at the point of signing the B6 Constraint Management Intertrip Service Framework Agreement, with the rest of the SCTs taking effect should participants be successful in the ITT process.

4. B6 Constraint Management Intertrip Service 2024/25 Comparison of Standard Contract Terms (SCTs)

This document highlights the updates and new clauses that have been added to the Standard Contract Terms.

5. B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Query (TQ) Log

This document should be used by participants to submit Tender Queries (TQs) to the ESO, with confidential TQs being marked as such wherever necessary. ESO responses to TQs not marked by participants as confidential will be shared with all tender participants.

Tender Submission (Folder)

1. B6 CMP 2024/25 Commercial Submission Proforma

This excel proforma must be populated and returned to the ESO using the SAP Ariba platform by participants before the ITT deadline of 12pm on the 2nd of September 2022 in order for the relevant assets to be considered during the commercial assessment process.

2. B6 CMP 2024/25 Tender Declaration

This document must be populated and returned to the ESO by participants before the ITT deadline of 12pm on the 2nd September 2022 in order for the ESO to confirm that submissions have been made in accordance with the principles laid out in the ITT documentation.

Next Steps

Following the tender submission deadline, the received submissions shall be assessed in accordance with the process and principles established in the B6 CMP 2024/25 Service Specification. Upon completion of the ITT assessment process, the ESO shall notify all participants of the outcome, with successful participants becoming bound by the B6 Constraint Management Intertrip Service 2024/25 SCTs for the duration of the service term.

During the ITT process, please use the SAP Ariba Message Board (not email) for further information and/or to ask any questions in relation to the B6 CMP 2024/25. Please also visit [National Grid ESO's website](#) and subscribe to [National Grid ESO's Network Options Assessment Newsletter](#) for updates, both in relation to the B6 CMP 2024/25 as well as other Pathfinders.

Yours Faithfully,

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