

**United Kingdom-Newcastle: Public utilities**  
**OJ S 208/2016 27/10/2016**  
**Contract notice**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

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Country: United Kingdom  
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Telephone: +44 1912613918  
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**I.1. Name and addresses**

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Town: North Tyneside  
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Postal code: NE27 0BY  
Country: United Kingdom  
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**Name and addresses**

Official name: Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council (Framework Contract Participant)

Postal address: Kirkleatham Street

Town: Redcar

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Country: United Kingdom

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Main address: [www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](http://www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk)

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: South Tyneside Council (Framework Agreement Participant)

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Town: South Shields

NUTS code: UKC North East (England)

Postal code: NE33 2RL

Country: United Kingdom

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Town: Stockton-on-Tees

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Postal code: TS18 1LD

Country: United Kingdom

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#### **I.1. Name and addresses**

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Town: Spennymoor

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Country: United Kingdom

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#### **I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Sunderland College (Framework Contract Participant)

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Town: Sunderland

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**I.2. Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login/>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5. Main activity**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

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**II.1. Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1. Title**

NEPO303 Meter Operator (MOP) Services.

Reference number: NEPO303

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

65000000 Public utilities

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

The North East Procurement Organisation (NEPO) is inviting tenders for a Framework Agreement for the provision of Meter Operator (MOP) services. The Framework Agreement will include shall include the supply or adoption of meters (to be determined by the Tenderer), registration of meters and the maintenance of meters and associated communications requirements. With regard to supply, the Framework Agreement will also include the supply of meters where the result of the maintenance service identifies a requirement to do so.

The NEPO Framework Agreement for Meter Operator Services will be divided into the following two lots. P272 is an electricity market regulatory change which is effective from April 2017 and results in a change of measurement class for Non-Half Hourly (NHH) 5-8 meters

Lot 1 — Meters on the NEPO Electricity Portfolio prior to P272

Lot 2 — Meters on the NEPO Electricity Portfolio post P272.

**II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 2 500 000,00 GBP

### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

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Lot 2 — Meters on the NEPO Electricity Portfolio post P272.

## **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.1. Title**

Lot 1 — Meters on the NEPO Electricity Portfolio prior to P272

Lot No: 1

### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

65000000 Public utilities

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

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This opportunity can be accessed via the NEPO e-tendering system. Suppliers wishing to tender for this opportunity should register an interest and submit a tender through the NEPO e-tendering system. If a Tenderer is not registered on the NEPO e-tendering system they can do so using this link <https://procontract.due-north.com/SupplierRegistration/Requirements>. Any queries must be submitted through the messaging section of the e-tendering system seven days prior to the deadline for receipt of tenders. Further information regarding timescales and deadlines is included in the Invitation to Tender documentation. If you require time-critical assistance on submitting your Tender please contact the System Support Team on 0330 0050352. All potential system issues should be raised by a Tenderer seven days prior to the deadline for receipt of tenders.

### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 1 250 000,00 GBP

## **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 50

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

This Framework Agreement is a replacement of a current NEPO Framework Agreement for Meter Operator Services. This Framework Agreement will commence on 1.2.2017 with the initial term ending on the 31.3.2019. The Framework will also have 2 x 12 month options to extend (taking the Framework Agreement to 31.3.2021 if adopted).

## **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

## **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

## **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

## **II.2.14. Additional information**

Further information is available in the Invitation to Tender documents. The invitation to tender documents can be accessed via the NEPO e-tendering system. If a Tenderer is not registered on the NEPO e-tendering system they can do so using this link <https://procontract.due-north.com/SupplierRegistration/Requirements>

## **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.1. Title**

Lot 2 — Meters on the NEPO Electricity Portfolio post P272

Lot No: 2

### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

65000000 Public utilities

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

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### **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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#### **III.1. Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

As specified in the Invitation to Tender documentation.

##### **III.1.2. Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3. Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## **III.2. Conditions related to the contract**

### **III.2.2. Contract performance conditions**

As specified in the tender documentation.

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Description**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement  
Framework agreement with several operators  
Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 2

#### **IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

### **IV.2. Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 25/11/2016 Local time: 12:00

#### **IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

#### **IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 25/11/2016 Local time: 12:00

Place:

Gateshead Council,  
Civic Centre,  
Regent Street,  
Gateshead,  
NE8 1HH.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Representative of Gateshead Council Legal Team.

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published:

50 Months if the Options to Extend this Framework Agreement are adopted. 26 Months if they are not.

### **VI.3. Additional information**

NEPO is a Central Purchasing Body as defined in the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (PCR15). This means that NEPO may provide central purchasing activity on behalf of Contracting Authorities.

The agreement will be available for use by all NEPO Members. A list of member organisations is available in the About section of the NEPO website at: [www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org).

This agreement will also be made available to all current and future NEPO Associate Members. Current Associate Members are listed in the Associate Member section of the NEPO website at: [www.nepo.org/associate-membership/list](http://www.nepo.org/associate-membership/list).

NEPO intends to make the resulting agreement available for use by all Contracting Authorities throughout all administrative regions of the UK (as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015) including but not limited to Government Departments and their Agencies, Non-Departmental Public Bodies, Central Government, NHS Bodies, Local Authorities, Emergency Services, Coastguard Emergency Services, Educational Establishments, Registered Social Landlords and Registered Charities who have a need to purchase the above services.

Please see the following websites for further details:-

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/Localcouncils/index.htm>

<http://www.education.gov.uk/edubase/home.xhtml>

<http://www.schoolswedirectory.co.uk/localauthorities.php>

<http://www.ukschoolsdirectory.net>

<https://www.gov.uk/find-school-in-england>

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/scottishschoolsonline/>

<http://hwb.wales.gov.uk/>

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-academies-and-academy-projects-in-development>

<http://unistats.direct.gov.uk/institutions/>

<http://www.hefce.ac.uk/workprovide/unicoll/heis/>

<http://www.hefce.ac.uk/workprovide/unicoll/fecs/>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AcuteTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/nhswalesaboutus/structure>

<http://www.scottishambulance.com/TheService/organised.aspx>

<http://www.hscni.net/index.php?link=trusts>

<http://www.scottishambulance.com/AboutUs/HowWeOrganised.aspx>

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/A-ZOfCentralGovernment/index.htm>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

<http://www.northernireland.gov.uk/gov.htm>

<http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/local-councils-in-northern-ireland>

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2012/02/2421/1>

<https://www.dsdni.gov.uk/contact>

<https://www.dfpni.gov.uk/articles/list-public-bodies-which-ni-public-procurement-policy-applies>

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/publications/re-reference-tables.html?edition=tcm%3A77-336664>

<https://www.police.uk/forces/>

<http://www.police-information.co.uk/index.html>

<http://www.psnipolice.uk/index.htm>

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/>

<http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/mcga07-home.htm>

<http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs>

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/archive/law-order/Police/PoliceServiceofScotland>

<http://www.fire.org.uk/fire-brigades.html>

<http://www.nifrs.org/areas-districts/>

<http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-area.aspx>

[http://www.charity-commission.gov.uk/About\\_us/Regulation/Registering\\_charities\\_index.aspx](http://www.charity-commission.gov.uk/About_us/Regulation/Registering_charities_index.aspx)

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/>

<http://www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelId=7175736>

<http://apps.charitycommission.gov.uk/Showcharity/RegisterOfCharities/registerhomepage.aspx>

[http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/Search/search\\_Auth.aspx](http://www.sell2wales.gov.uk/Search/search_Auth.aspx)

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/newsroom/factsandfigures/housingplanning1/facts/socialhousing/?id=1822644>

A complete list of permissible users is shown on the NEPO website below:

<http://www.nepo.org/associate-membership/permissable-users>

Organisations wishing to access the NEPO agreement will be required to register as a NEPO Associate Member in the first instance.

Further information can be found at: [www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: North East Procurement Organisation

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#### **VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

24/10/2016