



# Demand Side Response

- helping the public sector reduce electricity costs



## What is Demand Side Response (DSR)?

We know that for public sector organisations, getting the best deal on your electricity bills and reducing your carbon footprint is a big priority. Our Demand Side Response (RM3792) framework has been designed to help you achieve this.

Demand Side Response (DSR) schemes enable you to lower or shift your electricity use at peak times in response to external market signals, delivering cost benefits. This can be achieved either through reducing non-essential load such as lighting, air conditioning, heating and chillers, or shifting demand by utilising existing back-up generation. By taking up this opportunity you can receive a payment for being on standby or when reacting to balancing requirements.



## What are the benefits of taking part in a DSR scheme?

There are a number of benefits of participating in DSR schemes. Our framework can help you:

-  make significant savings and reduce overall electricity bills by utilising less electricity from the National Grid during the most expensive times
-  supply excess electricity from additional energy sources, such as spare generators, solar panels or wind turbines, back into the National Grid to generate revenue
-  reduce your organisation's carbon footprint by helping you to move to clean, renewable forms of electricity and manage your electricity consumption
-  identify revenue and cashable savings with an approved benefits methodology

## Why choose us?

Our Demand Side Response framework has been designed to help public sector organisations access these schemes without needing to run a full OJEU procurement. Organisations simply need to identify their requirements for the scheme, present these to the market and award a contract, all of which reduces timescales.

The suppliers on this framework act as an 'aggregator' so that smaller sites can access DSR schemes. The suppliers will carry out a site assessment to determine if your site is suitable and advise on what schemes are appropriate for you to participate in.

The framework is simple to use, with expert procurement advice available where required.

## Find out more

To find out more about reducing your energy costs using our DSR framework, please get in touch:

 <http://ccs-agreements.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/contracts/rm3792>

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