



Contracts for Difference: Stakeholder Bulletin

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Amendment to AR6 Supply Chain Plan Questionnaires – Question 1.1

We have been made aware that the definition of “comprehensive”, “detailed”, etc., information does not align properly with the information the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero is looking for in relation to “Why were these suppliers chosen” in Question 1.1 of the Allocation Round 6 (AR6) Supply Chain Plan Questionnaires. Therefore, this part of Q1.1 has been amended to reflect what is required. The new wording is as follows:

Question 1.1 Supply Chain Competition

The government is keen to understand who the most capable and competitive key component suppliers are, whether in the UK or internationally, for your chosen renewable energy technology. Please describe the procurement rationale for each key component of your generating station (see Annex B for definitions of key components). Note that you must provide answers for all the key components listed for your technology.

Your answer should be no more than 8 pages.

Please answer the following questions, covering all key components:

Information requested	Points available
Who are the main suppliers being considered for each key component? This can include preferred bidders if you are still in the early stages of procurement. Please specify the location of the facilities. Note: the location is not scored, but it is requested to understand where there are potentially capacity bottlenecks.	3 points if information provided. 0 points if no information provided.
Why were these suppliers chosen (i.e. what was strong about their bids)?	15 points if a clear statement of reasoning behind the choice of suppliers is provided, including what aspects of their bids were considered to be strongest explaining why they had an advantage over other bidders, including cost, technical considerations, delivery feasibility, or other factors (e.g. sustainability marks, etc) 0 points if no information is provided. 15 points if comprehensive information is provided against all key components. 12 points if detailed information is provided against all key components. 10 points if basic information is provided against all key components.

	<p>5 points if superficial detail is provided against key components.</p> <p>0 points if no information is provided.</p>
<p>Have you set up conditional contracts with any of these suppliers?</p>	<p>15 points if you have set up conditional contracts or preferred supplier agreements with the majority of the suppliers identified.</p> <p>12 points if you have set up conditional contracts or preferred supplier agreements with at least three of the suppliers identified and can evidence substantial progress in setting up other several conditional contracts, e.g., MOUs.</p> <p>10 points if you have set up either two conditional contracts or preferred supplier agreements with identified suppliers or at least one conditional contract and can evidence substantial progress in setting up several other conditional contracts, e.g., MOUs.</p> <p>5 points if you can evidence substantial progress in setting up several conditional contracts, e.g., MOUs.</p> <p>0 points if no conditional contracts have been set up or none are in progress.</p>
<p>Which alternative suppliers were considered, and why were they rejected?</p>	<p>12 points for providing a comprehensive description of alternative suppliers and reasons for rejection.</p> <p>9 points for providing a detailed description of alternative suppliers and reasons for rejection.</p> <p>6 points for providing a basic description of alternative suppliers and reasons for rejection.</p> <p>3 points for a superficial description of alternative suppliers and reasons for rejection.</p> <p>0 points for not providing any information.</p>
<p>Total number of points</p>	<p>45 points available</p>

The number of points available for **Floating Offshore Wind projects** answering Q1.1 is 8 points.

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