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AR5 update: Auction and sealed bid window

National Grid ESO has submitted the notice of auction for Allocation Round 5 (AR5) to qualifying applicants, notifying them that an auction will take place.

From today (9 August 2023), National Grid ESO will invite qualifying applicants to submit their sealed bids. This window will close on 15 August 2023.

For details on the upcoming stages of AR5, please refer to scenario five in the published [timeline](#).

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