



Contracts for Difference: Stakeholder Bulletin

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Allocation Round 5 update: Allocation process

The sealed bid window has closed, and National Grid ESO will now run the allocation/auction process.

The allocation process will be followed by an independent audit.

Subject to the outcome of the independent audit, National Grid ESO intends to notify qualifying applicants of the results of the auction on 7-8 September 2023. Once it has done so, the results will be made publicly available on GOV.UK.

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

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