



## Contracts for Difference: Stakeholder Bulletin

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### Government Publishes date for the opening window of Allocation Round 8 Supply Chain Plan submissions for large-scale solar and onshore wind projects

The government published Supply Chain Plan (SCP) guidance and a questionnaire linked to the Contracts for Difference (CfD) Allocation Round 8 in October 2025 to apply to solar projects of 300MW in capacity and above. It was updated in February 2026 to reflect the continuation of SCP policy for onshore wind in AR8 (for projects of 300MW in capacity and above), publishing the corresponding questionnaire and updated guidance.

This bulletin confirms that the application window for Supply Chain Plans for Allocation Round 8 will be from Wednesday 1 April 2026 at 00:01 until Tuesday 7 April 23:59. During the calendar week before the opening of the SCP application window, prospective applicants should email the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero at [supplychainplan@energysecurity.gov.uk](mailto:supplychainplan@energysecurity.gov.uk) indicating their intention to submit an SCP for assessment. The Department will set up a secure online management platform for applicants to use to submit an SCP electronically.

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