

# UNC0473 – Procurement Criteria

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# Overview

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- UNC0473 places an obligation on Transporters to procure an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) – post UK Link Programme/Project Nexus
- UNC0473 uses a Framework to provide additional detail and procurement requirements
- UNC0229 placed obligations for procurement of an AUGE under the current arrangements and uses a Guidelines document
- Both Guidelines and Framework have identical minimum requirements for the procurement criteria, though the scope of the AUGE work is reflective of the differences in settlement regime
- Procurement process used for UNC0229 could be used as basis for UNC0473 where aligned



# UNC0229 & UNC0473 – Procurement Criteria

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- Requirement for UNCC will produce criteria which will include the following assessment areas (Framework for Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert – version 6.2):
- Paragraph 3.1
  - Ability of AUGÉ to produce methodology and subsequent statements (a)
  - Evaluation of costs (b)
  - Consideration of knowledge and expertise (c)
  - Ability to take account of industry development (d)
  - Details of weightings (e)



# Tender Responses

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- Tender responses are required to include the following to enable the assessment criteria to be applied (paragraph 4.1.5):
  - Comply with Generic Terms of Reference and other criteria (a)
  - Outline of method to be used and reason why suitable (b)
  - Outline of data needed (c)
  - Likely timeframes (d)
  - Cost (e)
  - Contact details for queries (f)
  - Independence & impartiality (h)
- As neither criteria for assessment nor details to be included in tender responses have changed it is proposed that the original Procurement Criteria is used for review



# Draft Tender Criteria

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- Criteria matched to requirements
  - Independency & impartiality – must pass this to continue – response to 4.1.5 (h)
  - Cost – response to 3.1.1 (b) & 4.1.5 (e)
  - Knowledge, skills & capability – response to 3.1.1 (a) & (c)
    - Energy industry expertise and knowledge
    - Capability to delivery specific consultancy work – response to 4.1.5 (a) & (c)
    - Ability to deliver within timescales – response to 4.1.5 (d)
  - Technical – response to 3.1.1 (b) & (c)
    - Approach to assignment – response to 4.1.5 (b)
    - Requirement for other industry data – response to 4.1.5 (c)
  - Innovation – response to 3.1.1 (d)
    - Continuous improvement ideas
  - Service – response to 4.1.5 (f)
    - Relationship management
  - Commercial



# Draft Tender Criteria – initial suggested weightings

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- Criteria matched to requirements
  - Independency & impartiality – N/A
  - Cost – [10%]
  - Knowledge, skills & capability – [30%]
  - Technical – [30%]
  - Innovation – [10%]
  - Service – [15%]
  - Commercial – [5%]
- If new criteria are included outside these headings how should overall weightings be adjusted?

