

Allocation Round 5: Draft indicative timeline scenarios (planning assumption; details subject to change)

October 2022

Description	Scenario 1 (shortest timeline): All applicants qualify	Scenario 2: Non-qualifying applicants after application assessment; no review raised	Scenario 3: Non-qualifying applicants after application assessment; but all qualify once review raised	Scenario 4: Non-qualifying applicants after review; no appeal raised	Scenario 5 (longest timeline): Non-qualifying applicants after review; appeal raised
Publish draft Allocation Framework (Containing core auction parameters – pot structure; delivery years and Administrative Strike Prices)	December 2022				
Supply Chain Plan Application Window	5-12 December 2022				
Publish statutory notices (incl. Budget Notice)	March 2023				
AR5 application window opens	March 2023				
AR5 application window closes	April 2023				
Qualification assessment window	April/May 2023				
Applicants informed whether or not they qualify for the allocation round	May 2023				
Tier 1 non-qualifying review stage (National Grid assessments)	N/A	N/A	May/June 2023		
Tier 2 non-qualification appeals stage (Ofgem assessments)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	June/July 2023
Sealed bid window; run auction and audit	June 2023	June 2023	July 2023	July 2023	Aug 2023
National Grid ESO notify applicants of the results	June 2023	July 2023	July 2023	July 2023	Aug/Sept 2023
Contract signing window (4 business weeks)	July 2023	July 2023	July/August 2023	August 2023	September 2023