

Allocation Round 6: Indicative timeline scenarios
(Dates may be subject to change)

Description	Scenario 1 (shortest timeline): All applicants qualify	Scenario 2: No non-qualifying applicants request a Tier 1 review after application assessment	Scenario 3: Non-qualifying applicants request Tier 1 review and all qualify following review	Scenario 4: No non-qualifying applicants after Tier 1 review request a Tier 2 appeal	Scenario 5 (longest timeline): Non-qualifying applicants request a Tier 2 appeal
Supply Chain Plan Application Window.	4 – 10 December 2023				
Publication of Minor & Necessary guidance. (LCCC's Minor & Necessary Modifications Guidance provides guidance on how an applicant may apply to LCCC for a minor and necessary modification to the Standard Terms. It also sets out the application form and the information to be included in the application).	Mid-February 2024				
Engagement on Minor & Necessary Modification requests. (This is the period during which potential CfD applicants can start early engagement with LCCC on minor and necessary modification requests).	Late February 2024				
Publish statutory notices (incl. Budget Notice) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocation Round Notice • Budget Notice • Standard Terms Notice • Counterparty Costs Notice • Framework Notice 	13 March 2024				
Allocation Framework for AR6 published. (This document sets out the rules to be applied to AR6).	13 March 2024				
CfD Standard Terms for AR6 published. (These are the final versions of the CfD Standard Terms and Conditions, the generic version of the CfD Agreement and contract variants for AR6).	13 March 2024				
Minor & Necessary Modification request window. (This is the window for potential applicants to make their formal request to LCCC for minor and necessary modifications).	13- 20 March 2024				
Application Window for CfD Allocation Round 6. (This is the window for applicants to submit their CfD application and accompanying evidence/documents).	27 March – 19 April 2024				
Latest date for Minor & Necessary determinations. (This is the deadline by which LCCC must respond to requests for minor and necessary modifications).	12 April 2024				
Qualification assessment window. (This is the window for the Delivery Body, National Grid ESO, to review CfD applications against the relevant CfD qualification criteria).	22 April – 20 May 2024				

Applicants notified of outcome of qualification assessment. (Applicants informed whether their applications are considered to qualify for participation in AR6 (i.e., eligible) or are non-qualifying (i.e., ineligible). AR6 will proceed on scenario 1 if all applications qualify at this stage).	20 May 2024				
Window for Non-Qualifying applicants to request a non – qualification review. (This is the window for non-qualifying applicants to request a Non-Qualification Review – a Tier 1 appeal - asking the Delivery Body to review their decision on qualification status. AR6 will proceed on scenario 2 if no Tier 1 appeals are submitted).	N/A	21 – 28 May 2024			
Non-qualifying review assessment window. (This is the window for the Delivery Body to re-assess CfD applications against the relevant CfD qualification criteria if Tier 1 appeals are submitted).	N/A	N/A	29 May – 11 June 2024		
Non-Qualifying applicants notified of outcome of non – qualification review (a “Non-Qualification Review Notice”). (Applicants informed whether after re-assessment their applications are considered qualifying (i.e., eligible) or non-qualifying (i.e., ineligible). AR6 will proceed on scenario 3 if all Tier 1 appeals are successful at this stage, i.e., all applications qualify following review of Tier 1 appeals).	N/A	N/A	11 June 2024		
Window for non-qualifying applicants to request a Qualification Appeal (Tier 2 appeal). (This is the window for any non-qualifying applicants to submit a Qualification Appeal asking Ofgem to review the Delivery Body’s non-qualification decision. If no Tier 2 appeals are submitted by 5pm on 18 June, AR6 will proceed on scenario 4. If Tier 2 appeals are submitted, AR6 will proceed on scenario 5).	N/A	N/A	N/A	12 – 18 June 2024	
Ofgem informs the Delivery Body if any Tier 2 appeals have been received and Delivery Body has 5 working days in which to submit observations to Ofgem.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	19 June – 26 June 2024
Tier 2 Ofgem non-qualification appeals stage. (Ofgem consider Qualification Appeals).	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	27 June – 24 July 2024
Non-qualifying applicants notified of outcome of qualification appeals. (Applicants are informed whether after review of a Qualification Appeal their applications are considered qualifying (eligible) or non-qualifying (ineligible) to participate in AR6).	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	24 July 2024
The Delivery Body submits the final valuation, or an updated valuation if any Qualification Appeals are upheld, to DESNZ and notifies its intention to hold an auction.	21 May 2024	29 May 2024	12 June 2024	19 June 2024	25 July 2024
DESNZ reviews the final valuation of all qualifying applicants. (During this period, the Secretary of State may consider whether to increase the budget for the allocation round).	22 – 29 May 2024	30 May – 5 June 2024	13 – 19 June 2024	20 – 26 June 2024	26 July – 1 August 2024
Delivery Body issues a ‘Notice of Auction’ inviting qualified applicants to submit sealed bids. (The ‘Notice of Auction’ will specify that an auction is to be held and the deadline for the submission of sealed bids).	30 May 2024	6 June 2024	20 June 2024	27 June 2024	2 August 2024

Sealed bid window. (Qualifying applicants may submit sealed bids during this window).	31 May – 6 June 2024	7 – 13 June 2024	21 – 27 June 2024	28 June – 4 July 2024	5 – 9 August 2024
Run allocation process and independent audit. (This is when the allocation/auction process takes place, followed by an independent audit to confirm that the process has been accurately followed).	7 - 24 June 2024	14 June – 1 July 2024	28 June – 15 July 2024	5 – 22 July 2024	12 – 28 August 2024
National Grid send DESNZ Secretary of State recommendations and Independent Audit Report.	25 June 2024	2 July 2024	16 July 2024	23 July 2024	29 August 2024
Consideration of Audit Report and Delivery Body recommendations on next steps. (Secretary of State considers the Audit Report and the Delivery Body's recommendation to proceed to notify qualified applicants of their results or to re-run the allocation round).	26 – 27 June 2024	3 – 4 July 2024	17 – 18 July 2024	24 – 25 July 2024	30 August – 2 September 2024
National Grid ESO notify applicants of the results. (Delivery Body notifies all qualified applicants of the allocation/auction outcome; LCCC notified of successful projects only; DESNZ publishes details of the successful projects).	28 June – 1 July 2024	5 – 8 July 2024	19 - 22 July 2024	26 – 29 July 2024	3 – 4 September 2024
Contracts processed and distributed. (This is the period in which LCCC sends out contracts to the successful applicants making a formal offer of a CfD).	2 – 15 July 2024	9 – 22 July 2024	23 July – 5 August 2024	30 July – 12 August 2024	5 - 18 September 2024
Sign contracts and return to LCCC. (Successful applicants must return signed contracts to LCCC within 10 working days of the offer being made).	16 July – 29 July 2024	23 July – 5 August 2024	6 - 19 August 2024	13 - 27 August 2024	19 September – 2 October 2024