



The Coal
Authority

Coal Authority Metering Contract Prior Information Notice

The Coal Authority (Client) was established by Parliament to undertake specific statutory duties, set out in the Coal Industry Act 1994, associated with licensing coal mining operations; managing property and the historic legacy arising from the ownership of the coal reserves and underground workings; settling subsidence damage claims not falling on coal mine operators and providing access to coal mining information.

The Coal Authority has a legal duty under the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991, to repair properties damaged by coal mining subsidence in the five coalfield regions. The works are funded by grant in aid from central government, in order that the Coal Authority can discharge its statutory duty.

The Coal Authority employs over 300, based mainly at the head office in Mansfield with some field staff remotely based in order to enable a fast response to incidents in the coal mining areas.

The Coal Authority is funded by grant in aid from the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ).

We will be publishing a tender in early June 2023 which will be the retendering of our metering contract which expires in September 2023

This notice is published by way of giving interested parties advance notice of this opportunity.

We require consolidated meter readings across approximately 80 sites, with additional sites to be included as they are commissioned at a rate of 1 to 2 a year. This is for consolidating smart meter readings from:

- Electricity meters
- Electricity generation meters
- Electricity export meters

- Water meters

As part of this contract we will require maintenance of existing meters plus the installation of new electricity and water meters at approximately 10 sites around England, Scotland and Wales as well as a review and potential upgrade of electricity generation meters at approximately 10 sites.

Meter readings should be provided on a central portal with potential to provide an API for data transfer to a Coal Authority reporting system in the future.

No action is required in response to this Prior Information Notice but if you have any questions about this opportunity please contact Peter Kobryn, Senior Procurement Business Partner – peterkobryn@coal.gov.uk