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Dear Colleague

**GB System Service Requirement Notice for April 2016 to March 2017**

In February National Grid issued a letter<sup>1</sup> identifying a need to procure a contracted service in order to maintain our existing Black Start capability. Following the receipt of a number of expressions of interest in response to our letter, we have signed contracts that have met our identified requirement. The contracts are structured in such a way as to minimise any potential market distortion.

**Service Requirement**

Requirement: A minimum of two Balancing Mechanism Units (BMUs), preferably Black Start capable.

Requirement Location: North East England, North West England

Requirement Duration: 12 months, commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016

Please contact either myself or Andrew Ford if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=45483>