

Dear Supplier,

Thank you for partnering with National Grid on our journey toward a more sustainable future and for your commitment to transparency in Climate and Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) reporting through the Carbon Disclosure Program and the Sustainable Supply Chain Alliance (SSCA). Your efforts have played a vital role in advancing our shared contribution to sustainability.

As part of our evolving strategy, we are transitioning our supply chain sustainability reporting to the **EcoVadis** platform. Your organisation has been identified as a **key supplier**, meaning we would like to review your sustainability performance in line with our Responsible Business commitments and relevant regulatory requirements. As such, we would request that your organisation completes a full EcoVadis assessment to support our shared sustainability goals. This assessment is a key component of our broader sustainability framework, which is anchored in our **Supplier Code of Conduct** and aligned with our commitments to environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and ethical business practices. EcoVadis provides us with enhanced visibility and assurance into our suppliers' sustainability performance, helping shape long-term strategic partnerships.

Why EcoVadis Matters to You?

EcoVadis is a globally recognised platform, widely adopted across the UK and US utility sectors. It evaluates sustainability performance across four critical dimensions:

- **Environment**
- **Labour & Human Rights**
- **Ethics**
- **Sustainable Procurement**

EcoVadis enables businesses to assess, benchmark, and continuously improve their sustainability performance. By completing the EcoVadis assessment, your organisation not only demonstrates leadership and alignment with international best practices but also strengthens its position as a trusted partner. This process provides transparency via a detailed scorecard, supports risk management, and integrates sustainability into core business operations, benefiting both your organisation and your clients.


Next Steps for Your Organisation

1. **Platform Invitation:** You will shortly receive an invitation to join EcoVadis. Please note that there is a fee associated with the assessment, which varies based on company size, sector, and location. Further details are available [here](#) or in the Appendix.
2. **Webinars:** We will host webinars to provide guidance on the EcoVadis process and its benefits. We encourage you to share these sessions widely within your organisation to ensure a successful and informed submission.
3. **Scorecard Submission:** Upon completion, please share your EcoVadis scorecard with us. This will support our procurement sustainability strategy and contribute to our year-end reporting aligned with our Responsible Business Charter.
4. **Ongoing Reporting:** From **September 2025**, we will begin collecting sustainability data from in-scope suppliers via EcoVadis. We ask that your submission includes comprehensive metrics, ideally covering the past two years. The [Resource Centre](#) and the Appendix to this letter provide resources to support your submission.

Your participation is critical to our shared sustainability journey. We appreciate your investment of time and resources in completing the EcoVadis assessment and joining us in this strategic initiative.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at Box.SCS@nationalgrid.com.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration as we work together toward a more sustainable future.



Simon Harnett, Chief Procurement Officer (CPO)

Appendix

For more information, please see the following:

- Information regarding fees can be found here - [Business Sustainability Ratings Plans and Pricing](#).
- Should you have any questions regarding the EcoVadis process or require support, please contact the EcoVadis Supplier Engagement Team via the [EcoVadis Help Center](#) or [How can I get help with my EcoVadis account?](#)
- To learn more about the EcoVadis assessment and its global network of businesses benefiting from improving their sustainability performance, review these resources:
 - **Free live webinar:**
 - [“Getting Started with Your EcoVadis Assessment”](#) for organizations without EcoVadis rating, incl. live Q&A session to learn more about the assessment process. **Register [here](#) today!**
 - [Rated Company Webinars Landing Page](#)
 - **Important Info Pages:**
 - [EcoVadis Pre-assessment General Information Page](#)
 - [EcoVadis Subscription Plans & Pricing](#) and [Terms & Conditions](#)
 - **Brochure:**
 - [“Getting an EcoVadis Rating”](#): How to tap into global trends and help your business thrive by integrating sustainability.
 - **Resource & Help Center:**
 - [EcoVadis Resource Center for Suppliers](#) offering valuable resources (i.e.: videos and articles) to suppliers, incl. the [EcoVadis Document Guide](#)
 - [EcoVadis Help Center](#): Please contact the Help Center, if you have any questions about the EcoVadis platform after your registration.
 - [Sustainability Rating – EcoVadis Help Center](#)