



MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS



FIXED LINE



PBX & NETWORKING



ENERGY



CONVERGED SOLUTIONS

Catalyst

Procurement, Audit, analysis and sourcing

Catalyst is one of the UK's largest independent utilities companies. They offer a complete business consultancy service offering bespoke utilities solutions and strategies for the management of commercial electricity and gas requirements. They evaluate business needs and work with their customers to find solutions that meet their immediate and future requirements. They can advise on day-to-day requirements and consider how their clients can maximise efficiency whilst lowering overheads and ongoing costs.

Three Services

We have three core services, each designed to increase value in different ways:

- Energy Procurement
- Invoice Validation
- Account Management

Our energy consultant's work with your purchasing staff to advice on contract type and market conditions. Then we'll build purchasing strategies and action plans that will deliver lower total cost and reduced risk of supply chain failure.

- Invoice Validation

We can then provide monthly invoice validation services and liaise directly with your accounts payable department.

- Account Management

Your Account Manager will become your single point of contact for any queries.



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Independent Data Collection Services

All half hourly electricity contracts in the UK must have an appointed data collector (DC) who is responsible for collecting, processing and validating the meter reading data. When this data has been collected it then passes this information to a Data Aggregator (DA). These additional services are arranged by your chosen supplier; however with full market deregulation it is now possible to contract your own data collection services independently of your chosen supplier if you have a half hourly electricity meter (CoP5).

Benefits of Contracting

- Ownership of the data collection contract means that you can switch suppliers as often as you want without any fear of loss of data, thus improving your procurement power and ensuring continuity of service. As any gaps in data normally associated with changes in supplier are minimised ensuring full sets of data are available at procurement rounds.
- A typical data collection contract is 60-months and most half hourly electricity contracts are no longer than 36-months, which guarantee's accurate data when arranging your procurement process at the contracts natural anniversary.
- An independent data collection contract means you are getting truly impartial high quality access to your data thus reducing dependency on your supplier's data being correct in the first place.
- In addition to these benefits you will have full online access to your consumption data (Day+1) to compile your own basic energy management reports or you can choose from a suite of simple comparison charts from the online toolbox. The data is also readily exportable into various file formats including csv, so that you can import directly into your own spreadsheets for further analysis.
- Because you have access to your consumption data faster (Day +1) more relevant timely advice leading to potentially greater energy cost savings can be implemented.
- With access to all of your historical data it is also possible to contract an energy management company if you require a more sophisticated energy management programme. (Typically 15-20% energy savings when used in conjunction with an efficient energy management policy)
- In nearly all cases, it is more financially viable to contract this service to a third party as your chosen supplier would normally collect these charges on behalf of a data collection company and include a margin for the processing of this collection.
- If you have multiple sites it is possible to nominate key performance bench marks against these, thus improving your companies overall energy awareness.
- There is no need to install any new cabling or meters as the service is independent of you current installed hardware.

Online Data Provision Services

By contracting independently of any supplier ensures that your energy data is managed by a third party and as suppliers can often change it offers continuity in service and additional statistical analysis of your energy consumption. Some service providers will charge an annual fee for a selection of energy reports, but most offer online access to your raw data free of charge. Any outsourced solution will offer a more effective mechanism for energy management and profiling of your energy consumption.

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