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KEY SERVICES

Competition, Regulation and Trade
Public Procurement

KEY SECTORS

Energy
Water and Waste

EXPERIENCE

Tim is a market-leading competition and regulatory lawyer with a particular focus on regulated infrastructure and utilities operating in the energy, water and rail sectors.

He provides highly technical specialist advice on sector-specific regulation and has extensive experience and expertise in competition law, procurement and State aid. He works regularly with clients in relation to large infrastructure projects. Tim has an excellent insight into regulatory policy, having been seconded for two years into the Government team responsible for key utilities legislation.

Tim is an expert on the interface between regulation and competition law. With more than 20 years' cross-sector experience, he has the know-how to add real value to clients. He offers a broad-spectrum service including procurement law and State aid.

In the energy and water sectors, he advises regularly on a wide range of issues arising under the statutory and licence regimes – including ring fencing, asset disposals and price controls – as well as on merger control and anti-trust matters.

In the rail sector, Tim works with train operators and infrastructure managers (as well as potential acquirers). His experience ranges from procurement and merger control issues arising from franchise bids to navigating the constraints on infrastructure managers imposed by UK legislation, the EU rail packages and State aid rules.

Tim has worked on a variety of major infrastructure projects in which he has advised on the establishment of new regulatory regimes.

He also advises on regulatory investigations and appeals.

Tim's experience includes advising:

- The Bazalgette Consortium (Allianz Capital Partners, Dalmore Capital, Amber Infrastructure and DIF) on regulatory, State aid and procurement aspects of its successful bid for the Thames Tideway Tunnel project
 - Virgin Trains on obtaining phase 1 merger clearance for its acquisition of the East Coast passenger rail franchise by means of securing acceptance of behavioural undertakings
 - Mitsubishi Corporation on regulatory and merger control aspects of its acquisition of a 25% stake in South Staffordshire plc from KKR
 - Northern Ireland Electricity on its RP5 price control review by the NI utility regulator and subsequent 11-month reference to the Competition Commission
 - London and Continental Railways on the establishment of the bespoke regulatory regime for the High Speed 1 railway used by Eurostar and domestic high speed services, and the subsequent £2.1 billion sale of the railway
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