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Contract

Potential migration levels of mineral oil hydrocarbons (MOAH and MOSH) from food

Food Standards Agency

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Scope

Reference

C407605

Description

There is currently limited UK capability to measure MOSH/MOAH levels in foods.

To evaluate dietary exposure and possible migration levels of MOSH/MOAH, methodology for the determination of MOSH/MOAH in foods needs to be established.

The objective of this current piece of work is to apply methods for the detection of MOSH/MOAH within food and ascertain any potential migration levels from food contact materials and as environmental contaminants in food.

The development of these methods and their subsequent validation will allow the FSA to determine the risk to the consumer from exposure from foods which have been contaminated with MOSH/MOAH and additionally respond to incidents.

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Supplier

- [Fera Science Ltd](#)

Contract value

- £99,643.91 excluding VAT
- £119,572.69 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

7 January 2026

Contract dates

- 8 January 2026 to 26 February 2027
- Possible extension to 9 April 2027
- 1 year, 3 months, 2 days

Description of possible extension:

The Buyer may extend the Contract for a period of up to 6 weeks by giving not less than 10 Working Days' notice in writing to the Supplier prior to the Expiry Date. The Conditions of the Contract shall apply throughout any such extended period.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Food Standards Agency

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJRM-6866-LYYX

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government