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Tender

Monitoring of Contaminants in UK cereals used for processing food & animal feed

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/agriculture-and-horticulture-development-board>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Agriculture

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Monitoring of Contaminants in UK cereals used for processing food & animal feed

Reference number

2024-741

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Food security and safety remains a priority issue for UK agriculture. There is need for continued investment in this work, as ensuring the safety and quality of the major UK cereals for human consumption and animal feed remains a top priority for the agricultural industry.

Continued monitoring of contaminants in cereals across the supply chain is essential in order to provide scientific evidence and assure the cereal industry their products are safe, and of good quality, for use in the domestic and export markets. The data generated by previous phases of the project has been used to inform discussions on new legislation and growing demands on supply, as well as be a vital source to demonstrate due diligence.

AHDB is looking for a contractor to undertake the new phase of this project over the next 2 years, with the potential to extend for a further 3 years in 12-month increments (1 August 2025 to 31 July 2030).

The main purpose of this project is to provide an independent survey of the incidence and levels of key contaminants in representative samples of UK-grown cereals (wheat, barley and oats) and co-products (wheatfeed and oatfeed), to ensure they meet legal compliance guideline limits and are safe for human consumption and animal feed. The project will also monitor current and emerging legislation and contaminant issues which could impact on the safety of cereal-based foods and their acceptability in key home and overseas markets.

Closing date by 12noon on the 14 May 2025

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,087,500

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77100000 - Agricultural services
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II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 90

Price - Weighting: 10

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,087,500

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 August 2025

End date

31 July 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

14 May 2025

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

14 May 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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