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Contract

## **National Reference Laboratory for Genetically Modified Organisms**

Food Standards Agency

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-013982

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046f5a

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Food Standards Agency

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London

SW1H 9EX

#### **Email**

[lisa.francis@food.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.francis@food.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

National Reference Laboratory for Genetically Modified Organisms

Reference number

C282050

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73111000 - Research laboratory services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The FSA and FSS are responsible for Official Feed and Food Controls across the UK. The UK has a legal obligation to appoint NRLs for feed and food safety. NRLs provide advice and support to food, feed, and food contact materials enforcement laboratories and the FSA and FSS to ensure a harmonised approach to food safety enforcement. NRLs are responsible for setting standards for routine procedures and reliable testing methods in the regulated areas of feed and food. This delivers consumer protection and effective, risk-based, and proportionate regulation and enforcement.

The appointed laboratory will carry out the provision of services for the UK NRL for feed and food additives. The contract will be delivered over four years, starting 1st April 2025, to end 31st March 2029. There will be an optional 2-year extension that can be enacted by variation. The applicant is required to submit a quote covering the full 4 years period and are encouraged to provide intelligent estimates for the lifespan of the contract at the outset, considering any foreseen increases (or decreases) over time. If significant changes need to be made throughout the contract, then these will be discussed, as necessary, with the appointed contractor.

This is a 4 year contract with an optional 2 year extension.

The estimated value of the Contract is estimated to be between £0 - £1,137,257.51 (inc VAT) for the total duration, including the 2 year extension. The FSA is not required to take the

extension.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £613,967.09

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 71900000 - Laboratory services
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- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73111000 - Research laboratory services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

[www.food.gov.uk](http://www.food.gov.uk)

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Cost criterion - Name: Technical criteria / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial criteria / Weighting: 20

### **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

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## **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: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-018160](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

14 March 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

LGC Limited

Queens Road, Teddington, Middlesex

Teddington

TW110LY

Telephone

+44 02089437345

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

02991879

Internet address

<http://www.lqcstandards.com/>

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,137,257.51

Total value of the contract/lot: £613,967.09

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court and Court of Appeal of England and Wales

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

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