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Contract

FS431024 Evaluation of the rollout and implementation of the Pre-Packed for Direct Sale (PPDS) Requirements which came into effect in October 2021

The Food Standards Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-034db5

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Food Standards Agency

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

FS431024 Evaluation of the rollout and implementation of the Pre-Packed for Direct Sale (PPDS) Requirements which came into effect in October 2021

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

On 1 October 2021 new pre-packed for direct sale (PPDS) allergen labelling requirements came into effect in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland. This change meant that PPDS foods must be labelled with a full list of ingredients, with allergens² emphasised.

We are looking to commission a contractor who can design and deliver a mixed method evaluation of these new requirements. The evaluation should engage three key stakeholder groups to build a holistic picture of the new labelling requirements' effects:

- consumers with food hypersensitivities (FHS consumers), who were the intended beneficiaries of the changes.
- food business operators (FBOs), who are responsible for implementing the changes within their businesses.
- local authorities (LAs), who are responsible for monitoring FBO compliance with food safety regulations, of which PPDS is one part.

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: £192,673.15

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-018189](#)

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

27 September 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IFF Research Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £192,673.15

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Food Standards Agency

YORK

Country

United Kingdom