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Contract

Provision of Poultry Culling Services Framework Agreement

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046eb4

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of Poultry Culling Services Framework Agreement

Reference number

C27004

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77500000 - Animal husbandry services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

APHA are seeking to replace the current framework with a new framework for the provision of Poultry Culling Services.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Containerised Gassing Unit (CGU) Services & Poultry Catching Services

Lot No

Lot 1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77500000 - Animal husbandry services

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

For Containerised Gassing Unit (CGU) services, including the Supply of Gasses and Poultry Catching Services. Designed to provide a fully comprehensive Service for both the catching and culling of birds using CGUs.

Containerised Gassing Units (CGUs) may be required to deal with depopulation activities on a poultry farm. Trained operatives should be provided as part of this service, as should the CGU, poultry catchers and required gas.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability (Including Social Value) / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Poultry Catching Services

Lot No

Lot 2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77500000 - Animal husbandry services

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

For assisting the Authority in catching poultry in a welfare friendly manner prior to any other process being undertaken.

Poultry catchers are required to humanely catch birds, either prior to inspection, or prior to culling. Housing layouts will vary, from caged to free range poultry units. Large numbers of catchers may be required to provide the service in a very short time frame.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability (Including Social Value) / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - Supply of Gasses for Containerised Gassing Units (CGUs)

Lot No

Lot 3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 24100000 - Gases

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

For allowing the Authority and/or Other Contracting Body's to request the gas needed for use in their own CGUs.

A variety of gases may be required to support disease control operations. Generally, this would be a combination of carbon dioxide and oxygen-free inert gas (argon or nitrogen) – although there is a possibility that other gas mixtures may be required from time to time.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability (Including Social Value) / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 40

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - Whole House Gassing (WHG) Services

Lot No

Lot 4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77500000 - Animal husbandry services

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

For Whole House Gassing Services for large scale depopulation activities.

Whole House Gassing Services may be required to deal with large scale depopulation activities on a poultry farm. Trained operatives should be provided as part of this service, as should the equipment and required gas.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability (Including Social Value) / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

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.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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 000-039768](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Containerised Gassing Unit (CGU) Services & Poultry Catching Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Livetec Systems Ltd

Capability House, Wrest Park,

Silsoe, Bedfordshire

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+44 1525863936

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07427051

Internet address

www.livetecsystems.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

HallMark Meat Hygiene Ltd

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Stroud

GL6 0DD

Telephone

+44 7793627383

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

04415388

Internet address

<https://www.hallmarkvcs.com>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Poultry Catching Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Meraxian Limited

3 Diamond Way, Stone Business Park, ,

Stone, Staffordshire

ST15 0SD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07548570

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

3

Title

Supply of Gasses for Containerised Gassing Units (CGUs)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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25 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

4

Title

Whole House Gassing (WHG) Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07427051

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £0.01 / Highest offer: £30,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

4

Title

Whole House Gassing (WHG) Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

National registration number

17063239

Internet address

<https://vaneckbv.nl/nl>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Framework throughput threshold is set at £30,000,000.
However, the Authority reserves the right to increase the Framework threshold to £75,000,000 in the event of a significant or sustained outbreak.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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