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Contract

Additives and Food Improvement Agents Testing for Northern Ireland

Food Standards Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-045a34

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Food Standards Agency

YO1 7PR

York

7PR

Email

fsa.commercial@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

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Additives and Food Improvement Agents Testing for Northern Ireland

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The National Reference Laboratory(ies) for Feed Additives and Food Improvement Agents for Northern Ireland (NI) will play a vital role in protecting consumers from feeds containing harmful or unauthorised additives or from foods containing unauthorised Food Improvement Agents. The NRL will provide specialist advice as requested by the FSA and technical support to the NI enforcement process for food, feed and products thereof.

This is a dual lot tender. Tenders are invited to bid for one lot or both lots together; please provide details of any applicable discount for multiple awards within the Financial Template.

The designated laboratory(ies) will carry out the provision of Services for the NRLs for NI for the following areas:

Lot 1 NRL for Additives for use in Animal Nutrition

Lot 2 NRL for Food Improvement Agents

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

The value of the Contract is estimated to be between £0 - £174,000 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: £174,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This project is to procure National Reference Laboratories (NRLs) for Northern Ireland (NI)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Tender Summary and objectives / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Plan and Deliverables / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Organisational experience, expertise and staff effort / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Project Management / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Risk Management / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Quality management, ethics, data protection, dissemination and sustainability / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / 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

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 000-015627](#)

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

1 October 2024

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

Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety (AGES)

Institute for Food Safety Vienna Spargelfeldstrasse 191 Vienna Austria 1120

Vienna

1120

Country

Austria

NUTS code

- AT - Austria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £174,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £174,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom