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## **Provision of Poultry Culling Services Framework Agreement**

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

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.3) Communication**

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

<https://atamis-9529.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**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 Poultry Culling Services Framework Agreement.

The intention is to appoint multiple suppliers within all Lots of the Framework as this will provide APHA and other GB government authorities with maximum capacity and capability to respond endemic and exotic, notifiable and reportable poultry disease outbreaks (i.e., Avian Influenza) throughout England, Scotland and Wales.

The services required will be split into four (4) Lots:

Lot 1 (Containerised Gassing Unit (CGU) services, including the Supply of Gasses and Poultry Catching Services)

Lot 2 (Poultry Catching Services)

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

Lot 4 (Whole House Gassing (WHG) services)

Suppliers will be expected to be at a readiness level that will enable them to respond and deploy to emergency situations within six (6) to twelve (12) hours of a request being raised, including weekends and public holidays.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £30,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **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

### **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**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

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

## **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

### **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**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

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

## **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)**

- 77500000 - Animal husbandry services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **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**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

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

### **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

### **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**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

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



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## **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

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

This framework agreement will be for 4 years (48 months) only

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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-017882](#)

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

Date

22 January 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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

22 January 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Market Engagement in 2027

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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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**

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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<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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