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Supply of Badger BCG Vaccine (Defra)

Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

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Scope

Description

The purpose of this Transparency Notice is to announce the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra) intention to enter into a contract for supply of BadgerBCG (*Mycobacterium bovis* Bacillus Calmette-Guérin) for the vaccination of badgers to support the UK Government Bovine Tuberculosis (BtB) Strategy

Contract 1. Supply of Badger BCG for Badger Vaccination Projects

Supplier

- AJ Vaccines

Contract value

- £1,532,362.88 excluding VAT
- £1,838,835.46 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

26 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2028
- Possible extension to 30 September 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Optional 24-month extension

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33651690 - Vaccines for veterinary medicine

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

BadgerBCG (BCG Danish Strain 1331) is a specific licenced and approved veterinary product for use in badgers. AJ Vaccines are the only organisation that manufacture BadgerBCG.

BadgerBCG is the only vaccine that has been granted UK Marketing Authorisation (MA) by the Veterinary Medicines Directorate (VMD) for use in badgers to control TB.

Although unauthorised vaccines and strains of BCG may be used in badgers, this would only be in exceptional circumstances where there is no suitable UK-authorized veterinary medicine available.

Supplier

AJ Vaccines

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBBW-3256-JNRH

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

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