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Award

Livestock Methane measuring devices (Sniffers) and associated services

Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board

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Scope

Reference

STA10264

Description

Procurement of Livestock Methane measuring devices (Sniffers) and associated services; e.g. maintenance

Contract 1

Supplier

- Tecnosens S.p.A.

Contract value

- 261260 EUR excluding VAT
- 313512 EUR including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

8 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 12 January 2026 to 31 March 2028
- Possible extension to 31 March 2029
- 3 years, 2 months, 20 days

Description of possible extension:

The option to extend for a two 12-month periods. If required, this allows for ongoing maintenance and software support.

Main procurement category

Goods

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

If required, the purchase of more equipment and associated services.

CPV classifications

- 16600000 - Specialist agricultural or forestry machinery
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

A market review of methane sniffer technologies was conducted in September 2025. The assessment focused on commercially available systems at Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 9, suitable for deployment in commercial farm environments. Essential requirements being

- Accuracy and repeatability of gas measurements
- Dust and water resistance at IP65 and durability for operation in dairy housing environments
- Proven temperature range operational stability for UK farm setups
- Low maintenance burden and minimal need for operational recalibration
- Online technical support for operational and software queries
- Remote monitoring capability to enable continuous data collection and integration

The products to be purchased are determined to be the only option meeting the full set of essential requirements tested and proven as suitable for use in the applicable harsh environments of cattle sheds with appropriate operating resistance to water and dust

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

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