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1	27/10/20	Will clarifications be responded to as they are received, or will you be circulating the responses on 16 November?	We'll aim to respond to the clarifications as they are received and before the cut-off deadline for the clarification response.	28/10/20
2	27/10/20	Will clarification responses be circulated to all bidders?	Yes.	28/10/20
3	27/10/20	If we have a commercially sensitive clarification and mark it as such, can the response be given directly to us rather than being fully circulated (if that is the process)?	Yes.	28/10/20
4	28/10/20	Please can you confirm that TUPE does not apply to this contract.	As per point 2.14 within the Invitation to Tender document, SCCL considers that it is unlikely that TUPE will apply.	4/11/20

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5	28/10/20	The duration of the contract is 3 years, which means that there will be an overlap with the introduction of EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility). Please can you clarify if the contract value takes account of the changes to producer costs under this new regime.	No.	5/11/20
6	28/10/20	In question 2, please can you clarify what is meant by 'reporting mechanism'?	This refers to how you will ensure that all reports are accurate and types of your reports.	4/11/20
7	28/10/20	The instructions on word limits and attachments are clear. Please can you clarify if the addition to links to demonstrative videos to illustrate responses will be acceptable?	Yes, this wordcount should be included in the overall limits	4/11/20
8	28/10/20	We have calculated an approximate product count of 130,637 based on what we assume is the product code in the example data files. Is this correct?	There are 130,652 products in the last submission data.	4/11/20

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9	28/10/20	The specification requires us to ' <i>endeavour to match product data to the packaging data to assign packaging weights for each of the products listed in the product data</i> ' Will you be providing any packaging weights data? If so, is it possible to see any example data files?	The data for matching will be sourced by the provider by contacting the necessary suppliers.	4/11/20
10	28/10/20	Please can you confirm that you are expecting us to complete your plastic tax calculations/submission as part of this service?	Yes.	5/11/20
11	28/11/20	Please can you clarify if you have any other specific reporting requirements in addition to the below? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Methodology report</i> ○ <i>Total tonnages by materials and data tables</i> ○ <i>Total tonnage by material and data tables broken down by each file making up the calculation –</i> with regards to this particular report, is this for internal use/sign-off purposes, or would you be looking for a separate packaging data submission form to be completed for each file type?	That's correct. The bidders are invited to provide any additional suggestions on reporting if available. In terms of the point: <i>Total tonnage by material and data tables broken down by each file making up the calculation –</i> with regards to this particular report, is this for internal use/sign-off purposes, or would you be looking for a separate packaging data submission form to be completed for each file type? Yes, this is for internal use/ sign off purposes.	4/11/20

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12	03/11/20	Do you supply directly to the NHS or is it their stock that goes to other supplies / retail / pharmacies.	NHS Supply Chain supplies directly to the NHS and NHS related bodies e.g. NHS hospitals, GP Surgeries, Care homes and Clinics	4/11/20
13	03/11/20	Please can you send what you sent to your scheme that last time they calculated your data?	This is included in the tender pack.	4/11/20
14	03/11/20	Please can you also clarify packaging levels and source?	Please note this is contained in the spreadsheet available with the tender pack.	5/11/20
15	5/11/20	In relation to the 800 suppliers, would you wish for us to contact 100% of them to collect weights data?	We will accept the industry standards in terms of methodology.	5/11/20

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16	5.11.20	<p>Would be able to provide any further information</p> <p>Packaging levels, i.e. primary, secondary or transit?</p> <p>Packaging source i.e. UK or imported</p> <p>End user i.e. UK or exported NHS or care home</p> <p>Will you be providing an established weights database or would this project be started from scratch which would mean contacting all 800 suppliers and/or weighing packaging</p>	<p>We cannot provide additional data at this stage.</p> <p>We do not have an established weights database, therefore the winning provider is required to contact all the suppliers accordingly to the industry standards.</p>	10/11/20