

Campden BRI (Chipping Campden) Ltd Station Road Chipping Campden GL55 6LD

Attn:
By email to:

Date: 02/12/2022 Our ref: FS431160

Dear

## Supply of International Review of the Literature and Guidance on Food Allergen Cleaning

Following your tender/ proposal for the supply of International Review of the Literature and Guidance on Food Allergen Cleaning to Food Standards Agency, we are pleased confirm our intention to award this contract to you.

The attached contract details ("**Order Form**"), contract conditions and the **Annexes** set out the terms of the contract between Food Standards Agency for the provision of the deliverables set out in the Order Form.

We thank you for your co-operation to date and look forward to forging a successful working relationship resulting in a smooth and successful delivery of the deliverables. Please confirm your acceptance of the Conditions by signing and returning the Order Form. No other form of acknowledgement will be accepted. Please remember to include the reference number above in any future communications relating to this contract.

We will then arrange for Order Form to be countersigned which will create a binding contract between us.

Yours faithfully,

Commercial Category Manager



# **Order Form**

1. Contract Reference	FS431160	
2. Date	[Insert dat	te on which the last party signs]
3. Buyer	Clive Hou 70 Petty F London SW1H 9E	rance X
4. Supplier	Campden Campden) Station Ro Chipping ( GL55 6LD	oad Campden
5. The Contract	set out i ("Condition Unless the Order Form In the eve this Order Please do	lier shall supply the deliverables described below on the terms in this Order Form and the attached contract conditions ons") and any <i>Annexes</i> .  It context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions used in this in have the same meanings as in Conditions.  Int of any conflict between this Order Form and the Conditions, Form shall prevail.  Into attach any Supplier terms and conditions to this Order Form II not be accepted by the Buyer and may delay conclusion of the
6. Deliverables	Goods	None



	Services	See Annex 3 - Technical Proposal
		To be performed at the Suppliers Premises
7. Specification	The specif	ication of the Deliverables is as set out in Annex 2
8. Term	and the Ex 31/03/202	shall commence on  2  Apiry Date shall be  3 unless it is otherwise extended or terminated in accordance rms and conditions of the Contract.
9. Charges	The Charg	es for the Deliverables shall be as set out in <b>Annex 4.</b>
10. Payment	Within [10 letter, we walid PO N To avoid of that it incluand the de Contract N	Working Days of receipt of your countersigned copy of this will send you a unique PO Number. You must be in receipt of a lumber before submitting an invoice.  Itelay in payment it is important that the invoice is compliant and ides a valid PO Number, PO Number item number (if applicable) etails (name and telephone number) of your Buyer contact (i.e. Manager). Non-compliant invoices will be sent back to you, which to a delay in payment.



11. Buyer Authorised Representative(s )	For general liaison your contact will continue to be
12. Address for notices	Buyer:  FSA Commercial Food Standards Agency Foss House Peasholme Green YO1 7PR  Supplier:  Campden BRI (Chipping Campden) Ltd Station Road Chipping Campden GL55 6LD with a copy by email to support@campdenbri.co.uk
13. Key Personnel	See Annex 3 – Technical Proposal
14. Procedures and Policies	The Buyer may require the Supplier to ensure that any person employed in the delivery of the Deliverables has undertaken a Disclosure and Barring Service check.  The Supplier shall ensure that no person who discloses that he/she has a conviction that is relevant to the nature of the Contract, relevant to the work of the Buyer, or is of a type otherwise advised by the Buyer (each such conviction a "Relevant Conviction"), or is found by the Supplier to have a Relevant Conviction (whether as a result of a police check, a Disclosure and Barring Service check or otherwise) is employed or engaged in the provision of any part of the Deliverables.



Signed for and on behalf of the Supplier	Signed for and on behalf of the <b>Buyer</b>
Name:	Name:
Date:	Date:
Signature:	Signature:



# **Annex 1 – Authorised Processing Template**

Contract:	FS431160 International Review of the Literature and
	Guidance on Food Allergen Cleaning
Date:	
Date.	
Description Of	Details
Authorised Processing	
1 -	This should be a high level, short description of what the
processing	processing is about i.e. its subject matter of the contract.
	Example: The processing is needed in order to ensure that
	the Processor can effectively deliver the contract to provide
	a service to members of the public. ]
Duration of the processing	[Clearly set out the duration of the processing including
	dates]
Nature and purposes of	[Please be as specific as possible, but make sure that you cover all intended purposes.
the processing	cover all interided purposes.
	The nature of the processing means any operation such as
	collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage,
	adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use,
	disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise
	making available, alignment or combination, restriction,
	erasure or destruction of data (whether or not by automated means) etc.
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	The purpose might include: employment processing,
	statutory obligation, recruitment assessment etc]
Type of Personal Data	[Examples here include: name, address, date of birth, NI
	number, telephone number, pay, images, biometric data etc]
Categories of Data Subject	[Examples include: Staff (including volunteers, agents, and
	temporary workers), customers/ clients, suppliers, patients,
	students / pupils, members of the public, users of a
	particular
	website etc]



## **Annex 2 - Specification**

# THE SPECIFICATION, INCLUDING PROJECT TIMETABLE AND EVALUATION OF TENDERS

## **GENERAL INTRODUCTION**

The Food Standards Agency is an independent Government department working across England, Wales and Northern Ireland to protect public health and consumers wider interest in food. We make sure food is safe and what it says it is.

The Agency is committed to openness, transparency and equality of treatment to all suppliers. As well as these principles, for science projects the final project report will be published on the Food Standards Agency website (<u>www.food.gov.uk</u>). For science projects we will encourage contractors to publish their work in peer reviewed scientific publications wherever possible. Also, in line with the Government's Transparency Agenda which aims to encourage more open access to data held by government, the Agency is developing a policy on the release of underpinning data from all of its science- and evidence-gathering projects. Data should be made freely available in an accessible format, as fully and as promptly as possible. Consideration should be given to data management as new contracts are being negotiated. Resource implications for this should be taken into account. The mechanism for publishing underpinning data should allow the widest opportunity for to enable its reuse. Where possible, underpinning data should be included in the final project report. Where data are included in the final report in pdf format, they should also be published separately in a format that can be used for further analysis. Large data sets can be provided separately in an annex to the report, and published, where possible, alongside the final report online Where it is more appropriate to publish underpinning data in an existing database, archive, repository or other community resource, or for data to be saved in a specialist proprietary format, information will be provided on how the data can be accessed. There will be some circumstances where release of data may need to be restricted or anonymised for reasons of commercial and/or personal sensitivities.

This work is being commissioned under the FSA's Food Hypersensitivity programme. The programme aims to improve the quality of life for people living with food hypersensitivities and support them to make safe and informed choices to effectively manage risk. This work will particularly support the Precautionary Allergen Labelling (PAL) policy area.

PAL should be used when there is an unavoidable risk of the unintended presence of an allergen that cannot be sufficiently controlled. Small & Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) face difficulties in assessing whether the risk of allergen cross-contact has been sufficiently controlled, because without routine testing, there is uncertainity as to how effective control measures - in particular cleaning - are.

Evidence gathered from stakeholders has shown that uncertainty around the effectiveness of allergen cleaning is a notable barrier to effective use of PAL, because testing for allergens to validate cleaning is typically only feasible for the largest food businesses.

This review will be a starting point in co-developing allergen cleaning guidance with industry to support judicious application of PAL: it will review evidence and identify gaps to inform any further research and guidance development.



## A. THE SPECIFICATION

## **Background**

The Food Information Regulation (FIR) states that accurate and understandable allergen information needs to be supplied to consumers for the 14 regulated allergens to protect consumers, because 1-2% of the UK population have a food hypersensitivity, with some allergens leading to hospital admissions with anaphylaxis.

Food businesses have a legal responsibility to provide food that is safe, which means declaring allergens present as ingredients and warning consumers about their potential unintended presence due to cross-contact by providing precautionary allergen labels (PAL) or information (PAI), which are voluntary statements indicating that a regulated allergen could be unintentionally present in a product, posing a risk to consumers with food hypersensitivity.

The warning is communicated on prepacked food products using a number of different phrases, the most common being 'may contain...' or on non-prepacked foods as information provided orally, or in another written format (for example on a menu or sign). PAL and PAI should only be provided if an unavoidable risk of allergen cross-contact has been identified following a risk assessment that cannot be sufficiently controlled through risk management actions, which are predominantly segregation and cleaning.

It can be relatively straightforward for food businesses to ensure that segregation is an effective control measure (for example, sealed containers can be used to prevent cross-contact) but the effectiveness of cleaning is not normally known, unless swabs of equipment surfaces are regularly tested, which is too resource intensive for many food businesses.

This work will provide us with a greater understanding of the allergen cleaning literature and guidance available internationally. It is known that food allergens are proteins that can easily attach to different equipment surfaces and are difficult to remove, so thorough cleaning that is effective in reducing the risks of allergen cross-contact is essential.

The output of this critical review will be a report to inform the FSA on how best to take guidance development forward. It will review evidence and highlight gaps, identifying how critical they are.

## The Specification

Applicants are invited to submit tenders to carry out a desk-based literature and guidance review of the cleaning methodologies available for the 14 regulated allergens in the UK, including the key stages and principles of allergen cleaning and effective approaches, and assess the extent to which they are underpinned by an appropriate evidence base. The requirements have been outlined below in detail. The applicant should ideally provide a summary table as part of the review.

## Requirements:

- Include the 14 regulated allergens, in the typical forms they are found within food and how they can be cleaned from common food contact surfaces.
- The different cleaning methods and approaches found within peer-review articles, 'grey' literature, and national and international guidance documents with key steps in the methods outlined.
- The organisation and author that produced the guidance or article and the source country.
- The cost/benefits of each approach taking into account key factors such as cost, effectiveness, complexity etc. where this information is available.



- Specific limitations of each method.
- Principles for validation and verification of the cleaning method.
- The strength and statistical significance of the evidence base, including key evidence gaps.
- All sources of information should be referenced where applicable, to ensure validity and reliability

## **Project Outputs**

It is anticipated that the following will be delivered to the FSA as part of this work:

- A full technical report providing an overview of the relevant food allergen cleaning principles available in the literature and national and international guidance documents, ideally, including a table summarising key information.
- The report will need to cover the 14 regulated allergens, in the different forms they are found within food stuffs and a range of common food surfaces, and include:
  - the author(s) and source country of the guidance or scientific paper
  - o the method including key steps to be followed
  - cost/benefits (e.g. cost, effectiveness, complexity etc.) where this information is available
  - o limitations of each method
  - supporting evidence and evidence gaps
  - validation and verification principles, including different testing methods (e.g. rapid allergen test swabs or ATP) both that can be conducted on premises or by an accredited analytical laboratory
- A full database of all the relevant publications and guidance included should be provided to the FSA and in a format suitable for publication on the FSA website (Data Catalog page).
- A protocol document which summarises the systematic approach used to perform the review, to ensure it is both transparent and reproducible.

## **Format**

All reports must be formatted in line with FSA accessibility guidelines – the most up to date version of which should be checked prior to writing the report. They must be submitted in Microsoft word format. These requirements additionally include (but are not limited to):

- Use a sans serif font (for example Arial, Helvetica), with a minimum font size of 12 points
- Use left aligned text, not justified
- Avoid chunks of italicised or capitalised text



- Only use underlines to indicate links
- Use standard bullets for lists
- Use styles and headings to structure your content, and ensure these are in the right order (for example, in Microsoft Word, heading 1 followed by heading 2)
- Ensure that all tables are simple (no split/merged cells) and have column and row headers

## 3.5 months is the delivery period.

## Cost

The onus is on the contractor(s) to provide the costings they believe that is reasonable to meet the evidence gap as outlined in this survey specification and provide the justification of this within their proposal. The contractor(s) should be aware that one of the key criteria that all research proposals are evaluated against is 'value for money' which is delivering the survey asked for in this specification (including the anticipated outputs and benefits) at a competitive price'. At a competitive price this has been estimated between £30-45k.

## Risk

The contractor to provide details of any relevant perceived risks in undertaking this project, as delays due to business or personnel needs to be mitigated.

## **Data protection**

Handling published research <u>may</u> require you to comply with the copy right. Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA), and a privacy notice may be required, which will be reviewed by the FSA data security team.

Ensure the roles and responsibilities of the Controller, usually FSA, and the Processor, usually supplier, are set out clearly in this specification.

The contractor should outline within their tender whether they anticipate any Personal Data will be collected as part of the surveillance. If so, it should be included a description of how their tender will comply with the GDPR, recognising the commissioning authority's role as the 'data controller' and the contractors' role as the 'data processor', and responding to the sections below. If successful you may also be asked to carry out a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA), and a privacy notice may be required, which will be reviewed by the FSA data security team.

## Data security

Please confirm in your tender that you have in place, or that you will have in place by contract award, the human and technical resources to perform the contract to ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation and to ensure the protection of the rights of data subjects.

Please provide details of the technical facilities and measures (including systems and processes) you have in place, or will have in place by contract award, to ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation and to ensure the protection of the rights of data subjects. Your response should include, but should not be limited to facilities and measures:



- to ensure ongoing confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of processing systems and services.
- to comply with the rights of data subjects in respect of receiving privacy information, and access, rectification, deletion and portability of personal data.
- to ensure that any consent-based processing meets standards of active, informed consent, and that such consents are recorded and auditable.
- to ensure legal safeguards are in place to legitimise transfers of personal data outside the EU (if such transfers will take place);
- o to maintain records of personal data processing activities; and
- o to regularly test, assess and evaluate the effectiveness of the above measures.'



## **Annex 3 – Technical Proposal**

# Tender Application form for a project with the Food Standards Agency



- Applicants should complete each part of this application as fully and as clearly as possible
- Brief instructions are given in the grey boxes at the start of each section.
- Please submit the application through the Agency's eSourcing Portal (Bravo) by the deadline set in the invitation to tender document.

LEAD APPLICA	ANT'S DETAILS					
Surname		First Name				Title
Organisation	Campden BRI	Department				
Street Address	Station Road				_	
Town/City	Chipping Campden	Country	UK	Posto	code GL5	5 6LD
Telephone No		E-mail Address				
recommendation 2	n is a <b>small and medium enterprise</b> . (EU 003/361/EC refers <u>v.uk/manuals/cirdmanual/cird92800.htm</u> )				No	x

## **TENDER SUMMARY**

#### **TENDER TITLE**

International Review of the Literature and Guidance on Food Allergen Cleaning

TENDER REFERENCE	FS431160		
PROPOSED START	[28/11/2022]	PROPOSED END DATE	[17/03/2022]

## 1: TENDER SUMMARY AND OBJECTIVES

## A. TENDER SUMMARY

Please give a brief summary of the proposed work in no more than 400 words.

The aim of the proposed work is to present to the FSA information from international literature and guidance (English language only) relating to the removal of food allergens from common food contact surfaces in food processing and food service environments, gathered during a literature review. The work will inform the FSA of gaps in the available information and guidance and will provide advice on further research and the development of guidance to meet the needs of different sectors within the food industry.

The 3 outputs from the proposed work are:

- a protocol document to describe the approach used to perform the literature review.
- a bibliographic database, presented in Excel, of all relevant publications and guidance.
- a full technical report detailing the results of the literature review and including a summary table.

The process of generating the report will involve querying databases with defined search terms. These terms will be used to identify peer-reviewed literature in the public domain. In addition, a search of trade press and grey literature, such as corporate white papers, guidance and policy documents



will be performed to expand the view of the final report beyond academic journals. The protocol document will detail the process and search terms used to perform the literature review. The bibliographic database will contain details, and links to full texts in accordance with copyright law, for all the referenced pieces of literature.

Within the report, each piece of literature will be summarised to include the source of the information or guidance, the cleaning method, cost/benefits (where this information is available), limitations of the cleaning method and supporting evidence. Information will also be provided on validation and verification principles. A summary table will be provided.

Each piece of literature will be scored for reliability, using defined criteria, thus enabling visualisation of evidence gaps. Advice will be provided within the report on how best to take guidance development forward.

Campden BRI's expertise in food allergens, in particular the publication of guidance on validation of cleaning to remove food allergens, our knowledge of testing for food allergens and experience of working with food and drink companies to manage food allergens in food processing and food service environments, means that we are best placed to offer advice on future research requirements and the development of guidance on cleaning to remove food allergens.

#### B. OBJECTIVES AND RELEVANCE OF THE PROPOSED WORK TO THE FSA TENDER REQUIREMENT

#### **OBJECTIVES**

Please detail how your proposed work can assist the agency in meeting it stated objectives and policy needs. Please number the objectives and add a short description. Please add more lines as necessary.

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<b>OBJECTIVE NUMBER</b>	OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION
1	LITERATURE SEARCH DEFINED AND ACHIEVED
2	LITERATURE SCORING FOR RELIABILITY DEFINED
3	BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATABASE OF SOURCES COMPILED
4	PROTOCOL DOCUMENT ON THE APPROACH USED TO PERFORM THE REVIEW WRITTEN
5	LITERATURE SCORED FOR RELIABILITY
6	FULL TECHNICAL REPORT ON AVAILABLE INFORMATION WRITTEN
7	ADVICE ON HOW BEST TO TAKE GUIDANCE DEVELOPMENT FORWARD WRITTEN

#### 2: DESCRIPTION OF APPROACH/SCOPE OF WORK

## A. APPROACH/SCOPE OF WORK

Please describe how you will meet our specification and summarise how you will deliver your solution. You must explain the approach for the proposed work. Describe and justify the approach, methodology and study design, where applicable, that will be used to address the specific requirements and realise the objectives outlined above. Where relevant (e.g. for an analytical survey), please also provide details of the sampling plan.

The proposed work will consist of a review of peer-reviewed literature in the public domain, trade press and grey literature, such as corporate white papers, national and international guidance, and policy documents (in the English language only). The review will be performed against a set of criteria (detailed in the plan below). Each piece of literature will be graded for reliability (detailed in the plan below) and will be summarised in a full technical report, which will detail gaps in the current knowledge base and advice on how to develop guidance on cleaning to remove food allergens.

A protocol document on how the review was undertaken will be provided as well as a bibliographic database of sources in Excel to act as an evidence base.

## **B. INNOVATION**

Please provide details of any aspect of the proposed work which are considered innovative in design and/or application? e.g. Introduction of new or significant improved products, services, methods, processes, markets and forms of organization

The methodology proposed will result in a review that can be easily updated when required and compared to a previous version, or on an ongoing basis. The bibliographical database in Excel will be straightforward to add to and will be in a format suitable for publication on the FSA website (Data Catalog page).



#### 3: THE PROJECT PLAN AND DELIVERABLES

## A. THE PLAN

Please provide a detailed project plan including, the tasks and sub-tasks required to realise the objectives (detailed in Part 1). The tasks should be numbered in the same way as the objectives and should be clearly linked to each of the objectives. Please also attach a flow chart illustrating the proposed plan.

#### 1. Literature search defined and achieved

1.1 Databases to be searched and parameters of searches defined

Literature searches made for the proposed work will be performed on literature spanning 2012 to 2022 (to be confirmed with FSA) and including English language texts only. This strategy borrows from the methodology of a systematic review, however, does not follow the constraints of the method in order to provide a wider variety of information sources.

Searches for peer-reviewed articles will be performed using Food Science and Technology Abstracts (FSTA). This service offers a comprehensive check on literature that ensures only high-quality food-related peer-reviewed articles are returned to the searcher.

Other sources of information will be:

- Government websites.
- Major organisation websites such as EFSA (https://www.efsa.europa.eu).
- Trade association websites.
- · Other trusted websites as recommended by experts.

#### 1.2 Definition of literature search terms

Exact search terms to be used will be determined in consultation with Campden BRI experts and the FSA management team. Examples are:

ALLERGEN ALLERGENS FOOD ALLERGENS CLEANING REMOVAL VALIDATION

Used in appropriate combinations

As the review is to cover all 14 regulated allergens in the UK, in the typical forms they are found within food and how they can be cleaned from common food contact surfaces, then this will be taken into account when defining the search terms.

The terms will be submitted to FSA for review and potential revision before being used.

1.3 Conduct literature search

The literature search will be conducted in line with the agreed parameters. All sources of information will be referenced where applicable, to ensure validity and reliability. Once the literature search has been achieved and sources identified, a meeting will be held with FSA to present the results and ensure the tender requirements are being addressed.

#### 2. Literature scoring for reliability defined

2.1 Decide on literature scoring criteria

The scoring system for the identified articles will be based on perceived reliability; the exact system will be determined in consultation with Campden BRI experts and the FSA management team. An example scoring system would be:

- 1 Blogs
- 2 Trade press and industry information
- 3 White papers and other guidelines
- 4 Government guidelines
- 5 Peer-reviewed literature

#### 2.2 Document the literature scoring system

Literature scoring criteria will be documented in a format that can be incorporated into the full technical report when this is being compiled.

#### 3. Bibliographic database of sources compiled



#### 3.1 Bibliographic database structure defined

The structure of the bibliographic database will be defined, it is intended that the database will be in the form of an Excel spreadsheet. The headings of the columns within the spreadsheet will pertain to the information it contains and will include for example the authors, source country and company and/or organisation responsible for the guidance or scientific paper, digital object identifier (DOI), abstract and links to full texts in accordance with copyright law.

3.2 Bibliographic database complied

The bibliographic database will be compiled in Excel using the Microsoft Forms data input form.

#### 4. Protocol document on the approach used to perform the review written

4.1 Structure of protocol document agreed

The protocol document will describe the approach used to perform the review to ensure it is both transparent and reproducible. The structure of the document (including sections, headings, and sub-headings) will be agreed in consultation with the FSA.

4.2 Protocol document written

The protocol document will be written to summarise the methodology used to execute the review. The document will be formatted in line with FSA accessibility guidelines and formatting requirements.

#### 5. Literature scored for reliability

5.1 Assign a score to each piece of literature

Using the literature scoring criteria defined in Objective 2, each piece of literature will be scored based on its reliability.

5.2 Spread of data summarised

The spread of data based on the scoring levels will be summarised. It is envisaged this summary will be in the form of a box plot, but this depends on the amount of data discovered during the literature review. The spread of data will be used to inform the 'strength' of the evidence base by relating the 'strength' to the reliability score.

#### 6. Full technical report on available information written

6.1 Structure of the full written report agreed

The structure of the full written report (including sections, headings, and sub-headings) will be agreed in consultation with the FSA.

6.2 Writing of the body of the full written report

The full written report will provide an overview of the relevant food allergen cleaning principles available and effective approaches detailed in the literature and national and international guidance documents. The report will include for each fully referenced piece of literature:

- the cleaning methods and approaches found, including the key stages
- the cost/benefits of each approach taking into account key factors such as cost, effectiveness, complexity etc. where this information is available
- · specific limitations of each method
- supporting evidence and evidence gaps
- validation and verification principles, including different testing methods that can be conducted on premises or by an accredited analytical laboratory
  - 6.3 Summarising of the available data

The data, as outlined in 6.2 above will be summarised in a summary table, or tables relating to specific areas, as applicable.

6.4 Identification and summarising of evidence gaps

The summary table produced in 6.3 above and the spread of summarised data from 5.2 above will be used to identify evidence gaps. These will be summarised in the full technical report.

6.5 Comment made on criticality of evidence gaps

Using the knowledge of Campden BRI experts', comments will be made on the criticality of evidence gaps.

#### 7. Advice on how best to take guidance development forward written

7.1 Information provided on research needs



The evidence gaps identified in 6.4 above will be used to inform research needs. In particular, there will be a focus on information required to aid Small & Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) to establish the effectiveness of cleaning as a control measure to reduce or mitigate allergen cross-contact, being cognizant that testing for allergens to validate cleaning is typically only feasible for the largest food businesses. Campden BRI experts will provide advice and recommendations on research needs.

7.2 Advice provided on future steps for development of guidance

Campden BRI experts will provide advice on development of guidance on allergen cleaning, to support the FSA's Food Hypersensitivity programme, in particular, the Precautionary Allergen Labelling (PAL) and Precautionary Allergen Information (PAI) policy areas.

#### **B. DELIVERABLES**

Please outline the proposed project milestones and deliverables. Please provide a timetable of key dates or significant events for the project (for example fieldwork dates, dates for provision of research materials, draft and final reporting). Deliverables must be linked to the objectives.

For larger or more complex projects please insert as many deliverables /milestones as required. Each deliverable should be:

- i. no more 100 characters in length
- ii. self-explanatory
- iii. cross referenced with objective numbers i.e. deliverables for Objective 1 01/01, 01/02 Objective 2 02/01, 02/02 etc

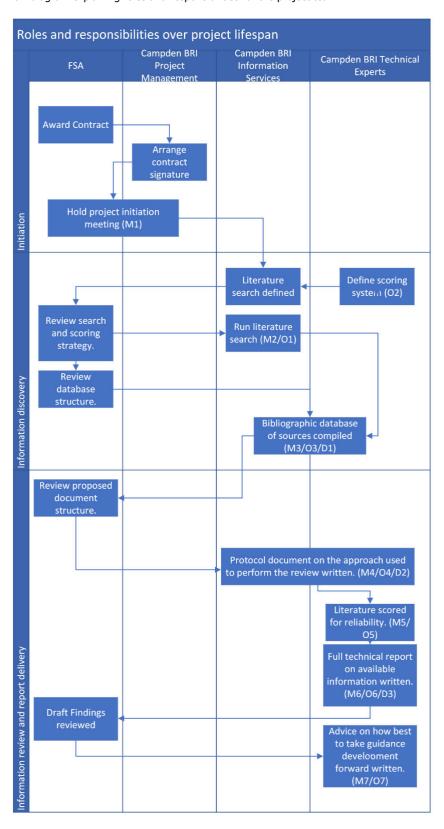
Please insert additional rows to the table below as required.

A final deliverable pertaining to a retention fee of 20 % of the total value of the prosed work will automatically be calculated on the financial template.

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DELIVERABLE NUMBER OR MILESTONE IN ORDER OF EXPECTED	TARGET DATE	TITLE OF DELIVERABLEOR MILESTONE
M1	28/11/2022	PROJECT INITIATION MEETING
M2 / O1	31/12/2022	LITERATURE SEARCH DEFINED AND ACHIEVED
O2	31/12/2022	LITERATURE SCORING FOR RELIABILITY DEFINED
M3 / O3 / D1	31/01/2023	BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATABASE OF SOURCES COMPILED
M4 / O4 / D2	31/01/2023	PROTOCOL DOCUMENT ON THE APPROACH USED TO PERFORM THE REVIEW WRITTEN
M5 / O5	17/02/2023	LITERATURE SCORED FOR RELIABILITY
M6 / O6 / D3	17/03/2023	FULL TECHNICAL REPORT ON AVAILABLE INFORMATION WRITTEN
M7 / O7	17/03/2023	ADVICE ON HOW BEST TO TAKE GUIDANCE DEVELOPMENT FORWARD WRITTEN



Flow diagram explaining roles and responsibilities for the project team





## 4: ORGANISATIONAL EXPERIENCE, EXPERTISE and STAFF EFFORT

#### A. PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS' PAST PERFORMANCE

Please provide evidence of up to three similar projects that the project lead applicant and/or members of the project team are currently undertaking or have recently completed. Please include:

- The start date (and if applicable) the end date of the project/(s)
- Name of the client who commissioned the project?
- · Details of any collaborative partners and their contribution
- The value
- A brief description of the work carried out.
- How the example(s) demonstrate the relevant skills and/or expertise.
- What skills the team used to ensure the project (s) were successfully delivered.

FSA101230 "Comparing international food production processes to assess UK's potential exposure to foodborne disease risk from imported products." Delivered April 2020. (£124k) Commissioned by FSA.

This project synthesized the available data on international meat production processes and assessed the degree of exposure to foodborne disease risk they posed from the point of view of the UK. The project involved a multidisciplinary team within Campden BRI which required close coordination. This was achieved at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, demonstrating the adaptability of ways of working and the managerial talent involved. This project also demonstrated the skill of

#### B. NAMED STAFF MEMBERS AND DETAILS OF THEIR SPECIALISM AND EXPERTISE

For each participating organisation on the project team please list:- the names and grades of all staff who will work on the project together with details of their specialism and expertise, their role in the project and details of up to 4 of their most recent, relevant published peer reviewed papers (where applicable). If new staff will be hired to deliver the project, please detail their grade, area/(s) of specialism and their role in the project team.

Lead Applicant Campden BRI	
Named staff members, details of specialism and expertise.	





## Participant Organisation 1

Named staff members, details of specialism and expertise.

## Participant Organisation 2

Named staff members, details of specialism and expertise.

## Participant Organisation 3

Named staff members, details of specialism and expertise.



#### C. STAFF EFFORT

In the table below, please detail the staff time to be spent on the project (for every person named in section above) and their role in delivering the proposal. If new staff will be hired in order to deliver the project please include their grade, name and the staff effort required.

Name and Role of Person where known/ Role of person to be recruited

Working hours per staff member on this project

#### 5: PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Please fully describe how the project will be managed to ensure that objectives and deliverables will be achieved on time and on budget. Please describe how different organisations/staff will interact to deliver the desired outcomes. Highlight any in-house or external accreditation for the project management system and how this relates to this project.

Campden BRI has vast experience of setting up and managing projects requiring active participation from researchers, industry, trade bodies and Government.

All projects are assigned a Project Manager to act as the main point of contact for the client and all staff, including sub-contractors and/or partners, involved in the project. The Project Manager has the responsibility to ensure the capability and availability of resources and for the co-ordination and completion of the project through to submission of the final report. The Project Manager, in conjunction with other colleagues, determines the approach to be taken in fulfilling the requirements of the project and the allocation of resources. At the start of the project a Project Plan is generated in MS Project for the Web and tasks allocated to relevant staff. The management of the project involves set targets and timescales and progress is reviewed by means of project reviews (both formal and informal). The client is regularly informed of the progress of the project, and of any challenges encountered.

The basic procedures in setting up a project are described below. These are the essential steps although the specific requirements may vary according to the details of the project and number of staff partners involved:

Internal meetings are held to discuss the project: • Identify the aims and sub-aims of the project, the deliverables and outputs; • Identify the approaches to meet those aims; deliverables and outputs; • Examine the methods to be used and the routes by which the project outputs will be utilised; • Identify the knowledge and expertise required by the project. This activity includes the identification of in-house skills required / available and determines if external expertise is required in the form of sub-contractors or collaborators. We already work with many organisations including university departments, institutes; other organisations, and trade bodies. • There can be changes to the approaches and methods as discussions progress and alternatives are considered when responding to a tender call. The input from those who will use the outputs of the project is also a driver at this stage to ensure that the outputs address the specific needs. • Targets and timescales are established • Regular project review meetings are held to assess progress • The production of report and / or outputs are agreed with the client. The compilation of the final deliverables is the responsibility of the Project Manager and is subject to internal quality procedures before submission to the client.

#### 1.3 The competence and performance of staff

Campden BRI use personnel who are employed by or, much less commonly, under contract via subcontractor agreements. Personnel are appointed and assigned tasks on the basis of appropriate education, training, skills and experience. The competence and performance of staff is evaluated upon engagement, following the provision of training and on an ongoing basis and more formally on an annual basis as part of a performance and development review. Campden BRI also have access to experts made available through partnership arrangements with other reputable technical organisations.

1.4 The suitability of approaches and methods and the reliability and validity of results

All methods and approaches are validated by qualified personnel before use culminating in the provision of objective evidence that the method/approach is fit for the intended use.

Concerning the control of data, procedures are established and implemented to ensure the integrity and confidentiality of data entry or collection, data storage, data transmission and data processing.

## 1.5 The suitability and adequacy of facilities and environment

Technical requirements for accommodation and environmental conditions that can affect the quality and results of work form part of the planning and validation of services, methods and approaches. Environmental conditions are controlled, monitored and recorded where this forms part of the requirement, specification, method or approach or where conditions have the potential to influence the quality of results.



The project management team, led by , will oversee the completion of the project using regular meetings with the project teams tasked with delivering the synthesis and opinion. The team will ensure the plan outlined in Section 3 of this proposal is adhered to and any issues raised before they impact on the project.

## 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

In the table provided, please identify all relevant risks in delivering this project on time and to budget. Briefly outline what steps will be

acceptable FSA expectations  Recruitment and staff absence L	Low	Medium  Medium	FSA is to be informed of project progress using meetings at key milestones. The project management team will also stay in close communication with the FSA to keep them abreast of progress. All work will conform to Campden BRI's internal quality systems (ISO9001).  Staff named in the proposal are part of wider teams with shared expertise. In the event of named staff not being available for the required work, a team member will be available to replace them.
IT infrastructure or resource L			shared expertise. In the event of named staff not being available for the required work, a team member will be
	Low	Medium	
External databases L	Low	Medium	Campden BRI is subscribed to the FSTA database and has



			FSTA database failing, other sources of literature such as PubMed will be used as a back-up.
Site closure	Low	Low	As this is a desk-based exercise, and all staff have the ability to work from home, the work will continue in the event of any or all of Campden BRI's sites being closed.
None / few applicable papers identified that meet the required criteria	Low	Low	In order to assess the availability of current data relevant articles need to be identified.
•			A thorough literature search is planned. Should there be few records identified however the thoroughness of the literature search will be checked and search terms broadened as applicable.
Document sourcing	Low	Low	All documents are to be sourced from open-access sources, journals to which Campden BRI subscribes or will be purchased from the British Library or other reputable broker.
Language of original documents	Low	Low	Searching will be undertaken in the English language and the output restricted to those available in the English language or with an English abstract. If the article looks of relevance from the English abstract, the project partners have access to staff with a wide variety of language capabilities. Such staff will be invited to review the original papers (if available) to identify key data. Any translation will be conducted according to copyright requirements.

#### 7. QUALITY MANAGEMENT

## A. QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Please provide details of the measures that will be taken to manage and assure the quality of work. You should upload your Quality Assurance policy in the supporting documents section of your application.

This should include information on the quality assurance (QA) systems, , which have been implemented or are planned, and should be appropriate to the work concerned. All QA systems and procedures should be clear and auditable, and may include compliance with internationally accepted quality standards specified in the ITT e.g. ISO 9001 and ISO17025.

Specific to science projects and where relevant, applicants must indicate whether they would comply with the <u>Joint Code of Practice for Research</u> (JCoPR). If applicants do not already fully comply with the JCoPR please provide a statement to this effect to provide an explanation of how these requirements will be met. The FSA reserves the right to audit projects against the code and other quality standards

The lead principle investigator is responsible for all work carried out in the project; (including work supplied by sub-contractors) and should therefore ensure that the project is carried out in accordance with the Joint Code of Practice

#### **B. ETHICS**

Please identify the key ethical issues for this project and how these will be managed. Please respond to any issues raised in the Specification document

Please describe the ethical issues of any involvement of people, human samples, animal research or personal data in this part. In addition, please describe the ethical review and governance arrangements that would apply to the work done.

Applicants are reminded that, where appropriate, the need to obtain clearance for the proposed project from their local ethics committee. This is the responsibility of the project Lead Applicant. However, if a sub-contractor requires such clearance the project Lead Applicant should ensure that all relevant procedures have been followed. If there are no ethical issues please state this

There are no ethical issues raised by this proposed project.

#### C. DATA PROTECTION



Please identify any specific data protection issues for this project and how these will be managed. Please respond to any specific issues raised in the Specification document.

Please note that the successful Applicant will be expected to comply with the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 and ensure that any information collected, processed and transferred on behalf of the FSA, will be held and transferred securely.

In this part please provide details of the practices and systems which are in place for handling data securely including transmission between the field and head office and then to the FSA. Plans for how data will be deposited (i.e. within a community or institutional database/archive) and/or procedures for the destruction of physical and system data should also be included in this part (this is particularly relevant for survey data and personal data collected from clinical research trials). The project Lead Applicant will be responsible for ensuring that they and any sub-contractor who processes or handles information on behalf of the FSA are conducted securely.

Data Protection policy uploaded separately.

#### D. SUSTAINABILITY

The Food Standards Agency is committed to improving sustainability in the management of operations. Procurement looks to its suppliers to help achieve this goal. You will need to demonstrate your approach to sustainability, in particular how you will apply it to this project taking into account economic, environmental and social aspects. This will be considered as part of our selection process and you must upload your organisations sustainability policies into the eligibility criteria in Bravo.

Please state what(if any) environmental certification you hold or briefly describe your current Environmental Management System (EMS)

## E. DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION

Where applicable please indicate how you intend to disseminate the results of this project, including written and verbal communication routes if appropriate. Applicants are advised to think carefully about how their research aligns with the FSA strategy, what is the impact that their research has on public health/ consumers—and decide how the results can best be communicated to the relevant and appropriate people and organisations in as cost-effective manner as possible. Please provide as much detail as possible on what will be delivered. Any costs associated with this must be documented in the Financial Template.

The applicant should describe plans for the dissemination of the results for the project team as a whole and for individual participants. Details should include anticipated numbers of publications in refereed journals, articles in trade journals etc., presentations or demonstrations to the scientific community, trade organisations and internal reports or publications. Plans to make any information and/or reports available on the internet with the FSA's permission are also useful, however, this does not remove the requirement for Tenderers to think how best to target the output to relevant groups.

If a final report is part of the requirement, please make sure, as part of the executive summary, that aims and results are clear to the general audience and that the impact of the research on public health/consumers and it's alignment to FSA priorities is clearly stated.

Please note that permission to publish or to present findings from work supported by the FSA must be sought in advance from the relevant FSA Project Officer. The financial support of the FSA must also be acknowledged.

Please indicate whether any Intellectual Property (IP) may be generated by this project and how this could be exploited. Please be aware the FSA retains all rights to the intellectual property generated by any contract and where appropriate may exploit the IP generated for the benefit of public health.

In this part Applicants should demonstrate the credibility of the partnership for exploitation of the results and explain the partnership's policy in respect of securing patents or granting licenses for the technology (if applicable). It should deal with any possible agreements between the partners to extend their co-operation in the exploitation phase and with relevant agreements with companies, in particular users, external to the partnership



All data and reporting shall be used to update the FSA. Campden BRI does not intend to publish or distribute any report or part thereof arising from the proposed work. It is not anticipated that any intellectual property will result from the proposed work.

## **Post Tender Clarification Questions**

Question 1: More clarity required about project management and communication with the FSA.

Response: At points 1.1, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1 and 6.1 the FSA will be consulted regarding the content and structure of the relevant searches and reports generated by Campden BRI. The communication will be primarily via email, with virtual meetings held if deemed necessary. The project will be managed by as detailed in Schedule 4b has experience of food allergens from a practical perspective and is an experienced project manager.

Question 2: The review should also consider guidance documents that are written in languages other than English. Need to consider international institutes other than EFSA and EU and non-EU countries.

Response: Non-English journal articles will be searched using their abstracts which are provided in English in all the proposed databases. Translation software (e.g. Google Translate) will be used to screen websites for relevant keywords. Significant non-English and non-Journal sources can be translated by Campden BRI's staff and contractors who are native speakers of non-English languages, however the cost associated with this procedure cannot be predicted at this stage without knowledge of the volume of material to be translated. Should a significant volume of translatable material be returned by the searches, Campden BRI will contact the FSA to discuss the most appropriate allocation of resources and any impacts on deliverables.



**Question 3:** More clarity required on which common food contact surfaces will be taken into consideration

Response: Common food contact surfaces include stainless steel, ceramics and plastic. Information on cleaning these surfaces is highly likely to be returned by the searches. Other food contact surfaces may be returned by the searches and if information on these is returned then they will be included too.

**Question 4:** More clarity required on whether the plan is to look at different detergents available.

Response: Should the searches return a range of detergents as cleaning agents then they will be included

in the report. Focussing on specific agents may exclude useful information unintentionally.

Response: As part of our talent development program, junior members of staff will receive mentoring throughout this project. The breakdown of time spent on the project is provided in the financial statement and in Section 4b of the tender application. The searches will be run by and the information synthesis and report writing will be handled by with support from will also support with their experience and advice wherever required.

Question 6: Need to revisit the timescale as the proposed start date was 28th November - start w/c 5th December and delivery to be 22/23 financial year.

The project can start according to the preferred start date for the FSA and continue for the full duration of the original tender (approximately 3.5 months).



# **Annex 4 - Charges**

Tender Reference	FS431160
Tender Title	International Review of the Literature and Guidance on Food Allergen Cleaning
Full legal organisation name	Campden BRI (Chipping Campden) Limited
Main contact title	
Main contact forname	
Main contact surname	
Main contact position	
Main contact email	
Main contact phone	
Will you charge the Agency VAT or	n this proposal?
Please state your VAT registration	number: GB729 8480 87
Project Costs Summary Breakdo Participating Organisations	own by
Please include only the cost to the	FSA.

Organisation

Campden BRI
(Chipping Campden)
Limited

Total Project Costs (excluding VAT) \*\*

VAT
Code\*

F
30,117.00

<sup>\*</sup> Please indicate zero, exempt or standard rate. VAT charges not identified above will not be paid by the FSA

<sup>\*\*</sup> The total cost figure should be the same as the total cost shown in table 4

<sup>\*\*</sup> The total cost figure should be the same as the total cost shown below and in the Schedule of payments tab.



# Project Costs Summary (Automatically calculated)

Staff Costs	
Overhead Costs	
Consumables and Other Costs	
Travel and Subsistence Costs	
Other Costs - Part 1	
Other Costs - Part 2	
Other Costs - Part 3	
Other Costs - Part 4	
Other Costs - Part 5	

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Total Project Cos	ts   30,117.00



## **Staff Costs Table**

\*This should reflect details entered in your technical application section 4C.

Please insert as many lines as necessary for the individuals in the project team.

Please note that FSA is willing to accept pay rates based upon average pay costs. You will need to indicate where these have been used.

Days to be spent \* Daily **Total** \* Role or on the Daily Rate Overhead Participating Cost (incl. Position within project Rate(£/Day Organisation (£/Day) overhead the project by all s) staff at this grade

**Total Labour Costs** 

£ 30,117.00



Proposed Project Start Date	28-Nov- 2022	Amount				
Invoice Due Date	Descriptio n as to which deliverabl es this invoice will refer to (Please include the deliverable ref no(s) as appropriat e)	*Net	** VAT Code	§ Duration from start of project (Weeks)	§ Duration from start of project (Date)	Finan cial Year



Retention /Final Deliverab le	***	£			
	Total	£ 30,117.00	7	Totals Agree	

- \* Please insert the amount to be invoiced net of any VAT for each deliverable
- \*\* Please insert the applicable rate of VAT for each deliverable
- \*\*\* 20% of the total project budget is withheld and will be paid upon acceptance of a satisfactory final report by the agency.

§The number of weeks after project commencement for the deliverable to be completed

## **Summary of Payments**

Financial Year (Update as applicable in YYYY-YY format) Total Amount

Year 1		_
2022-23	Retention	Total
£	£	£
		30,117.00

# **Short form Terms**

## 1. Definitions used in the Contract

In this Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:

"Central	
Government	t
Body"	

means a body listed in one of the following subcategories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:

- a) Government Department;
- b) Non-Departmental Public Body Assembly or Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);
- Non-Ministerial Department; or c)
- d) **Executive Agency:**

## "Charges"

means the charges for the Deliverables as specified in the Order Form;

## "Confidential Information"

means all information, whether written or oral (however recorded), provided by the disclosing Party to the receiving Party and which (i) is known by the receiving Party to be confidential; (ii) is marked as or stated to be confidential; or (iii) ought reasonably to be considered by the receiving Party to be confidential;

## "Contract"

means the contract between (i) the Buyer and (ii) the Supplier which is created by the Supplier's counter signing the Order Form and includes the Order Form and Annexes:

## "Controller"

has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

## "Buyer"

means the person identified in the letterhead of the Order Form:

## "Date

of

Delivery"

means that date by which the Deliverables must be delivered to the Buyer, as specified in the Order Form;

## "Buyer Cause"

any breach of the obligations of the Buyer or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Buyer, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the

Buyer is liable to the Supplier;

## "Data **Protection** Legislation"

(i) the GDPR, the LED and any applicable national implementing Laws as amended from time to time (ii) the Data Protection Act 2018 to the extent that it relates to processing

of personal data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the

processing of personal data and privacy;

"Data Protection Impact Assessment" an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged processing on the protection of Personal Data;

"Data Protection Officer" has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

"Data Subject"

has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

"Data Event" any event that results, or may result, in unauthorised access to Personal Data held by the Supplier under this Contract, and/or

actual or potential loss and/or destruction of Personal

Data in breach of this Contract, including any Personal Data

Breach;

"Data Subject Access Request"

a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection

Legislation to access their Personal Data;

"Deliver"

means hand over the Deliverables to the Buyer at the address and on the date specified in the Order Form, which shall include unloading and any other specific arrangements agreed in accordance with Clause []. Delivered and Delivery shall be construed accordingly;

"Existing IPR"

any and all intellectual property rights that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the date of the Contract or otherwise);

"Expiry Date"

means the date for expiry of the Contract as set out in the

Order Form;

"FOIA"

means the Freedom of Information Act 2000 together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;

"Force Majeure Event"

any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause affecting the performance by either Party of its obligations under the Contract arising from acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond its reasonable control which prevent or materially delay it from performing its obligations under the Contract but excluding: i) any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staff (including any subsets of them) or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain; ii) any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against it by the Party concerned; and iii) any failure of delay caused by a lack of funds;

"GDPR" the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU)

2016/679):

"Goods" means the goods to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer

under the Contract:

"Good Industry Practice"

standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;

"Government Data"

a) the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media. including any of the Buyer's confidential information, and which: i) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer; or

ii) the Supplier is required to generate, process,

store or transmit pursuant to the Contract; or b) any Personal

Data for which the Buyer is the Data Controller;

"Information" has the meaning given under section 84 of the FOIA;

"Information Commissioner" the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;

"Insolvency Event"

in respect of a person: a) if that person is insolvent; ii) if an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding up of the person (other than voluntarily for the purpose of solvent amalgamation or reconstruction); iii) if an administrator or administrative receiver is appointed in respect of the whole or any part of the persons assets or business; iv) if the person makes any composition with its creditors or takes or suffers any similar or analogous action to any of the actions detailed in this definition as a result of debt in any jurisdiction;

"Kev Personnel" means any persons specified as such in the Order Form or otherwise notified as such by the Buyer to the Supplier in

writing;

"LED" Law Enforcement Directive (Directive (EU) 2016/680);

"New IPR" all and intellectual property rights in any materials created or

developed by or on behalf of the Supplier pursuant to the

Contract but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;

"Order Form" means the letter from the Buyer to the Supplier printed above

these terms and conditions;

"Party" the Supplier or the Buyer (as appropriate) and "Parties" shall

mean both of them:

"Personal Data" has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

"Personal Data has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

Breach"

"Processor" has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;

"Purchase Order Number" means the Buyer's unique number relating to the order for Deliverables to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer in

accordance with the terms of the Contract:

"Regulations" the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public

Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context

requires) as amended from time to time;

"Request for Information"

has the meaning set out in the FOIA or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 as relevant (where the meaning

set out for the term "request" shall apply);

"Services" means the services to be supplied by the Supplier to the

Buyer under the Contract;

"Specification" means the specification for the Deliverables to be supplied by

the Supplier to the Buyer (including as to quantity, description

and quality) as specified in the Order Form;

"Staff" means all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants

> and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any sub-contractor of the Supplier engaged in the performance of the Supplier's

obligations under the Contract;

"Staff Vettina Procedures"

means vetting procedures that accord with good industry practice or, where applicable, the Buyer's procedures for the

vetting of personnel as provided to the Supplier from time to

"Subprocessor" any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf

of the Supplier related to the Contract;

"Supplier Staff" all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and

> contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations

under a Contract;

"Supplier" means the person named as Supplier in the Order Form:

"Term" means the period from the start date of the Contract set out in

> the Order Form to the Expiry Date as such period may be extended in accordance with clause [ ] or terminated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract:

"US-EU Privacy Shield Register" a list of companies maintained by the United States of America Department for Commence that have self-certified their commitment to adhere to the European legislation relating to

the processing of personal data to non-EU countries which is available online at: https://www.privacyshield.gov/list;

"VAT" means value added tax in accordance with the provisions of

the Value Added Tax Act 1994;

"Workers" any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its

reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public

Appointees)

(https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policynote-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees) applies in

respect of the Deliverables;

"Working Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which

banks are open for business in the City of London.

## 2. Understanding the Contract

In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 2.1 references to numbered clauses are references to the relevant clause in these terms and conditions:
- any obligation on any Party not to do or omit to do anything shall include an obligation not to allow that thing to be done or omitted to be done;
- 2.3 the headings in this Contract are for information only and do not affect the interpretation of the Contract;
- 2.4 references to "writing" include printing, display on a screen and electronic transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form;
- 2.5 the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- 2.6 a reference to any law includes a reference to that law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time and to any legislation or byelaw made under that law; and
- 2.7 the word 'including', "for example" and similar words shall be understood as if they were immediately followed by the words "without limitation".

## 3. How the Contract works

- 3.1 The Order Form is an offer by the Buyer to purchase the Deliverables subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract.
- 3.2 The Supplier is deemed to accept the offer in the Order Form when the Buyer receives a copy of the Order Form signed by the Supplier.
- 3.3 The Supplier warrants and represents that its tender and all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.

## 4. What needs to be delivered

#### 4.1 All Deliverables

- (a) The Supplier must provide Deliverables: (i) in accordance with the Specification; (ii) to a professional standard; (iii) using reasonable skill and care; (iv) using Good Industry Practice; (v) using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they don't conflict with the Contract; (vi) on the dates agreed; and (vii) that comply with all law.
- (b) The Supplier must provide Deliverables with a warranty of at least 90 days (or longer where the Supplier offers a longer warranty period to its Buyers) from Delivery against all obvious defects.

## 4.2 Goods clauses

- (a) All Goods delivered must be new, or as new if recycled, unused and of recent origin.
- (b) All manufacturer warranties covering the Goods must be assignable to the Buyer on request and for free.
- (c) The Supplier transfers ownership of the Goods on completion of delivery (including off-loading and stacking) or payment for those Goods, whichever is earlier.
- (d) Risk in the Goods transfers to the Buyer on delivery, but remains with the Supplier if the Buyer notices damage following delivery and lets the Supplier know within three Working Days of delivery.
- (e) The Supplier warrants that it has full and unrestricted ownership of the Goods at the time of transfer of ownership.
- (f) The Supplier must deliver the Goods on the date and to the specified location during the Buyer's working hours.
- (g) The Supplier must provide sufficient packaging for the Goods to reach the point of delivery safely and undamaged.
- (h) All deliveries must have a delivery note attached that specifies the order number, type and quantity of Goods.
- (i) The Supplier must provide all tools, information and instructions the Buyer needs to make use of the Goods.
- (j) The Supplier will notify the Buyer of any request that Goods are returned to it or the manufacturer after the discovery of safety issues or defects that might endanger health or hinder performance and shall indemnify the Buyer against the costs arising as a result of any such request.
- (k) The Buyer can cancel any order or part order of Goods which has not been delivered. If the Buyer gives less than 14 days' notice then it will pay the Supplier's reasonable and proven costs already incurred on the cancelled order as long as the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to minimise these costs.
- (I) The Supplier must at its own cost repair, replace, refund or substitute (at the Buyer's option and request) any Goods that the Buyer rejects because they don't conform with clause 4.2. If the Supplier doesn't do this it will pay the Buyer's costs including repair or re-supply by a third party.
- (m) The Buyer will not be liable for any actions, claims, costs and expenses incurred by the Supplier or any third party during delivery of the Goods unless and to the extent that it is caused by negligence or other wrongful act of the Buyer or its servant or agent. If the Buyer suffers or incurs any damage or injury (whether fatal or otherwise) occurring in the course of delivery or

installation then the Supplier shall indemnify from any losses, charges costs or expenses which arise as a result of or in connection with such damage or injury where it is attributable to any act or omission of the Supplier or any of its [sub-suppliers].

#### 4.3 Services clauses

- (a) Late delivery of the Services will be a default of the Contract.
- (b) The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer and third party suppliers on all aspects connected with the delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions including any security requirements.
- (c) The Buyer must provide the Supplier with reasonable access to its premises at reasonable times for the purpose of supplying the Services
- (d) The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all equipment required to deliver the Services. Any equipment provided by the Buyer to the Supplier for supplying the Services remains the property of the Buyer and is to be returned to the Buyer on expiry or termination of the Contract.
- (e) The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to the Contract.
- (f) The Supplier must take all reasonable care to ensure performance does not disrupt the Buyer's operations, employees or other contractors.
- (g) On completion of the Services, the Supplier is responsible for leaving the Buyer's premises in a clean, safe and tidy condition and making good any damage that it has caused to the Buyer's premises or property, other than fair wear and tear.
- (h) The Supplier must ensure all Services, and anything used to deliver the Services, are of good quality [and free from defects].
- (i) The Buyer is entitled to withhold payment for partially or undelivered Services, but doing so does not stop it from using its other rights under the Contract.

# 5. Pricing and payments

- 5.1 In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier shall be entitled to invoice the Buyer for the charges in the Order Form. The Supplier shall raise invoices promptly and in any event within 90 days from when the charges are due.
- 5.2 All Charges:
  - (a) exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice;
  - (b) include all costs connected with the supply of Deliverables.
- 5.3 The Buyer must pay the Supplier the charges within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds to the Supplier's account stated in the Order Form.
- 5.4 A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:
  - (a) includes all appropriate references including the Purchase Order Number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer;
  - (b) includes a detailed breakdown of Deliverables which have been delivered (if any).

- 5.5 If there is a dispute between the Parties as to the amount invoiced, the Buyer shall pay the undisputed amount. The Supplier shall not suspend the provision of the Deliverables unless the Supplier is entitled to terminate the Contract for a failure to pay undisputed sums in accordance with clause 11.6. Any disputed amounts shall be resolved through the dispute resolution procedure detailed in clause 33.
- 5.6 The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier if notice and reasons are provided.
- 5.7 The Supplier must ensure that all subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this doesn't happen, the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.

### 6. The Buyer's obligations to the Supplier

- 6.1 If Supplier fails to comply with the Contract as a result of a Buyer Cause:
  - (a) the Buyer cannot terminate the Contract under clause 11;
  - (b) the Supplier is entitled to reasonable and proven additional expenses and to relief from liability under this Contract;
  - (c) the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to deliver the Deliverables;
  - (d) the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables.
- 6.2 Clause 6.1 only applies if the Supplier:
  - (a) gives notice to the Buyer within 10 Working Days of becoming aware;
  - (b) demonstrates that the failure only happened because of the Buyer Cause;
  - (c) mitigated the impact of the Buyer Cause.

### 7. Record keeping and reporting

- 7.1 The Supplier must ensure that suitably qualified representatives attend progress meetings with the Buyer and provide progress reports when specified in the Order Form.
- 7.2 The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts on everything to do with the Contract for seven years after the date of expiry or termination of the Contract.
- 7.3 The Supplier must allow any auditor appointed by the Buyer access to their premises to verify all contract accounts and records of everything to do with the Contract and provide copies for the audit.
- 7.4 The Supplier must provide information to the auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request.
- 7.5 If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:
  - (a) tell the Buyer and give reasons;
  - (b) propose corrective action;
  - (c) provide a deadline for completing the corrective action.

- 7.6 If the Buyer, acting reasonably, is concerned as to the financial stability of the Supplier such that it may impact on the continued performance of the Contract then the Buyer may:
  - (a) require that the Supplier provide to the Buyer (for its approval) a plan setting out how the Supplier will ensure continued performance of the Contract and the Supplier will make changes to such plan as reasonably required by the Buyer and once it is agreed then the Supplier shall act in accordance with such plan and report to the Buyer on demand
  - (b) if the Supplier fails to provide a plan or fails to agree any changes which are requested by the Buyer or fails to implement or provide updates on progress with the plan, terminate the Contract immediately for material breach (or on such date as the Buyer notifies).

### 8. Supplier staff

- 8.1 The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of the Contract must:
  - (a) be appropriately trained and qualified;
  - (b) be vetted using Good Industry Practice
  - (c) comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's premises.
- Where a Buyer decides one of the Supplier's Staff isn't suitable to work on the Contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative.
- 8.3 If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach clause 8.
- 8.4 The Supplier must provide a list of Supplier Staff needing to access the Buyer's premises and say why access is required.
- 8.5 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.
- 8.6 The Supplier shall use those persons nominated in the Order Form (if any) to provide the Deliverables and shall not remove or replace any of them unless:
  - (a) requested to do so by the Buyer (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
  - (b) the person concerned resigns, retires or dies or is on maternity or long-term sick leave; or
  - (c) the person's employment or contractual arrangement with the Supplier or any subcontractor is terminated for material breach of contract by the employee.

# 9. Rights and protection

- 9.1 The Supplier warrants and represents that:
  - (a) it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform the Contract;
  - (b) the Contract is executed by its authorised representative;
  - (c) it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place itwas formed:

- (d) there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its affiliates that might affect its ability to perform the Contract;
- (e) it maintains all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents to perform its obligations under the Contract;
- (f) it doesn't have any contractual obligations which are likely to have amaterial adverse effect on its ability to perform the Contract; and
- (g) it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event.
- 9.2 The warranties and representations in clause 9.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.
- 9.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against each of the following:
  - (a) wilful misconduct of the Supplier, any of its subcontractor and/or Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract;
  - (b) non-payment by the Supplier of any tax or National Insurance.
- 9.4 If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify the Buyer.
- 9.5 All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.

# 10. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)

- 10.1 Each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPRs. The Supplier gives the Buyer a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license the Supplier's Existing IPR to enable it and its sub-licensees to both:
  - (a) receive and use the Deliverables;
  - (b) use the New IPR.
- 10.2 Any New IPR created under the Contract is owned by the Buyer. The Buyer gives the Supplier a licence to use any Existing IPRs for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations under the Contract and a perpetual, royalty-free, non-exclusive licence to use any New IPRs.
- 10.3 Where a Party acquires ownership of intellectual property rights incorrectly under this Contract it must do everything reasonably necessary to complete a transfer assigning them in writing to the other Party on request and at its own cost.
- 10.4 Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's intellectual property rights, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as provided in clause 10 or otherwise agreed in writing.
- 10.5 If any claim is made against the Buyer for actual or alleged infringement of a third party's intellectual property arising out of, or in connection with, the supply or use of the Deliverables (an "IPR Claim"), then the Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result of the IPR Claim.

- 10.6 If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:
  - (a) obtain for the Buyer the rights in clauses 10.1 and 10.2 without infringing any third party intellectual property rights;
  - (b) replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that don't infringe intellectual property rights without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables.

### 11. Ending the contract

- 11.1 The Contract takes effect on the date of or (if different) the date specified in the Order Form and ends on the earlier of the date of expiry or termination of the Contract or earlier if required by Law.
- 11.2 The Buyer can extend the Contract where set out in the Order Form in accordance with the terms in the Order Form.

#### 11.3 Ending the Contract without a reason

The Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract at any time without reason or liability by giving the Supplier not less than 90 days' written notice and if it's terminated clause 11.5(b) to 11.5(g) applies.

#### 11.4 When the Buyer can end the Contract

- (a) If any of the following events happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate its Contract by issuing a termination notice in writing to the Supplier:
  - (i) there's a Supplier Insolvency Event;
  - (ii) if the Supplier repeatedly breaches the Contract in a way to reasonably justify the opinion that its conduct is inconsistent with it having the intention or ability to give effect to the terms and conditions of the Contract:
  - (iii) if the Supplier is in material breach of any obligation which is capable of remedy, and that breach is not remedied within 30 days of the Supplier receiving notice specifying the breach and requiring it to be remedied;
  - (iv) there's a change of control (within the meaning of section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010) of the Supplier which isn't pre-approved by the Buyer in writing:
  - (v) if the Buyer discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded;
  - (vi) the Court of Justice of the European Union uses Article 258 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) to declare that the Contract should not have been awarded to the Supplier because of a serious breach of the TFEU or the Regulations:
  - (vii) the Supplier or its affiliates embarrass or bring the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them.
- (b) If any of the events in 73(1) (a) to (c) of the Regulations (substantial modification, exclusion of the Supplier, procurement infringement) happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract and clause 11.5(b) to 11.5(g) applies.

#### 11.5 What happens if the Contract ends

Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under clause 11.4(a) all of the following apply:

- (a) the Supplier is responsible for the Buyer's reasonable costs of procuring replacement deliverables for the rest of the term of the Contract;
- (b) the Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately:
- (c) accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected;
- (d) the Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by law;
- (e) the Supplier must promptly return any of the Buyer's property provided under the Contract:
- (f) the Supplier must, at no cost to the Buyer, give all reasonable assistance to the Buyer and any incoming supplier and co-operate fully in the handover and re-procurement;
- (g) the following clauses survive the termination of the Contract: [3.2.10, 6, 7.2,9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 34, 35] and any clauses which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.

#### 11.6 When the Supplier can end the Contract

- (a) The Supplier can issue a reminder notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate the Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum due and worth over 10% of the total Contract value or £1,000, whichever is the lower, within 30 days of the date of the reminder notice.
- (b) If a Supplier terminates the Contract under clause 11.6(a):
  - (i) the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding charges incurred to the Supplier:
  - (ii) the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence - the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated;
  - (iii) clauses 11.5(d) to 11.5(g) apply.

#### 11.7 Partially ending and suspending the Contract

- (a) Where the Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract it can terminate or suspend (for any period), all or part of it. If the Buyer suspends the Contract it can provide the Deliverables itself or buy them from a third party.
- (b) The Buyer can only partially terminate or suspend the Contract if the remaining parts of it can still be used to effectively deliver the intended purpose.
- (c) The Parties must agree (in accordance with clause 24) any necessary variation required by clause 11.7, but the Supplier may not either:
  - (i) reject the variation;
  - (ii) increase the Charges, except where the right to partial termination is under clause 11.3.
- (d) The Buyer can still use other rights available, or subsequently available to it if it acts on its rights under clause 11.7.

## 12. How much you can be held responsible for

- 12.1 Each Party's total aggregate liability under or in connection with the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than 125% of the Charges paid or payable to the Supplier.
- 12.2 No Party is liable to the other for:
  - (a) any indirect losses;
  - (b) loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect).
- 12.3 In spite of clause 12.1, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:
  - (a) its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or subcontractors;
  - (b) its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees;
  - (c) any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by law.
- 12.4 In spite of clause 12.1, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under clauses 4.2(j), 4.2(m), 8.5, 9.3, 10.5, 13.2, 14.26(e) or 30.2(b).
- 12.5 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with the Contract, including anyindemnities.
- 12.6 If more than one Supplier is party to the Contract, each Supplier Party is fully responsible for both their own liabilities and the liabilities of the other Suppliers.

# 13. Obeying the law

- 13.1 The Supplier must, in connection with provision of the Deliverables, usereasonable endeavours to:
  - (a) comply and procure that its subcontractors comply with the Supplier Code of Conduct appearing at (<a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/a">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/a</a> ttachment data/file/779660/20190220-Supplier Code of Conduct.pdf) and such other corporate social responsibility requirements as the Buyer may notify to the Supplier from time to time;
  - (b) support the Buyer in fulfilling its Public Sector Equality duty under S149 of the Equality Act 2010;
  - (c) not use nor allow its subcontractors to use modern slavery, child labour or inhumane treatment;
  - (d) meet the applicable Government Buying Standards applicable to Deliverables which can be found online at:\_
    <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sustainable-procurement-the-government-buying-standards-gbs">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sustainable-procurement-the-government-buying-standards-gbs</a>
- 13.2 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against any costs resulting from any default by the Supplier relating to any applicable law to do with the Contract.
- 13.3 The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 13.1 and Clauses 27 to 32

13.4 "Compliance Officer" the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;

# 14. Data protection

- 14.1 The Buyer is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation.
- 14.2 The Supplier must process Personal Data and ensure that Supplier Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with this Contract.
- 14.3 The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the Government Data.
- 14.4 The Supplier must make accessible back-ups of all Government Data, stored in an agreed off-site location and send the Buyer copies every six Months.
- 14.5 The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system holding any Government Data, including back-up data, is a secure system that complies with the security requirements specified [in writing] by the Buyer.
- 14.6 If at any time the Supplier suspects or has reason to believe that the Government Data provided under the Contract is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded, then the Supplier must notify the Buyer and immediately suggest remedial action.
- 14.7 If the Government Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded so as to be unusable the Buyer may either or both:
  - (a) tell the Supplier to restore or get restored Government Data as soon as practical but no later than five Working Days from the date that the Buyer receives notice, or the Supplier finds out about the issue, whichever is earlier;
  - (b) restore the Government Data itself or using a third party.
- 14.8 The Supplier must pay each Party's reasonable costs of complying with clause 14.7 unless the Buyer is at fault.
- 14.9 Only the Buyer can decide what processing of Personal Data a Supplier can do under the Contract and must specify it for the Contract using the template in Annex 1 of the Order Form (*Authorised Processing*).
- 14.10 The Supplier must only process Personal Data if authorised to do so in the Annex to the Order Form (*Authorised Processing*) by the Buyer. Any further written instructions relating to the processing of Personal Data are incorporated into Annex 1 of the Order Form.
- 14.11 The Supplier must give all reasonable assistance to the Buyer in the preparation of any Data Protection Impact Assessment before starting any processing, including:
  - (a) a systematic description of the expected processing and its purpose;
  - (b) the necessity and proportionality of the processing operations:
  - (c) the risks to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects;
  - (d) the intended measures to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to protect Personal Data.

- 14.12 The Supplier must notify the Buyer immediately if it thinks the Buyer's instructions breach the Data Protection Legislation.
- 14.13 The Supplier must put in place appropriate Protective Measures toprotect against a Data Loss Event which must be approved by the Buyer.
- 14.14 If lawful to notify the Buyer, the Supplier must notify it if the Supplier is required to process Personal Data by Law promptly and before processing it.
- 14.15 The Supplier must take all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of any Supplier Staff who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that they:
  - (a) are aware of and comply with the Supplier's duties under this clause 11;
  - (b) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Supplier or any Subprocessor;
  - (c) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and do not provide any of the Personal Data to any third Party unless directed in writing to do so by the Buyer or as otherwise allowed by the Contract;
  - (d) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data.
- 14.16 The Supplier must not transfer Personal Data outside of the EU unless all of the following are true:
  - (a) it has obtained prior written consent of the Buyer;
  - (b) the Buyer has decided that there are appropriate safeguards (in accordance with Article 46 of the GDPR);
  - (c) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies when transferred:
  - (d) the Supplier meets its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred;
  - (e) where the Supplier is not bound by Data Protection Legislation it must use its best endeavours to help the Buyer meet its own obligations under Data Protection Legislation; and
  - (f) the Supplier complies with the Buyer's reasonable prior instructions about the processing of the Personal Data.
- 14.17 The Supplier must notify the Buyer immediately if it:
  - (a) receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Request):
  - (b) receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
  - (c) receives any other request, complaint or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
  - (d) receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data processed under this Contract;
  - (e) receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Datawhere compliance with the request is required or claims to be required by Law;
  - (f) becomes aware of a Data Loss Event.

- 14.18 Any requirement to notify under clause 14.17 includes the provision of further information to the Buyer in stages as details become available.
- 14.19 The Supplier must promptly provide the Buyer with full assistance in relation to any Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under clause 14.17. This includes giving the Buyer:
  - (a) full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
  - (b) reasonably requested assistance so that it can comply with a Data Subject Access Request within the relevant timescales in the Data Protection Legislation;
  - (c) any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject on request;
  - (d) assistance that it requests following any Data Loss Event;
  - (e) assistance that it requests relating to a consultation with, or request from, the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 14.20 The Supplier must maintain full, accurate records and information to show it complies with this clause 14. This requirement does not apply where the Supplier employs fewer than 250 staff, unless either the Buyer determines that the processing:
  - (a) is not occasional;
  - (b) includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the GDPR:
  - (c) is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 14.21 The Supplier must appoint a Data Protection Officer responsible for observing its obligations in this Schedule and give the Buyer their contact details.
- 14.22 Before allowing any Subprocessor to process any Personal Data, the Supplier must:
  - (a) notify the Buyer in writing of the intended Subprocessor and processing;
  - (b) obtain the written consent of the Buyer;
  - (c) enter into a written contract with the Subprocessor so that this clause 14 applies to the Subprocessor;
  - (d) provide the Buyer with any information about the Subprocessor that the Buyer reasonably requires.
- 14.23 The Supplier remains fully liable for all acts or omissions of any Subprocessor.
- 14.24 At any time the Buyer can, with 30 Working Days notice to the Supplier, change this clause 14 to:
  - replace it with any applicable standard clauses (between the controller and processor) or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme under GDPR Article 42;
  - (b) ensure it complies with guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 14.25 The Parties agree to take account of any non-mandatory guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 14.26 The Supplier:
  - (a) must provide the Buyer with all Government Data in an agreed open format within 10 Working Days of a written request;

- (b) must have documented processes to guarantee prompt availability of Government Data if the Supplier stops trading:
- (c) must securely destroy all Storage Media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media using Good Industry Practice;
- (d) securely erase all Government Data and any copies it holds when asked to do so by the Buyer unless required by Law to retain it;
- (e) indemnifies the Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches clause 14 and any Data Protection Legislation.

## 15. What you must keep confidential

- 15.1 Each Party must:
  - (a) keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure;
  - (b) not disclose, use or exploit the disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the disclosing Party's prior written consent, except for the purposes anticipated under the Contract;
  - (c) immediately notify the disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information.
- 15.2 In spite of clause 15.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the disclosing Party in any of the following instances:
  - (a) where disclosure is required by applicable Law or by a court with the relevant jurisdiction if the recipient Party notifies the disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure:
  - (b) if the recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the disclosing Party;
  - (c) if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality:
  - (d) if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure;
  - (e) if the information was independently developed without access to the disclosing Party's Confidential Information;
  - (f) to its auditors or for the purposes of regulatory requirements;
  - (g) on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-to-know basis;
  - (h) to the Serious Fraud Office where the recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010.
- 15.3 The Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Buyer at its request.
- 15.4 The Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:
  - (a) on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Buyer;
  - (b) on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to;
  - (c) if the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions;

- (d) where requested by Parliament;
- (e) under clauses 5.7 and 16.
- 15.5 For the purposes of clauses 15.2 to 15.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in clause 15.
- 15.6 Information which is exempt from disclosure by clause 16 is not Confidential Information.
- 15.7 The Supplier must not make any press announcement or publicise the Contract or any part of it in any way, without the prior written consent of the Buyer and must take all reasonable steps to ensure that Supplier Staff do not either.

# 16. When you can share information

- 16.1 The Supplier must tell the Buyer within 48 hours if it receives a Request For Information.
- 16.2 Within the required timescales the Supplier must give the Buyer full co-operation and information needed so the Buyer can:
  - (a) comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request;
  - (b) comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request.
- 16.3 The Buyer may talk to the Supplier to help it decide whether to publish information under clause 16. However, the extent, content and format of the disclosure is the Buyer's decision, which does not need to be reasonable.

## 17. Invalid parts of the contract

If any part of the Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from that Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it's valid or enforceable.

# 18. No other terms apply

The provisions incorporated into the Contract are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract replaces all previous statements and agreements whether written or oral. No other provisions apply.

# 19. Other people's rights in a contract

No third parties may use the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act (CRTPA) to enforce any term of the Contract unless stated (referring to CRTPA) in the Contract. This does not affect third party rights and remedies that exist independently from CRTPA.

# 20. Circumstances beyond your control

20.1 Any Party affected by a Force Majeure Event is excused from performing its obligations under the Contract while the inability to perform continues, if it both:

- (a) provides written notice to the other Party;
- (b) uses all reasonable measures practical to reduce the impact of the Force Majeure Event.
- 20.2 Either party can partially or fully terminate the Contract if the provision of the Deliverables is materially affected by a Force Majeure Event which lasts for 90 days continuously.
- 20.3 Where a Party terminates under clause 20.2:
  - (a) each party must cover its own losses;
  - (b) clause 11.5(b) to 11.5(g) applies.

### 21. Relationships created by the contract

The Contract does not create a partnership, joint venture or employment relationship. The Supplier must represent themselves accordingly and ensure others do so.

# 22. Giving up contract rights

A partial or full waiver or relaxation of the terms of the Contract is only valid if it is stated to be a waiver in writing to the other Party.

# 23. Transferring responsibilities

- 23.1 The Supplier cannot assign the Contract without the Buyer's written consent.
- 23.2 The Buyer can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Crown Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Buyer.
- 23.3 When the Buyer uses its rights under clause 23.2 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that the Buyer specifies.
- 23.4 The Supplier can terminate the Contract novated under clause 23.2 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.
- 23.5 The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.
- 23.6 If the Buyer asks the Supplier for details about Subcontractors, the Supplier must provide details of Subcontractors at all levels of the supply chain including:
  - (a) their name;
  - (b) the scope of their appointment;
  - (c) the duration of their appointment.

# 24. Changing the contract

24.1 Either Party can request a variation to the Contract which is only effective if agreed in writing and signed by both Parties. The Buyer is not required to accept a variation request made by the Supplier.

#### 25. How to communicate about the contract

- 25.1 All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they're delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective when sent unless an error message is received.
- 25.2 Notices to the Buyer or Supplier must be sent to their address in the Order Form.
- 25.3 This clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.

## 26. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption

- 26.1 The Supplier shall not:
  - (a) commit any criminal offence referred to in the Regulations 57(1) and 57(2);
  - (b) offer, give, or agree to give anything, to any person (whether working for or engaged by the Buyer or any other public body) an inducement or reward for doing, refraining from doing, or for having done or refrained from doing, any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of the Contract or any other public function or for showing or refraining from showing favour or disfavour to any person in relation to the Contract or any other public function.
- 26.2 The Supplier shall take all reasonable steps (including creating, maintaining and enforcing adequate policies, procedures and records), in accordance with good industry practice, to prevent any matters referred to in clause 26.1 and any fraud by the Staff and the Supplier (including its shareholders, members and directors) in connection with the Contract and shall notify the Buyer immediately if it has reason to suspect that any such matters have occurred or is occurring or is likely to occur.
- 26.3 If the Supplier or the Staff engages in conduct prohibited by clause 26.1 or commits fraud in relation to the Contract or any other contract with the Crown (including the Buyer) the Buyer may:
  - (a) terminate the Contract and recover from the Supplier the amount of any loss suffered by the Buyer resulting from the termination, including the cost reasonably incurred by the Buyer of making other arrangements for the supply of the Deliverables and any additional expenditure incurred by the Buyer throughout the remainder of the Contract; or
  - (b) recover in full from the Supplier any other loss sustained by the Buyer in consequence of any breach of this clause.

# 27. Equality, diversity and human rights

- 27.1 The Supplier must follow all applicable equality law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:
  - (a) protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise:
  - (b) any other requirements and instructions which the Buyer reasonably imposes related to equality Law.

27.2 The Supplier must take all necessary steps, and inform the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on the Contract.

#### 28. Health and safety

- 28.1 The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:
  - (a) all applicable law regarding health and safety;
  - (b) the Buyer's current health and safety policy while at the Buyer's premises, as provided to the Supplier.
- 28.2 The Supplier and the Buyer must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they're aware of at the Buyer premises that relate to the performance of the Contract.

#### 29. Environment

- 29.1 When working on Site the Supplier must perform its obligations under the Buyer's current Environmental Policy, which the Buyer must provide.
- 29.2 The Supplier must ensure that Supplier Staff are aware of the Buyer's Environmental Policy.

#### 30. Tax

- 30.1 The Supplier must not breach any tax or social security obligations and must enter into a binding agreement to pay any late contributions due, including where applicable, any interest or any fines. The Buyer cannot terminate the Contract where the Supplier has not paid a minor tax or social security contribution.
- 30.2 Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under the Off Contract, the Supplier must both:
  - (a) comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions;
  - (b) indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff.
- 30.3 If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:
  - (a) the Buyer may, at any time during the term of the Contract, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with clause 30.2, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding:

- (b) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer;
- (c) the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers isn't good enough to demonstrate how it complies with clause 30.2 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements;
- (d) the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management.

#### 31. Conflict of interest

- 31.1 The Supplier must take action to ensure that neither the Supplier nor the Supplier Staff are placed in the position of an actual or potential conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to the Buyer under the Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer.
- 31.2 The Supplier must promptly notify and provide details to the Buyer if a conflict of interest happens or is expected to happen.
- 31.3 The Buyer can terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier or take any steps it thinks are necessary where there is or may be an actual or potential conflict of interest.

# 32. Reporting a breach of the contract

- 32.1 As soon as it is aware of it the Supplier and Supplier Staff must report to the Buyer any actual or suspected breach of law, clause 13.1, or clauses 26 to 31.
- 32.2 The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in goodfaith reports a breach listed in clause 32.1.

# 33. Resolving disputes

- 33.1 If there is a dispute between the Parties, their senior representatives who have authority to settle the dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the dispute.
- 33.2 If the dispute is not resolved at that meeting, the Parties can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the dispute, the dispute must be resolved using clauses 33.3 to 33.5.
- 33.3 Unless the Buyer refers the dispute to arbitration using clause 33.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive iurisdiction to:
  - (a) determine the dispute:
  - (b) grant interim remedies;
  - (c) grant any other provisional or protective relief.



- 33.4 The Supplier agrees that the Buyer has the exclusive right to refer any dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.
- 33.5 The Buyer has the right to refer a dispute to arbitration even if the Supplier has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under clause 33.3, unless the Buyer has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under clause 33.4.
- 33.6 The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of the Contract during any dispute.

## 34. Which law applies

This Contract and any issues arising out of, or connected to it, are governed by English law.





#### **APPENDIX A - VARIATION REQUEST FORM**

Contract / Project Title:				
Contract / Project Ref No (FS /FSA No):				
Full Description of Variation Request:				
A full justification and impact assessment including any supplementary evidence must be provided. Any supporting information should be appended to this form.				
Area (s) Impacted: -				
Price Duration Price & Duration Scope of work Key Personnel Other				
Requester:				
Signature:				
Team / Organisation				
Date:				
Supplier Contact Details				
Supplier Name : Contact Name : Contact Address :				
Telephone No : Email Address :				
FSA Use Only (Business Area)				
Amount Approved:				
Authorised By:-   Cost Centre Manager   Investment Board				
Signed :				
Date of Approval:				
Please submit this form to fsa.procurement@food.gov.uk				



<b>Procurement Use Only</b>	(confirm contract al	lows for requested variation)

Variation Request No:

Variation Request Approved by:

Date of Approval:

On full approval of this Request for Variation, Procurement will produce a Variation Form for agreement and approval by both parties to append to the Agreement / Contract.





APPENDIX	B VARIATION FORM	Agency		
PROJECT T	TITLE:			
DATE:				
VARIATIO	N No:			
BETWEEN:	:			
	The Food Standards Agency (hereinafter called Campden) Ltd (hereinafter called "the Supplier			
1. The Contract is varied as follows:				
	Contract			
	х			
2. Words and expressions in this Variation shall have the meanings given to them in the Framework.				
<ol> <li>The Contract, including any previous Variations, shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this Variation.</li> </ol>				
	SIGNED:			
	For: The Buyer	For: The Supplier		
	Ву:	Ву:		
	Full Name:	Full Name:		