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| <b>Order for Services</b>         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Detailed Statement of Work</b> | <p>The department requires an independent analytical report that assesses the impact potential changes to APVMA cost recovery arrangements/policy would have on the agricultural and veterinary chemicals market and provides recommendations for changes that could be considered by government. Of particular interest is the '40:60 policy'. This policy deviates from the Australian Government Cost Recovery Policy in that it only recovers 40% of the cost of registering a product through application fees, with the remainder paid for by the sales levy. The policy is intended to ensure the application fee does not act as a barrier to new products in the market, and is aimed at small businesses, niche products and products that have low value of sales. The report should provide an independent assessment on whether the policy is meeting its objectives. For example, considering its impact on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The agricultural and veterinary chemicals markets, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Overall number of products registered for use in Australia</li> <li>○ market participation from small businesses, and niche or innovative products</li> <li>○ Are there any policy alternatives that could encourage small business, and niche or innovative product participation in the market?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Agricultural productivity</li> <li>• Emergency management capability (and consequent protection of Australia's primary industries, people, and the environment)</li> <li>• APVMA's funding.</li> </ul> <p>The procurement will produce the following deliverables to the satisfaction of the department:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A project plan, produced by the supplier that details the project methodology</li> <li>2. A Draft Final Report, produced by the supplier, providing: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A literature and policy review to help inform the assessment of the APVMA's cost recovery policy, including international benchmarking, recent stakeholder commentary, and academic and or grey literature</li> <li>b. A quantitative market assessment to help inform the assessment of the APVMA's cost recovery policy and its accompanying excel model</li> <li>c. Two to three reform options for APVMA cost recovery, evaluated using a multi-criteria assessment</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. A Final Report, produced by the supplier, incorporating DAFF feedback on the Draft Final Report</li> </ol> |

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