

Tender Q&A Document

Statistical analysis and interpretation of performance data from the UK Tomato Plant Response Test and German Spring Barley Test on CCS Compost

1. *Do you have compost samples that were tested with both tomato and barley PRTs? If so, how many?*

If not, what sample-level covariates have been recorded that would help link the records between different compost samples? And would you say covariates are balanced among samples? For example, how much does nutrient addition differ between compost samples used with barley and samples used with tomato, whether at the planting stage or during cultivation?

We have two labs testing individual compost samples with both tomato and spring barley in different growth environments. One lab is projected to test between 36-72 compost samples and a second lab 36 samples after 12 months. Nitrogen is added in both tests so should not be a limiting factor regardless of nitrogen status of a received compost.

2. *The TID mentions that we can obtain a copy of the Barley methodology on request. Could you, please, send it to us?*

The Barley methodology was supplied subject to a confidentiality agreement.