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Information

Description: 12-3J14-17-S-0020
Bid invitation number: 2000004402
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 10/31/2016 15:00:00 Offer Due Date: 11/10/2016 13:00:00

Opening date: 11/10/2016 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header:

Fresh Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000004402

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell fresh fruit pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the National School Lunch Program and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, November 22, 2016. Deliveries are to be made between January 2, 2017 and June 28, 2017.

APPLES BRAEBURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB (100523), APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB (100514), APPLES FUJI FRESH F CARTON-40 LB (100522), APPLES GALA FRESH G CARTON-40 LB (100521), PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB(100282) and PEARS D'ANJOU FRESH CTN-45 LB (100279) are 100% Total Small Business Set Aside. NAICS Code 311991 with a size standard of 500 employees or less applies to this requirement.

Offerors who intend to use more than one processing plant and shipping point for contracts awarded under this solicitation, other than the processing plant and shipping point entered in their bids, may submit a list of their approved processing plants and shipping points on a separate sheet of paper to be uploaded in WBSCM, and to be submitted with their bids.

Vendors or subcontractors who are supplying fresh fruit are required to undergo and pass the USDA AMS SCP Specialty Crop Inspection Division (SCID) Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Good Handling Practices (GHP) verification audits, and must score at least 80% on each of the following scopes for each product being offered:

GAP - Farm Review; Field Harvesting & Field Packing Activities GHP - House Packing Facility; and Storage & Transportation

All these requirements shall be met PRIOR to the bid opening date.

Brokers are exempt from the GAP/GHP requirements themselves, however its suppliers/subcontractors performing under the contract shall have the applicable USDA GAP/GHP certification(s).

Verification audits shall be performed by the USDA, AMS, SCP-SCID representatives only.

In order to verify that the contractor and/or its subcontractors/suppliers are in compliance with GAP/GHP certification, offerors are required to submit GAP/GHP certificates for all scopes of the contract being performed and for all commodities being offered. Certificates must be uploaded in WBSCM as part of their bids. Bids received without copies of GAP/GHP certificates, or missing one of the scopes specified above for GAP/GHP will be deemed nonresponsive.

Offerors who do not intend to perform the contracts awarded under this solicitation must submit a list of their approved subcontractors/suppliers on separate sheet of paper to be uploaded into WBSCM with their

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GAP/GHP certificates, and to be submitted with their bids.

Offerors may contact USDA/AMS after contract award to submit a waiver request for additional suppliers to be added to the approved list on the contract and include copies of their GAP/GHP certificates to the waiver request. The Fresh Produce Audit Verification Program can be accessed at the following website: https://www.ams.usda.gov/gapghp.htm

If USDA/AMS finds that suppliers used by the contractor are not in compliance with AMS GAP/GHP certification requirements after the product is delivered, the following courses of action will apply:

- 1. The first time non compliance occurs AMS will deduct a 50% discount from the invoice for all noncompliant deliveries.
- 2. The second time non compliance occurs:
- a. USDA/AMS will deduct a 50% discount from the invoice for all noncompliant deliveries;
- b. The contract will be terminated for default; and
- c. The contractor will be suspended from participating in all future USDA/AMS fresh fruit and vegetable solicitations for a period of one (1) year from the date of contract termination.

This Solicitation may show multiple stops on some line items; however, the number of stops will be limited to a maximum of three. To determine the number of destinations, review the "Tendering Text" for the lot, which will indicate the City and State for each stop. Bidders may submit different prices for each stop. However, a price is required on all line items within the lot.

For offshore destinations (Puerto Rico, Hawaii, etc.), offerors have the option to choose to enter their bids direct to the offshore destination or to the port.

Purchases will be made on an f.o.b. destination basis to cities on this Solicitation. Destination quantities listed are

estimates and subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient needs, market conditions, and program operations.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

Offers must be submitted electronically via the Web-Based Supply Chain Management System (WBSCM). Offers submitted by any means other than WBSCM will be deemed nonresponsive. Offerors must be active in WBSCM and have the required bidder roles in order to submitoffers under this Solicitation. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions or call (202) 720-4517 for assistance.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated April 2015, Master Solicitation, Amendment No1 dated June 2015 and Amendment No 2 dated May 2016; Commodity Specification for Fresh Fruit dated August 2014, as amended; or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Room 3522-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517.FAX:(202)

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See attached documents:

- 1. AMS Master Solicition dated April 2015
- 2. AMS Master Solicitation Amendment No.1 dated June 2015
- 3. AMS Master Solicitation Amendment No 2 dated May 2016
- 4. Commodity Spec for Fresh Fruit Amendment 1 dated March 2015
- 5. Commodity Specification for Fresh Fruit dated August 2014

Attributes:

OFFEROR CERTIFIES THAT THE OFFER IS MADE SUBJECT TO THE MASTER SOLICITATION; COMMODITY SUPPLEMENT AND/OR SPECIFICATION(S); THIS SOLICITATION; THE AGRICULTURE ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (AGAR) AND THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (FAR).

Timely performance: Offeror and any subcontractor have completed required performance of any USDA contract prior to this bid opening.

Permitted values: - Have been delivered

- Have not been delivered
- Have not been delivered, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer
- There are no existing contracts/purchase orders

OFFEROR REQUESTS HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE. APPLIES ONLY TO FIRMS CERTIFIED IN THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION#S HUBZONE PROGRAM (FAR SUBPART 19.13).MUST BE THE MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER OF THE PRODUCT TO RECEIVE A PRICE PREFERENCE

Furnish name, title, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address of person submitting this bid (must be

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an officer of the company or a person authorized to execute contracts/purchase orders on behalf of the bidder).

IS THE OFFEROR AN ENTITY THAT HAS FILED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION IN ONE OF THE FIFTY STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR THE VARIOUS TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES? YOU MUST ANSWER THE NEXT 3 QUESTIONS IF THE ANSWER FOR THIS QUESTION IS YES.

HAS THE OFFEROR BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

HAS THE OFFEROR HAD ANY OFFICER OR AGENT OF OFFEROR CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION FOR ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF OFFEROR UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

DOES THE OFFEROR HAVE ANY UNPAID FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY ASSESSED, WHICH ALL JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED/LAPSED, THAT IS NOT BEING PAID IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING IT?

Offeror acknowledges receipt of the amendment(s) to the solicitation. Select N/A if no amendment was issued to the solicitation.

Permitted values:

- Yes

- No

- N/A

Bid invitation Item details						
Item Material Description		Required by	ZipCode Q	uantity	_	
10 FRUIT, FRESH						
20 APPI	LES BRAE	BURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB				
30 LOT: 307154693 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /						
40	100523	APPLES BRAEBURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	89101	462	CS
50	100523	APPLES BRAEBURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	89512	462	CS
60 LOT: 652876599 CLEARWATER FL / TAMPA						
		Tendering text - Item: LOT: 652876	599 CLEARWATER FL/	TAMPA FL/		
70	100523	APPLES BRAEBURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB	03/20/2017-03/22/2017	33756	224	CS
80	100523	APPLES BRAEBURNN FRESH B CARTON-40 LB	03/20/2017-03/22/2017	33605	700	CS
		Total Quantity for APPLES BRAEBUR	NN FRESH B CARTON-4	0 LB	1,848	cs

90 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB 100 BUFFALO NY

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110 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/29/2017-05/31/2017	14206	924	cs		
120 LOT: 292	120 LOT: 292204500 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE						
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 29220 CHARLESTON SC /	04500 AIKEN SC / GREEN	IVILLE SC /	NO			
130 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	29803	148	cs		
140 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	29611	545	CS		
150 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	29405	231	CS		
160 LOT: 385	5277057 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /	/					
170 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	89101	462	CS		
180 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	89512	462	cs		
190 LOT: 584	4301977 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /	/					
200 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	89101	462	cs		
210 10051	7 APPLES EMPIRE FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	89512	462	cs		
	Total Quantity for APPLES EMPIRE	FRESH CTN-40 LB		3,696	cs		
	JJI FRESH F CARTON-40 LB						
230 LOT: 110	0403780 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /	/					
240 10052		05/29/2017-05/31/2017	89101	462	CS		
250 10052		05/29/2017-05/31/2017	89512	462	CS		
260 LOT: 877	7044604 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /	/					
270 10052	2 APPLES FUJI FRESH F CARTON-40 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	89101	462	CS		
280 10052		06/26/2017-06/28/2017	89512	462	CS		
	Total Quantity for APPLES FUJI FF	RESH F CARTON-40 LB		1,848	CS		
290 APPLES G	ALA FRESH G CARTON-40 LB						
300 LOT: 428	8898185 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /	/					
310 10052	1 APPLES GALA FRESH G CARTON-40 LB	03/27/2017-03/29/2017	89101	462	cs		
320 10052	1 APPLES GALA FRESH G CARTON-40 LB	03/27/2017-03/29/2017	89512	462	cs		
	Total Quantity for APPLES GALA F	RESH G CARTON-40 LB		924	cs		
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330 APPLES GI	RANNY SMITH FRESH CTN-40 LB						
340 LOT: 271	1759092 CLEARWATER FL/TAMPA .						
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 27178	59092 CLEARWATER FL	/ TAMPA FI	L /			
350 11054	3 APPLES GRANNY SMITH FRESH CTN-40 L	B 06/19/2017-06/21/2017	33756	224	cs		
360 11054	3 APPLES GRANNY SMITH FRESH CTN-40 L	B 06/19/2017-06/21/2017	33605	700	CS		
	Total Quantity for APPLES GRANN	IY SMITH FRESH CTN-40	LB	924	cs		

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	_		
	TES RED I EW ORLEA	DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB						
	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/06/2017-02/08/2017	70123	924	CS		
	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	04/03/2017-04/05/2017	70123	924	CS		
_	ALTIMORE							
_	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/16/2017-01/18/2017	21227	924	CS		
	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/13/2017-03/15/2017	21227	924	CS		
440 HI	LLSIDE N	J						
450	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	07205	924	CS		
460	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	07205	924	CS		
_	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	07205	924	CS		
480 NE	EPTUNE N	IJ						
490	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	07753	924	cs		
500	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	07753	924	cs		
510	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	07753	924	cs		
520 PE	NNSAUK	EN NJ						
530	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	08110	924	cs		
540	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	08110	924	cs		
550	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	08110	924	cs		
560 BU	JFFALO N	ΥΥ						
570	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/27/2017-03/01/2017	14206	924	cs		
580 H	DUSTON	ΤΧ						
590	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/02/2017-01/04/2017	77029	924	cs		
600	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	77029	924	cs		
610	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	04/03/2017-04/05/2017	77029	924	cs		
620	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/15/2017-05/17/2017	77029	924	cs		
630 SA	AN ANTO	NIO TX						
640	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	78227	924	cs		
650 LC	DT: 21124	2478 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /						
660	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	04/24/2017-04/26/2017	89101	462	cs		
670	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	04/24/2017-04/26/2017	89512	462	cs		
680 LC	680 LOT: 323399837 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /							
690	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	89101	462	cs		
700	100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	89512	462	cs		
710 LC	DT: 83483	3206 EWING NJ / PHILLIPSBUR						

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Item Materia	I Description	Required by	ZipCode C	Quantity	_
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 834833206 EWING NJ / PHILLIPSBURG NJ / VINELAND NJ /				
720 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	08628	231	cs
730 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	08865	231	cs
740 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	05/08/2017-05/10/2017	08360	462	CS
750 LOT: 8483	80643 EWING NJ / PHILLIPSBUR				
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 848380	643 EWING NJ / PHILLII	PSBURG NJ /	/ VINELAN	ID NJ /
760 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	08628	231	CS
770 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	08865	231	CS
780 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	01/09/2017-01/11/2017	08360	462	CS
790 LOT: 9568	76364 EWING NJ / PHILLIPSBUR				
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 956876	364 EWING NJ / PHILLII	PSBURG NJ /	/ VINELAN	ID NJ /
800 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	08628	231	CS
810 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	08865	231	CS
820 100514	APPLES RED DELICIOUS FRESH CTN-40 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	08360	462	CS
	Total Quantity for APPLES RED DELI	CIOUS FRESH CTN-40 L	В	22,176	cs
	TLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB				
840 LOT: 8842	3032 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /				
850 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	89101	450	CS
860 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	02/20/2017-02/22/2017	89512	450	CS
870 LOT: 2766	74500 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /				
880 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	89101	450	CS
890 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	03/06/2017-03/08/2017	89512	450	CS
900 LOT: 5849	51922 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /				
910 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	89101	450	CS
920 100282	PEARS BARTLETT FRESH CTN-45 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	89512	450	CS
	Total Quantity for PEARS BARTLETT	FRESH CTN-45 LB		2,700	CS
000 054 00 0744	LIQUEDEQUIQUE AS AS AS				
	IJOU FRESH CTN-45 LB				
940 SAN ANTO					
950 100279	PEARS D'ANJOU FRESH CTN-45 LB	02/13/2017-02/15/2017	78227	900	CS
	Total Quantity for PEARS D'ANJOU	FRESH CTN-45 LB		900	CS
960 PEARS FRES	H PKG-12/2 I B				
970 HOUSTON		04/00/0047 04/05/0047	77000	000	00
980 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	77029	980	CS

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990 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	05/01/2017-05/03/2017	77029	980	cs
1000 LOT: 259	754477 LAS VEGAS NV / RENO NV /				
1010 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	89101	490	cs
1020 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	89512	490	CS
1030 LOT: 264	792663 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE				
	Tendering text - Item : LOT: 264792 CHARLESTON SC /	663 AIKEN SC / GREEN	VILLE SC /	NO	
1040 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	29803	157	cs
1050 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	29611	578	CS
1060 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	01/23/2017-01/25/2017	29405	245	CS
1070 LOT: 467	232687 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE				
	Tendering text - Item : LOT: 467232 CHARLESTON SC /	687 AIKEN SC / GREEN	VILLE SC /	NO	
1080 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	29803	157	CS
1090 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	29611	578	cs
1100 110560	PEARS FRESH PKG-12/3 LB	06/26/2017-06/28/2017	29405	245	cs
	Total Quantity for PEARS FRESH PKG	G-12/3 LB		4,900	cs
	Total Quantity for Invitation			39,916	cs

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