

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
**1400 Independence Avenue,**  
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1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Room 3522-S, STOP 0239  
Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: **12-3J14-17-S-0146**  
Bid invitation number: **2000004585**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 02/28/2017 11:40:00  
Offer Due Date : 03/13/2017 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 03/13/2017 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

##### Tendering text - Header :

Canned Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000004585

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned 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, March 17, 2017. Deliveries are to be made between June 1, 2017 and June 30, 2017.

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.

USDA will accept product produced in the preceding year as long as it was produced according to the applicable Commodity Specification and meets the requirements within.

Inspection of canned products must be performed not more than 18 months prior to shipment.

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 submit offers 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 January 2017, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated September, 2014, as amended; or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Room

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3522-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517. FAX: (202)720-2782.

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**See attached documents:**

- 1 . Commodity Specification Canned Fruit Amendment 1 March 2015
- 2 . Commodity Specification Canned Fruit Septemeber 2014
- 3 . Commodity Specification Canned Fruit Amendment 2 June 2016
- 4 . AMS Master Solicitation January 2017

**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	Quantity	
<b>10</b>		<b>FRUIT, CANNED</b>				
<b>20</b>		<b>PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300</b>				
<b>30</b>		<b>OFFSHORE: PITI GU</b>				
40	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	96915	1,620	CS
<b>50</b>		<b>BRONX NY</b>				
60	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	10474	1,620	CS
<b>70</b>		<b>OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR</b>				
80	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	07250	1,620	CS
<b>90</b>		<b>SALT LAKE CITY UT</b>				
100	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/16/2017-06/30/2017	84119	1,620	CS
<b>110</b>		<b>LOT: 15897741 CHICAGO IL / GENEVA IL /</b>				
120	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	60632	810	CS
130	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	60134	810	CS
<b>140</b>		<b>LOT: 417777171 CLEVELAND OH / GROVE C...</b>				
		<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 417777171 CLEVELAND OH / GROVE CITY OH / LIMA OH /</b>				
150	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	44110	540	CS

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160	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	43123	540	CS
170	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	45804	540	CS
<b>180 LOT: 441759030 FORT PIERCE FL / TAMPA...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 441759030 FORT PIERCE FL / TAMPA FL /						
190	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	34947	405	CS
200	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	33605	1,215	CS
<b>210 LOT: 605764133 CLAYTON GA / MIDLAND GA /</b>						
220	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	30525	810	CS
230	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	31820	810	CS
<b>240 LOT: 678611568 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 678611568 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI / LIHUE HI / WAILUKU HI /						
250	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/16/2017-06/30/2017	96720	389	CS
260	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/16/2017-06/30/2017	96819	956	CS
270	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/16/2017-06/30/2017	96766	81	CS
280	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/16/2017-06/30/2017	96793	194	CS
<b>290 LOT: 904317998 DALLAS TX / FORT WORTH...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 904317998 DALLAS TX / FORT WORTH TX / TYLER TX /						
300	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	75236	607	CS
310	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	76107	608	CS
320	100233	PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300	06/01/2017-06/15/2017	75711	405	CS
<b>Total Quantity for PLUMS PURPLE CAN-24/300</b>					<b>16,200</b>	<b>CS</b>
<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>					<b>16,200</b>	<b>CS</b>

*David M. Mumford*

Contracting officer

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