

**AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT**

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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NUMBER A02	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 5/11/2017	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQUISITION NUMBER	5. PROJECT NUMBER (If applicable) NA
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (Number, street, county, State and ZIP Code)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NUMBER 2000004714
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 5/5/2017
	<input type="checkbox"/>	10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NUMBER
	<input type="checkbox"/>	10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
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**11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS**

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers  is extended.  is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:  
 (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or electronic communication which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by letter or electronic communication, provided each letter or electronic communication makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

**13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NUMBER AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

CHECK ONE	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NUMBER IN ITEM 10A.
<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation data, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
<input type="checkbox"/>	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

**E. IMPORTANT:** Contractor  is not  is required to sign this document and return \_\_\_\_\_ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

The purpose of this Amendment is to revise information contained in the WBSCM Solicitation and RFP Document, and to distribute answers to questions received prior to, and during the pre-proposal conference held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

**Revisions:**

- 1) WBSCM Solicitation Tendering Text, Paragraph 2 is revised to read: "Awards will be announced by midnight on June 28, 2017."
- 2) WBSCM Solicitation Tendering Text, Paragraph 5 is revised to read: "The requirements for checkloading by USDA Inspectors outlined in the Commodity Specifications for Canned Fruit are NOT applicable to Purchase Orders issued against this IDIQ contract..."

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)	16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) David M. Munford Contracting Officer		
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED
(Signature of person authorized to sign)		(Signature of Contracting Officer)	

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3) RFP Document, Page 6, Section B, Item 6), is revised to read: "USDA will accept product produced in calendar year 2017 and calendar year 2018 for deliveries made under resulting contracts. Product must be produced according to the applicable Commodity Specifications (see Exhibit 1) and meet the requirements within."

4) RFP Document, Page 26, Section C-5.5, Item 6., is revised to read: "The requirements for checkloading by USDA Inspectors outlined in the Commodity Specifications for Canned Fruit are NOT applicable to Purchase Orders issued against this IDIQ contract... "

5) RFP Document, Page 33, Paragraph 1, is revised to read: There are 2 tabs on this spreadsheet for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and Household Programs.

6) RFP Document, Page 22, Section C-5.4, Item 1., is revised to read: "Canned product will be accepted for up to 18 months from the date of inspection."

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q1. Do vendors have to bid to all states, including offshores?

A1. Vendors do not have to bid to offshores unless they want to deliver all the way to final destination. We do require that you bid to all 48 contiguous states, however we are aware that you may not wish to deliver to all areas of the country. If that is the case what we advise is that enter an exorbitantly high price for those states that you do not wish to deliver.

Q2. Where does it specify the locations to ship the product to?

A2. As this is an IDIQ (Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity solicitation, we do not provide actual destination locations. We provide estimated destinations and delivery time frames of what we believe we will purchase, but these are subject to change. See Exhibit 2.

Q3. On the SF1449 it is marked as this solicitation being a Set Aside and for Service-Disabled Veterans but typically these are Unrestricted, can you please verify?

A3. It is a partial set aside and the specific materials that are subject to set aside are on page 5 of the RFP document.

Q4. On page 6 (item 6) it discusses the acceptance of 2017 product for these contracts but then it contradicts that by saying only until new product is available. Please clarify these statements.

A4. The language will be changed to read as follows: "USDA will accept product produced in calendar year 2017 and calendar year 2018 for deliveries made under resulting contracts. Product must be produced according to the applicable Commodity Specification (see Exhibit 1) and meet the requirements within."

Q5. The volume of strawberry cups is lower than in the previous years - will there be a second solicitation for these materials?

A5. We do not have a second solicitation planned. Demand for product varies from year to year. We do however build into these contracts a Maximum quantity that allows us to purchase a higher quantity than we anticipate.

Q6. What is the delivery period for this bid?

A6. 01/01/2018 – 09/30/2018

Q7. Why have the language around check loading, if it is not going to be valid for case count?

A7. The primary purpose of check loading is to verify that product that is going on the truck is the same product that was inspected by USDA previously, to verify condition of the containers, and ensure pallets are acceptable.

Q8. Will there be another canned fruit solicitation for June, July, and August?

A8. No, there is not one planned at this time.

Q9. Where in WBSCM is the Exhibit 2 spreadsheet?

A9. Exhibit 2 is available as an attachment in WBSCM and is also posted to the AMS Website. Contact WBSCM Help Desk at [WBSCMAMSHelpdesk@ams.usda.gov](mailto:WBSCMAMSHelpdesk@ams.usda.gov) at if you are having difficulty accessing the attachments in WBSCM.

Q10. Under paragraph 6 on page 6, is current year production required if we can provide the prior year production?

A10. No, we will accept product produced in 2017 or 2018 regardless of what is currently being produced.

Q11. How will the recipient agencies be notified that check loading is not required for the item that are listed?

A11. For the purchase orders that we are going to issue where there is a check loading exemption(s), the recipient will be notified at that time. There will be information in the header text of PO that check loading will be not be applicable for the exempted products on the PO.

Q12. If an order that was not subject to checkloading is rejected by the recipient, will SCI provide reinspection services?

A12. No - SCI will not reinspect any loads that were not checkloaded by SCI for the purposes of resealing and redelivering the load; SCI's services for non-checkloaded shipments will be limited to performing a Condition of Container inspection. It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure that the non-checkloaded loads are sealed and delivered in the appropriate condition.