

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. Contract ID Code N/A	Page of Pages 1 2
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2. Amendment/Modification No. A02	3. Effective Date 07/18/2017	4. Requisition/Purchase Reqn. No. N/A	5. Project No. (if applicable) N/A
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6. Issued By United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Commodity Procurement Staff 1400 Independence Ave SW STOP 0239 Washington, D.C. 20250-0239	Code	7. Administered By (If other than Item 6) See Block 6	Code
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8. Name and Address of Contractor (No., Street, County, and Zip Code)	(X)	9A. Amendment of Solicitation No. 200004819
	X	9B. Date (See Item 11) 06/26/2017
		10A. Modification of Contract/Order No.
		10B. Date (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 telegram 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 telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter 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 CONTRACT/ORDERS.
IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

(x)	A. This change order is issued pursuant to: (Specify authority) The changes set forth in item 14 are made in the Contract Order No. in item 10A.
	B. The above numbered Contract/Order is modified to reflect the administrative changes (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) Set fourth item 14, pursuant to the authority of FAR 43.103 (b)
	C. This supplemental agreement is entered into pursuant to authority of:
	D. Other (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor is not, is required to sign this document and return 1 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 answer questions received via email and during the pre-proposal conference. The questions asked and AMS' answers to them are as follow:

1) Question: Is there a time frame for this contract? I'm only seeing the pounds with no delivery periods.

Answer: The resulting contract consist of a One-Year Base Period and Four One-Year Option Periods (See block 20 of SF1449). Delivery orders will be placed in accordance with your constraints and the discretion of the Government.

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) James D. Sprandel Contracting Officer
15B. Contractor/Offeror (Signature of person authorized to sign)	16B. United States of America (Signature of Contracting Officer)
15C. Date Signed	16C. Date Signed

- 2) Question: The current process calls for fully-cook WOG -> debone WOG -> dice -> freeze. (not a normal process for this item)

Would USDA allow us to debone WOG -> fully-cook -> dice -> freeze? Can we run broiler meat, not cooked on the bone?

Answer: Yes. This option is covered under the commodity specification, see section 570 in the FPPS.

- 3) Question: Should our delivery constraints by delivery period be submitted with our proposal.

Answer: Yes. You must submit your constraints with your proposal (See pg. 4, Proposal Part 5 – Prices). All Base Period and Option Period prices and Constraints must be entered directly in WBSCM and uploaded as an attachment in PDF format.

- 4) Question: Are hens still allowed?

Answer: Yes. Hens (mature female chickens), (AMS 70.201 (f)), weighing 4.00 pounds (1.81 kg) or more per carcass without neck and giblets, or broilers (AMS 70.201(c)) without neck and giblets. See Section 540 of Federal Purchase Program Specification.

- 5) Question: Where does it state the process I can cook the components and not the whole bird?

Answer: 570.2.1 the natural percentage of cooked white and dark meat is maintained, 570.2.2 no white meat is removed for other uses, and 570.2.3 no dark meat is added from other sources. These procedures and methods shall be reviewed and found acceptable by supervisory personnel of QAD before they can be used to produce white and dark meat for this FPPS.

- 6) Question: Based on the Diced Bid requirements under section 570.2 it allows for Max 50% dark cooked meat and Min of 50% cooked white meat. Could we exceed the 65% white to 100% cooked white meat but make an adjustment in the label to state “mostly white” instead of “natural proportion”?

Answer: Yes, 100% white meat can be used. Please follow CFR 381.117 for labeling purposes.

- 7) Question: Is a solution allowed for functionality of this product?

Answer: We have updated the FPPS to add sections 571 and 571.1 in order to allow for a solution.

- 8) Question: Concerning the source of the meat, can it be boneless white and dark meat in the ratio of 50/50?

Answer: Yes, a maximum of 50% dark and minimum of 50% white meat shall be utilized.

- 9) Question: Can you clarify if the Diced Chicken (100101) specification is non marinated cooked diced chicken? Or can this product include marinade, and if a marinade is acceptable, are there any ingredient restrictions?

Answer: Please see the answer for question 8 as a solution is allowed in the updated specification.

- 10) Question: Typical diced chicken is put through a flattener/press and then steam cooked, diced and IQF. Is this process allowable for the bid?

Answer: Yes, as long as the dice size meets the requirements of the FPPS section 580 and 581.

