

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239  
Washington, DC 20036

**Information**

Description: **12-3J14-18-S-0005**  
Bid invitation number: **2000005006**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

**SOLICITATION**  
**Domestic Commodity Invitation**

**Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 10/13/2017 10:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 10/27/2017 01:00:00  
  
Opening date: 10/27/2017 01:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

**Additional requested information:**

**Tendering text - Header :**

Frozen Vegetables, SOLICITATION NO: 2000005006

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen vegetables 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 8, 2017. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2018 to August 15, 2018.

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.

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 April 2017; the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated June 2017; 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)720-2782.

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**See attached documents:**

- 1 . MASTER SOLICITATION
- 2 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEGETABLES JUNE 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 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?

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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 VEGETABLE, FROZEN</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| <b>20 CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| <b>30 SAN BERNARDINO CA</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 40   | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 03/16/2018-03/31/2018 | 92415   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>50 SAN JOSE CA</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 60   | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 95125   | 1,320    | CS |
| 70   | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 03/16/2018-03/31/2018 | 95125   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>80 FORT MILL SC</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 90   | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 29715   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>100 ODESSA TX</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 110  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 79761   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>120 MADISON WI</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 130  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 01/16/2018-01/31/2018 | 53716   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>140 LOT: 134229717 COLORADO SPRING CO / P...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 134229717 COLORADO SPRING CO / PUEBLO CO /              |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 150  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 80915   | 990      | CS |
| 160  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 81001   | 330      | CS |
| <b>170 LOT: 166886001 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE ...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 166886001 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE SC / NO CHARLESTON SC / |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 180  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 08/01/2018-08/15/2018 | 29803   | 211      | CS |
| 190  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 08/01/2018-08/15/2018 | 29611   | 779      | CS |
| 200  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 08/01/2018-08/15/2018 | 29405   | 330      | CS |

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| <b>210 LOT: 213275946 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE ...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 213275946 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE SC / NO CHARLESTON SC / |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 220  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 29803   | 211      | CS |
| 230  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 29611   | 779      | CS |
| 240  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 29405   | 330      | CS |
| <b>250 LOT: 535981826 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGT...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 535981826 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGTON SC /                 |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 260  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 29715   | 880      | CS |
| 270  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 29072   | 440      | CS |
| <b>280 LOT: 672717299 COLORADO SPRING CO / P...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 672717299 COLORADO SPRING CO / PUEBLO CO /              |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 290  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 80915   | 990      | CS |
| 300  | 110481   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 81001   | 330      | CS |
| Total Quantity for CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB                                   |          |                                 |                       |         | 14,520   | CS |
| <b>310 CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| <b>320 BERKELEY IL</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 330  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 60163   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>340 KANSAS CITY MO</b>  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 350  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 64161   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>360 NEWARK NJ</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 370  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 08/01/2018-08/15/2018 | 07114   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>380 VINELAND NJ</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 390  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 08/01/2018-08/15/2018 | 08360   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>400 MOOSIC PA</b>   |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 410  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 18507   | 1,320    | CS |
| 420  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 18507   | 1,320    | CS |
| <b>430 LOT: 486541156 CLEVELAND OH / DAYTON ...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 486541156 CLEVELAND OH / DAYTON OH /                    |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 440  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 44135   | 660      | CS |
| 450  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 45402   | 330      | CS |
| 460  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 45402   | 330      | CS |
| <b>470 LOT: 826010707 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX ...</b>                                  |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 826010707 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX /          |          |                                 |                       |         |          |    |
| 480  | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB     | 01/16/2018-01/31/2018 | 78744   | 360      | CS |

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| 490   | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB                 | 01/16/2018-01/31/2018 | 75247   | 360           | CS        |
| 500   | 110480   | CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB                 | 01/16/2018-01/31/2018 | 77029   | 600           | CS        |
| <b>Total Quantity for CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>                       |          |   |                       |         | <b>10,560</b> | <b>CS</b> |
| <b>510 SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)</b>                         |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| <b>520 NEWARK NJ</b>  |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 530   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 07114   | 1,902         | CS        |
| 540   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 07114   | 1,902         | CS        |
| <b>550 VINELAND NJ</b>  |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 560   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 08360   | 1,902         | CS        |
| <b>570 WAYNE NJ</b>   |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 580   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 07470   | 1,902         | CS        |
| <b>590 BROOKLYN NY</b>  |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 600   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 11207   | 1,902         | CS        |
| 610   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 11236   | 1,902         | CS        |
| <b>620 LOT: 84939 CREEDMOOR NC / SALISBURY NC /</b>                         |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 630   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 27522   | 1,072         | CS        |
| 640   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 28147   | 830           | CS        |
| <b>650 LOT: 84940 CREEDMOOR NC / SALISBURY NC /</b>                         |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 660   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 27522   | 1,765         | CS        |
| 670   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 28147   | 137           | CS        |
| <b>680 LOT: 97642761 AUBURNDALE FL / PENSACOLA FL /</b>                     |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| <b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 97642761 AUBURNDALE FL / PENSACOLA FL /</b> |          |   |                       |         |               |           |
| 690   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 33823   | 1,427         | CS        |
| 700   | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB<br>(1902) | 02/01/2018-02/15/2018 | 32503   | 475           | CS        |
| <b>710 LOT: 329772609 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /</b>                         |          |   |                       |         |               |           |

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| 720  | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902) | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 07114   | 951           | CS        |
| 730  | 110425   | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902) | 03/01/2018-03/15/2018 | 08360   | 951           | CS        |
| <b>Total Quantity for SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)</b> |          |  |                       |         | <b>19,020</b> | <b>CS</b> |

**740 SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB**

**750 LOT: 111905442 MADISON HEIGHTS VA / R...**

**Tendering text - Item : LOT: 111905442 MADISON HEIGHTS VA / RICHMOND VA / SUFFOLK VA /**

|     |        |                                     |                       |       |     |    |
|-----|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----|----|
| 760 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 24572 | 408 | CS |
| 770 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 23230 | 426 | CS |
| 780 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 23435 | 570 | CS |

**790 LOT: 360742603 AUSTIN TX / SAN ANTONI...**

**Tendering text - Item : LOT: 360742603 AUSTIN TX / SAN ANTONIO TX /**

|     |        |                                     |                       |       |     |    |
|-----|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----|----|
| 800 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 78744 | 527 | CS |
| 810 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 78217 | 351 | CS |
| 820 | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 01/01/2018-01/15/2018 | 78227 | 526 | CS |

**830 LOT: 788316568 DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX...**

**Tendering text - Item : LOT: 788316568 DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX / SAN ANTONIO TX /**

|   |        |                                     |                       |       |              |           |
|---|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|-----------|
| 840   | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 75247 | 643          | CS        |
| 850   | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 77029 | 410          | CS        |
| 860   | 110391 | SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB | 02/16/2018-02/28/2018 | 78277 | 351          | CS        |
| <b>Total Quantity for SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB</b> |        |                                     |                       |       | <b>4,212</b> | <b>CS</b> |

**Total Quantity for Invitation** **48,312 CS**

*David M. Mumford*

Contracting officer

Commodity Procurement Division

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