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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-18-S-0138**
Bid invitation number: **2000005177**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 01/18/2018 13:00:00
Offer Due Date : 02/01/2018 13:00:00

Opening date: 02/01/2018 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000005177

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Dried 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, February 15, 2018. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018.

Per FDA regulations, the following minimum mandatory labeling requirements for all foods, whether sold or donated, must appear on the label: Name of the food, Manufacturer's name and location, Net weight of the product, Ingredients list, and Allergen declaration. These requirements are codified in 21 CFR 101.2, 101.3, 101.4 and 101.5. See the following link for a guidance manual:
<http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/GuidanceDocumentsRegulatoryInformation/LabelingNutrition/ucm064894.htm>

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.

FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB, PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG 24/1 LB, FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB, are 100% Small Business.

For FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB (100297): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 25 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; raisins, and either walnuts or almonds, mixture tolerance for this item is plus or minus 3 percent of each DRIED FRUIT ingredient (walnuts must be 25% minimum).

For FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB (110161): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 25 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; dried apple; and raisins, mixture tolerance for this item is plus or minus 3 percent of each ingredient.

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,

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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; 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 . Specifications for Dried Fruit September 2017
- 2 . Master SOL April 2017
- 3 . Amendment to Dried Fruit 12/21/2017

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

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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?

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	
10		FRUIT, DRIED				
20		CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ				
30		BAKERSFIELD CA				
40	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	93301	1,500	CS
50	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/16/2018-05/31/2018	93301	1,500	CS
60		SACRAMENTO CA				
70	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2018-06/15/2018	95814	1,500	CS

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Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ					4,500	CS
80 FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB						
90 BALTIMORE MD						
100	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	06/01/2018-06/15/2018	21227	1,456	CS
110 KANSAS CITY MO						
120	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2018-05/31/2018	64161	1,456	CS
130 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
140	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	07250	1,456	CS
150 LOT: 40164293 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE S...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 40164293 AIKEN SC / GREENVILLE SC / NO CHARLESTON SC /						
160	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	29803	233	CS
170	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	29611	859	CS
180	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	29405	364	CS
Total Quantity for FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB					5,824	CS
190 FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB						
200 SACRAMENTO CA						
210	110161	FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	06/01/2018-06/15/2018	95814	1,456	CS
Total Quantity for FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB					1,456	CS
220 PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB						
230 NAMPA ID						
240	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	83687	1,500	CS
250 KANSAS CITY MO						
260	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	64161	1,500	CS
270 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
280	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2018-05/31/2018	07250	1,500	CS
290	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	07250	1,500	CS
Total Quantity for PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB					6,000	CS
300 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ						
310 DIXON CA						
320	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	95620	2,964	CS
330	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	95620	2,964	CS

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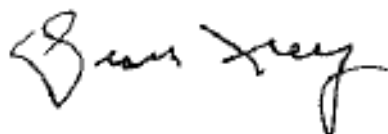
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340 FRESNO CA						
350	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	93722	2,964	CS
360	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	93722	2,964	CS
370	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	93722	2,964	CS
380 ONTARIO CA						
390	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	91761	2,964	CS
400	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	91761	2,964	CS
410 POMONA CA						
420	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	91767	2,964	CS
430	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	91767	2,964	CS
440	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	91767	2,964	CS
450 SACRAMENTO CA						
460	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	95814	2,964	CS
470 SAN DIEGO CA						
480	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	92123	2,964	CS
490 PLANT CITY FL						
500	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	33563	2,964	CS
510 CHICAGO IL						
520	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	60609	8,892	CS
530	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	60609	11,856	CS
540	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	60609	2,964	CS
550 URBANA IL						
560	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	61801	2,964	CS
570 BALTIMORE MD						
580	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	21227	2,964	CS
590 NEWPORT MN						
600	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	55055	2,964	CS
610 BUFFALO NY						
620	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	14206	2,964	CS
630 OFFSHORE: BAYAMON PR						
640	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	00956	2,964	CS
650 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
660	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	00725	2,964	CS
670 OFFSHORE: PONCE PR						
680	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	00731	2,964	CS
690 HOUSTON TX						

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700	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	77028	5,928	CS
710 LOT: 300951329 ONTARIO CA / POMONA CA /						
720	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	91761	2,223	CS
730	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	91767	741	CS
740 LOT: 314171411 BIRMINGHAM AL / CLANTO...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 314171411 BIRMINGHAM AL / CLANTON AL /						
750	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	35210	2,070	CS
760	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	35045	894	CS
770 LOT: 439082968 CLEARWATER FL / TAMPA ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 439082968 CLEARWATER FL / TAMPA FL /						
780	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	33756	741	CS
790	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/16/2018-06/30/2018	33605	2,223	CS
800 LOT: 621657163 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /						
810	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	07114	1,482	CS
820	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	08360	1,482	CS
Total Quantity for RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ					100,776	CS
830 RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ						
840 NAMPA ID						
850	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	83687	1,728	CS
860 KANSAS CITY MO						
870	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	64161	1,728	CS
880	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2018-05/15/2018	64161	1,728	CS
Total Quantity for RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ					5,184	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					123,740	CS



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