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Information

Description: **12-3J14-19-B-0478**
Bid invitation number: **2000006236**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

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Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 07/02/2019 17:00:00
Offer Due Date : 07/18/2019 13:00:00

Opening date: 07/18/2019 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Master

Additional requested information:

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The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests offers to sell Canned and Frozen Vegetable Products pursuant to the attached Invitation for Bids (IFB) solicitation document for use in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs.

Awards will be announced by Midnight, Tuesday, August 6, 2019. Deliveries are to be made between July 1, 2020, and September 30, 2020.

All offerors should reference the Vegetable Invitation For Bids (IFB) IDIQ 2000006236 document attached to the solicitation for more information.

QUESTIONS regarding this IFB are due on or before 11:00 am Central Time, on Wednesday, July 10, 2019, via email only, to Cedric Hopkins at cedric.hopkins@usda.gov. Please use #Questions concerning Solicitation 2000006236 Canned & Frozen Vegetable IDIQ# as the subject line. Vendors are required to submit all questions no later than the deadline specified above. Untimely question submissions may not be answered. Answers to questions will be issued in writing via an amendment to the solicitation.

SET ASIDES:

100307 - BEANS GREEN CAN 6/10 # SB 25%
100331 - POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN 24/300 # SB 50%

The requirements for checkloading by USDA Inspectors outlined in the Commodity Specifications for Frozen Vegetables are NOT applicable to contracts awarded under this solicitation, for the following products ONLY:

100348 CORN FRZ CTN-30 LB
100350 PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB
100352 CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB

Pack Year: USDA will accept product produced in calendar year 2019 and calendar year 2020 for deliveries made under resulting contracts.

Canned products will be accepted for up to 18 months from date of inspection.

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 proposals. Purchases will be made on an f.o.b.

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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.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. 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.

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See attached documents:

- 1 . Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurements-Domestic Program
- 2 . Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables March 2019
- 3 . Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables March 2019
- 4 . Vegetable Invitation for Bids IDIQ 2000006236
- 5 . Part B-Schedule July-September 2020
- 6 . Exhibit 2-Estimates Based on Current Orders-Veg

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

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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

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

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).

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Quantity
10		VEGETABLE, CANNED	
20	100314	PEAS CAN-24/300	CS 165,240.000
		Total Quantity for PEAS CAN-24/300	CS 165,240.000
30	100311	CORN WHOLE KERNEL CAN-24/300	CS 257,040.000

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
		Total Quantity for CORN WHOLE KERNEL CAN-24/300		CS
			257,040.000	
40	100320	VEG MIX CAN-24/300		CS
			199,260.000	
		Total Quantity for VEG MIX CAN-24/300		CS
			199,260.000	
50	100331	POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN-24/300		CS
			130,050.000	
		Total Quantity for POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN-24/300		CS
			130,050.000	
60	100328	TOMATO DICED CAN-24/300		CS
			147,420.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO DICED CAN-24/300		CS
			147,420.000	
70	100307	BEANS GREEN CAN-6/10		CS
			111,264.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN CAN-6/10		CS
			111,264.000	
80	100313	CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10		CS
			118,560.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10		CS
			118,560.000	
90	100306	BEANS GREEN CAN-24/300		CS
			254,340.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN CAN-24/300		CS
			254,340.000	
100	100310	CORN CREAM STYLE CAN-24/300		CS
			32,400.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN CREAM STYLE CAN-24/300		CS
			32,400.000	
110	100315	PEAS CAN-6/10		CS
			14,592.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS CAN-6/10		CS
			14,592.000	
120	100329	TOMATO DICED CAN-6/10		CS
			24,624.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO DICED CAN-6/10		CS
			24,624.000	

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
130		VEGETABLE, FROZEN		
140	100352	CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			34,320.000	
		Total Quantity for CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			34,320.000	
150	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			33,000.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			33,000.000	
160	110871	MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			18,480.000	
		Total Quantity for MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			18,480.000	
170	111053	CORN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			11,880.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			11,880.000	
180	111054	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			9,720.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			9,720.000	
190	110763	PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			11,880.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			11,880.000	
200	100348	CORN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			99,000.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			99,000.000	
210	100350	PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			25,080.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			25,080.000	
		Total Quantity for Invitation		CS
			1,698,150.00	
			0	



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