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S.W. - Room 3522 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 3522-S, STOP 0239 Washington, DC 20036 Information

Description: 12-3J14-20-B-0203
Bid invitation number: 2000006699
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

### **SOLICITATION**

**Domestic Commodity Invitation** 

#### **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 01/15/2020 15:00:00 Offer Due Date : 01/22/2020 13:00:00

Opening date: 01/22/2020 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

### Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000006699

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Dried Fig Pieces (100289) under Section 32, and 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, January 31, 2020. Deliveries are to be made between March 16, 2020 and May 15, 2020.

The specialist for this solicitation is Samantha Gullion (Samantha.Gullion@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kyla Stoufer (Kyla.Stoufer@usda.gov). Please contact the specialist first, with questions regarding the requirements of this solicitation. Do not discuss your bid prices with the specialist or contracting officer before award.

There are no set asides for this solicitation.

The Quality Tolerance section of the specification document, "Contractor will be allowed a tolerance on the final delivery of plus or minus 50 cases of each product, from each shipping point named in the purchase order", is not applicable to this solicitation. USDA will not pay for any cases exceeding the contracted quantity.

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.

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,

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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 March 2019; 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 . Commodity Specification Dried Fruit August 2019
- 2 . AMS Master Solicitation Oct 2019

### 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.

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Permitted values: - There are no existing contracts/purchase orders

- Have not been delivered, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer

- Have not been delivered

- Have been delivered

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: - N/A

- No

- Yes

Bid invitation Item details				
Item Material Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
10 FRUIT, DRIED				
20 FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB				
30 COMMERCE CA				
40 100289 FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	90040		cs
			1,584.000	
50 LONG BEACH CA				
60 100289 FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	90813		CS

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				1,584.000	
70 SACRAM	ENTO CA				
80 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	95828	1,584.000	(
90 ORLANDO	) FL				
100 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	32805	1,584.000	(
110 VINELAI	ND NJ				
120 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	08360	1,584.000	(
130 LATHAN	1 NY				
140 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	12110	1,584.000	(
150 HOUST	ON TX				
160 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	77029	1,584.000	
170 LOT: 47	864418 CLEVELAND OH / FAIF	RFIEL			
	Tendering text - Item : LOT: 47 CITY OH /	7864418 CLEVELAND OH	/ FAIRFIE	ELD OH / G	R
180 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	44110		
				523.000	
190 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	45014	523.000 538.000	
190 100289 200 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020 05/01/2020-05/15/2020	45014 43123		
200 100289		05/01/2020-05/15/2020		538.000	
200 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020 PA / H	43123	538.000 523.000	
200 100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB  2181254 EAST STROUDSBURG  Tendering text - Item : LOT: 53	05/01/2020-05/15/2020 PA / H	43123	538.000 523.000	
200 100289 210 LOT: 53	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB 2181254 EAST STROUDSBURG Tendering text - Item: LOT: 53 PA / HONESDALE PA /	05/01/2020-05/15/2020 PA / H 3181254 EAST STROUDS	43123 BURG PA	538.000 523.000 / HARRISB	:UI

250 LOT: 59222641 LAFAYETTE IN / MERRILLV...

Tendering text - Item : LOT: 59222641 LAFAYETTE IN / MERRILLVILLE IN / SOUTH BEND IN /

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260	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	47904	492.000	CS
270	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	46410	522.000	CS
280	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	46601	570.000	CS
290	LOT: 10	1140085 CHATTANOOGA TN / ME	MPH			
		<b>Tendering text - Item :</b> LOT: 10114 NASHVILLE TN /	10085 CHATTANOOGA	TN / ME	EMPHIS TN	/
300	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	37406	484.000	CS
310	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	38118	550.000	CS
320	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	37228	550.000	CS
330	LOT: 20	4961610 DELMONT PA / DUQUESM	NE			
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 20496	31610 DELMONT PA /	DUQUES	NE PA / ER	IE PA
340	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/16/2020-04/30/2020	15626	396.000	cs
350	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/16/2020-04/30/2020	15110	792.000	CS
360	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/16/2020-04/30/2020	16501	396.000	CS
370	LOT: 26	4615825 COLORADO SPRING CO /	G			
		<b>Tendering text - Item :</b> LOT: 26461 PALISADE CO /	5825 COLORADO SPE	RING CO	/ GREELEY	CO /
380	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	80915	396.000	cs
390	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	80631	396.000	CS
400	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2020-04/15/2020	81526	792.000	CS
410	LOT: 36	1456597 BRONX NY / LATHAM NY	<b>/</b> /			
420	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	10474	792.000	cs
430	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	12110	792.000	CS

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440	LOT: 44	5578779 LAFAYETTE LA / NEW OI	RL			
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 44557	78779 LAFAYETTE LA	/ NEW C	RLEANS LA	. /
450	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	70505		cs
					792.000	
460	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	70123		cs
					792.000	
470	LOT: 57	3621584 MESA AZ / TUCSON AZ	/			
480	480 100289 FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	85210		cs
					792.000	
490	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2020-05/15/2020	85713		CS
					792.000	
500	LOT: 61	5956766 DETROIT MI / ELMIRA MI	1 /			
510	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	48207		CS
					713.000	
520	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	49730		CS
					871.000	
530	LOT: 77	77766666 CREEDMOOR NC / SALI				
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 77777	66666 CREEDMOOR I	NC / SAL	ISBURY NC	/
540	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	27522		CS
					792.000	
550	100289	FIG PIECES PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2020-03/31/2020	28147		CS
					792.000	
		Total Quantity for FIG PIECES PKG-	-24/1 LB			cs
					28,512.000	
		Total Quantity for Invitation				cs
					28,512.000	

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