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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-20-B-0320**
Bid invitation number: **2000006843**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

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Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 04/02/2020 12:30:00
Offer Due Date : 04/16/2020 13:00:00

Opening date: 04/16/2020 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Kosher Fruit-Vegetables-Beans (Canned, Frozen & Dry), SOLICITATION NO: 2000006843

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Kosher Fruit-Vegetables-Beans (Canned, Frozen & Dry), 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, April 27, 2020. Deliveries are to be made between August 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.

The specialist for this solicitation is Carol Givens-Verser (carol.givens-verser@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kelli Dawkins (kelli.dawkins@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.

ALL LINE ITEMS ARE KOSHER PRODUCTS: For this solicitation, all products shall comply with applicable dietary (kosher) laws as established by the #613 Council of Kashruth.# Manufacturing plants shall be certified for compliance with the aforementioned requirement by contacting the Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York (BJENY) at 646-472-5366. At no cost to the vendor, a rabbinic supervisor will be sent to certify compliance of the manufacturing plant with the dietary (kosher) laws. Vendors should not bid on these purchase units unless they can be properly certified."

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.

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.

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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 October 2019; Specification for Canned Vegetables dated March 2020, Frozen Vegetables dated March 2020, Canned Fruit dated March 2020, Frozen Fruit dated April 2020, Canned Dried Beans dated March 2020, Dry Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils, dated June 2014 & Amendment 1 Dry Edible Beans, Peas & Lentils dated October 2015; 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-Oct 2019
- 2 . CommoditySpecificationforCannedVegetablesMarch2020
- 3 . CommoditySpecificationforFrozenVegetablesMarch2020
- 4 . CommoditySpecificationsforFrozenFruitApril2020
- 5 . CommoditySpecificationCannedFruitMarch2020
- 6 . Commodity Specification for Dry Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils,

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- 7 . Amendment 1 dry edible beans peas and lentils
 8 . CommoditySpecificationforCannedDriedBeansMarch2020

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:
- 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

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
10 FRUIT, CANNED						
20 K APPLESAUCE CAN-6/10						
30 WAYNE NJ						
40	110053	K APPLESAUCE CAN-6/10	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
50	110053	K APPLESAUCE CAN-6/10	11/16/2020-11/30/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
60	110053	K APPLESAUCE CAN-6/10	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
Total Quantity for K APPLESAUCE CAN-6/10						CS
					5,472.000	
70 K PEACHES CLING CAN-6/10						
80 WAYNE NJ						
90	110054	K PEACHES CLING CAN-6/10	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
100	110054	K PEACHES CLING CAN-6/10	11/16/2020-11/30/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
110	110054	K PEACHES CLING CAN-6/10	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
Total Quantity for K PEACHES CLING CAN-6/10						CS
					5,472.000	
420 K PEARS SLICES CAN-6/10						
430 WAYNE NJ						
440	110055	K PEARS SLICES CAN-6/10	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
450	110055	K PEARS SLICES CAN-6/10	11/16/2020-11/30/2020	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
460	110055	K PEARS SLICES CAN-6/10	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	07470		CS
					1,824.000	
Total Quantity for K PEARS SLICES CAN-6/10						CS
					5,472.000	
120 FRUIT, FROZEN						
130 K PEACH FREESTONEDICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ						
140 WAYNE NJ						
150	110056	K PEACH FREESTONEDICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470		CS
					1,400.000	
160	110056	K PEACH FREESTONEDICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ	11/01/2020-11/15/2020	07470		CS
					2,800.000	

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170	110056	K PEACH FREESTONEDICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	07470	1,400.000	CS
		Total Quantity for K PEACH FREESTONEDICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ			5,600.000	CS
180 VEGETABLE, CANNED						
190 K CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10						
200 WAYNE NJ						
210	110059	K CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470	1,824.000	CS
220	110059	K CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10	11/01/2020-11/15/2020	07470	1,824.000	CS
230	110059	K CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	07470	1,824.000	CS
		Total Quantity for K CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10			5,472.000	CS
280 K BEANS GARBANZO CAN-6/10						
290 WAYNE NJ						
300	110483	K BEANS GARBANZO CAN-6/10	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	07470	1,728.000	CS
		Total Quantity for K BEANS GARBANZO CAN-6/10			1,728.000	CS
310 K TOMATO SAUCE CAN-6/10						
320 WAYNE NJ						
330	110101	K TOMATO SAUCE CAN-6/10	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470	912.000	CS
340	110101	K TOMATO SAUCE CAN-6/10	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	07470	912.000	CS
		Total Quantity for K TOMATO SAUCE CAN-6/10			1,824.000	CS
240 BEANS, DRY						
250 K BEANS GREAT NORTHERN DRY BAG-25 LB						
260 WAYNE NJ						
270	110066	K BEANS GREAT NORTHERN DRY BAG-25 LB	08/01/2020-08/15/2020	07470	1,600.000	CS
		Total Quantity for K BEANS GREAT NORTHERN DRY BAG-25 LB			1,600.000	CS

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350		VEGETABLE, FROZEN				
360		K BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB				
370		WAYNE NJ				
380	110063	K BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	08/16/2020-08/31/2020	07470		CS
		Total Quantity for K BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB			1,320.000	CS
					1,320.000	
390		K CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB				
400		WAYNE NJ				
410	110064	K CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB	08/16/2020-08/31/2020	07470		CS
		Total Quantity for K CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB			1,320.000	CS
					1,320.000	
		Total Quantity for Invitation			35,280.000	CS



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