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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239
Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-20-B-0566**
Bid invitation number: **2000007148**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 07/20/2020 10:00:00
Offer Due Date : 07/27/2020 12:00:00

Opening date: 07/27/2020 12:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Frozen and Canned Vegetables, SOLICITATION NO: 2000007148

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Canned and 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, August 3, 2020. Deliveries are to be made between September 30, 2020 through March 15, 2021.

The specialist for this solicitation is Claudius Price (Claudius.l.price@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.

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

The Quantity 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.

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

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(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 May 1, 2020; the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated March 2020; 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 . CommoditySpecificationCannedVegetablesMarch2020
- 2 . CommoditySpecificationFrozenVegetablesMarch2020
- 3 . Master Solicitation May 2020

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

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- 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 | | VEGETABLE, CANNED | | | |
| 20 | | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | | | |
| 30 | | OFFSHORE: ARECIBO PR | | | |
| 40 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00616 | CS 912.000 |
| 50 | | OFFSHORE: BAYAMON PR | | | |
| 60 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00956 | CS 912.000 |
| 70 | | OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR | | | |

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| 80 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00725 | 912.000 | CS |
| 90 OFFSHORE: CANOVANAS PR | | | | | | |
| 100 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00629 | 912.000 | CS |
| 110 OFFSHORE: MAYAGUEZ PR | | | | | | |
| 120 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00708 | 912.000 | CS |
| 130 OFFSHORE: PONCE PR | | | | | | |
| 140 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 09/16/2020-09/30/2020 | 00731 | 912.000 | CS |
| 150 LOT: 318552047 CHARLOTTE AMA VI / CHR... | | | | | | |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 318552047 CHARLOTTE AMA VI / CHRIS ST. CROIX VI / | | | | | | |
| 160 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 11/16/2020-11/30/2020 | 00802 | 547.000 | CS |
| 170 | 100309 | CARROTS CAN-6/10 | 11/16/2020-11/30/2020 | 00820 | 365.000 | CS |
| Total Quantity for CARROTS CAN-6/10 | | | | | 6,384.000 | CS |
| 180 VEGETABLE, FROZEN | | | | | | |
| 190 POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | | | | | | |
| 200 LOT: 183187947 AUBURNDALE FL / MAYAGU... | | | | | | |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 183187947 AUBURNDALE FL / MAYAGUEZ PR / | | | | | | |
| 210 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 11/01/2020-11/15/2020 | 33823 | 532.000 | CS |
| 220 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 11/01/2020-11/15/2020 | 00708 | 788.000 | CS |
| 230 LOT: 314215017 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMO... | | | | | | |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 314215017 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMON PR / | | | | | | |
| 240 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 10/01/2020-10/15/2020 | 33823 | 169.000 | CS |
| 250 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 10/01/2020-10/15/2020 | 33823 | 297.000 | CS |
| 260 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 10/01/2020-10/15/2020 | 00956 | 854.000 | CS |
| 270 LOT: 392899081 GRAND ISLAND NE | | | | | | |

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| 280 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 10/01/2020-10/15/2020 | 68803 | 12.000 | CS |
| 290 | 100355 | POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | 10/01/2020-10/15/2020 | 68803 | 1,308.000 | CS |
| Total Quantity for POTATOES WEDGE FRZ PKG-6/5 LB | | | | | 3,960.000 | CS |
| 300 POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | | | | | | |
| 310 LOT: 416313429 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMO... | | | | | | |
| Tendering text - Item : LOT: 416313429 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMON PR / | | | | | | |
| 320 | 100357 | POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | 03/01/2021-03/15/2021 | 33823 | 649.000 | CS |
| 330 | 100357 | POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | 03/01/2021-03/15/2021 | 00956 | 671.000 | CS |
| 340 LOT: 629681157 PENSACOLA FL / PONCE PR / | | | | | | |
| 350 | 100357 | POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | 02/01/2021-02/15/2021 | 32503 | 639.000 | CS |
| 360 | 100357 | POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | 02/01/2021-02/15/2021 | 00731 | 681.000 | CS |
| Total Quantity for POTATOES OVENS FRY PKG-6/5 LB | | | | | 2,640.000 | CS |
| Total Quantity for Invitation | | | | | 12,984.000 | CS |



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