

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: **12-3J14-21-B-0032**  
Bid invitation number: **2000007390**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION Domestic Commodity Invitation

### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 11/04/2020 10:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 11/17/2020 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 11/17/2020 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Frozen Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000007390

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen 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, December 1, 2020. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2021 thru March 31, 2021.

The Specialist for this solicitation is Suzette Offer ([suzette.offer@usda.gov](mailto:suzette.offer@usda.gov)) and the Contracting Officer is Kyla Stoufer ([kyla.stoufer@usda.gov](mailto:kyla.stoufer@usda.gov)). Any questions or concern regarding this solicitation should be addressed to the specialist first.

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.

#### Set Asides:

Apple Slices Frozen 2.5 lb - SB 100%  
Apple Slices Frozen CTN 30LB - SB 100%  
Blueberries Wild 8/3 lb - SB 100%  
Blueberries Wild and Cultivated CTN 30lb - SB 100%

For a new-to-USDA contractor and existing contractors who are bidding on new products, a probationary period may be implemented in which awards are limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of product in order to be removed from probationary status on future solicitations. For the purposes of this rule, successful delivery is defined as product delivered on-time and in acceptable condition according to the terms and conditions of the contract. Any delivery problems directly attributable to the Government will not be held against the contractor.

\*\* As a result of the Checkloading Phase Out Program, the requirements for check loading Frozen Fruit by USDA inspectors outlined in the attached Commodity Specifications are No Longer applicable. Note-Checkloading may still be performed on all, or part of the deliveries at the request and expense of the contractor; however, it is not required for Frozen Fruit awarded under this solicitation. Also, SCI will conduct periodic verifications of the vendors commercial practices to ensure they meet the contractual requirements.

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

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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 (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 August 2020, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit dated April 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 . CommoditySpecificationfor FrozenFruitApril2020
- 2 . AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement August 2020

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**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 certifies that this offer is compliant with FAR 52.204-25 and will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation.

Offeror certifies that this offer is compliant with FAR 52.204-25 and does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

**Bid invitation Item details**

Item Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
<b>10 FRUIT, FROZEN</b>						
<b>20 APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB</b>						
<b>30 SAN ANTONIO TX</b>						
40	110470	APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	03/16/2021-03/31/2021	78277		CS
					1,320.000	
		<b>Total Quantity for APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB</b>				CS
					1,320.000	
<b>50 APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>						
<b>60 LOT: 132192900 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 132192900 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH BEND IN / VINCENNES IN /						
70	100258	APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	46803		CS
					330.000	
80	100258	APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	46628		CS
					660.000	
90	100258	APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	47591		CS
					330.000	
		<b>Total Quantity for APPLE SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>				CS
					1,320.000	
<b>100 BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB</b>						
<b>110 PHOENIX AZ</b>						
120	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	02/16/2021-02/28/2021	85043		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>130 CEDAR FALLS IA</b>						
140	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	50613		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>150 GRANITE CITY IL</b>						
160	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	62040		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>170 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
180	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	64161		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>190 MCALESTER OK</b>						
200	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	74501		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>210 CLACKAMAS OR</b>						
220	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	97015		CS

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					1,320.000	
<b>230 LOT: 633948930 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /</b>						
240	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	07114	660.000	CS
250	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	08360	660.000	CS
<b>260 LOT: 952031820 DUNCANSVILLE PA / PHIL...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 952031820 DUNCANSVILLE PA / PHILADELPHIA PA / WILKES-BARRE PA /						
270	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	16635	330.000	CS
280	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	19129	330.000	CS
290	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	18702	660.000	CS
Total Quantity for BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB					10,560.000	CS
<b>300 BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>						
<b>310 CLACKAMAS OR</b>						
320	110624	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	97015	2,640.000	CS
<b>330 GARLAND TX</b>						
340	110624	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	75040	1,320.000	CS
<b>350 LOT: 500204347 EAU CLAIRE WI / MADISO...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 500204347 EAU CLAIRE WI / MADISON WI /						
360	110624	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	54703	600.000	CS
370	110624	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/16/2021-01/31/2021	53716	720.000	CS
Total Quantity for BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-30 LB					5,280.000	CS
<b>380 BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>						
<b>390 SOUTH BEND IN</b>						
400	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	03/01/2021-03/15/2021	46628	1,320.000	CS
<b>410 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						

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420	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	64161		CS
					1,320.000	
430	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	64161		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>440 WEST JORDAN UT</b>						
450	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/16/2021-02/28/2021	84088		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>460 RIPLEY WV</b>						
470	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	25271		CS
					1,320.000	
<b>480 LOT: 145558671 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGT...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 145558671 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGTON SC /						
490	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	29715		CS
					785.000	
500	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	29072		CS
					535.000	
<b>510 LOT: 270019568 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGT...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 270019568 FORT MILL SC / LEXINGTON SC /						
520	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	03/01/2021-03/15/2021	29715		CS
					790.000	
530	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	03/01/2021-03/15/2021	29072		CS
					530.000	
<b>540 LOT: 460910222 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 460910222 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH BEND IN /						
550	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/16/2021-02/28/2021	46803		CS
					330.000	
560	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	02/16/2021-02/28/2021	46628		CS
					990.000	
<b>570 LOT: 540310155 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 540310155 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH BEND IN /						
VINCENNES IN /						
580	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	46803		CS
					468.000	
590	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	46628		CS
					405.000	
600	100243	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	47591		CS
					447.000	
<b>Total Quantity for BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>						<b>CS</b>

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					11,880.000	
<b>610</b>		<b>BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB</b>				
<b>620</b>		<b>LOT: 454682750 CYNTHIANA KY / OWENSBO...</b>				
		<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 454682750 CYNTHIANA KY / OWENSBORO KY / SHEPERDSVILLE KY /</b>				
630	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	41031	356.000	CS
640	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	42301	356.000	CS
650	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	02/01/2021-02/15/2021	40165	728.000	CS
<b>660</b>		<b>LOT: 562591173 AUBURNDALE FL / BOCA R..</b>				
		<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 562591173 AUBURNDALE FL / BOCA RATON FL / PENSACOLA FL /</b>				
670	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	33823	360.000	CS
680	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	33487	720.000	CS
690	100242	BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB	01/01/2021-01/15/2021	32503	360.000	CS
		<b>Total Quantity for BLUEBERRY WILD FRZ CTN-8/3 LB</b>			2,880.000	CS
		<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>			33,240.000	CS



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