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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-21-B-0470**
Bid invitation number: **2000007954**
Purchasing Group: **AMS Poultry**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 07/21/2021 11:00:00
Offer Due Date : 08/02/2021 13:00:00

Opening date: 08/02/2021 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

CHICKEN STRIPS, SOLICITATION NO: 2000007954

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Chicken Fillets and Chicken Strips 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 13, 2021. Deliveries are to be made between October 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021.

This Solicitation includes the following changes to the FPPS for Chicken Strips dated March 2017 and the FPPS for Grilled Chicken Fillet dated September 2019:
Inspection and Checkloading

Requirements # For inspection and checkloading at time of shipping, the Contractor shall utilize either USDA Grader or Contractor Checkloading to certify. The Contractor shall notify USDA AMS QAD staff prior to production. The requirements for selection are as follows:

USDA Grader Checkloading Requirements # Inspection for contract compliance shall be made by a USDA representative, in accordance with 7 CFR § 70, FSIS regulations, and this FPPS, at site of processing, both during and after processing and packaging. Inspection records shall be complete and made available to USDA, as requested, to assure contract compliance.

Procedures # The inspection and checkloading shall be performed by the AMS Grader. Procedures to be followed and a schedule of fees for these services may be obtained by contacting the nearest QAD field office or the Director of QAD, LP Program, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, Room 3953-S, STOP 0258, Washington, DC 20250-0258, telephone (202) 690-3147.

The quality, quantity, weight, packaging, packing, and checkloading of the commodity shall be evidenced by certificates issued by the AMS Grader. The contractor shall not ship the commodity unless informed by the AMS Grader that the designated commodity to be shipped meets the requirements of the AMS MSCP-D, Solicitation, and this FPPS.

Contractor Checkloading Requirements # Inspection for final contract compliance shall be made by the Contractor, in accordance with 7 CFR § 70, FSIS regulations, and this FPPS. The quality, quantity, weight, packaging and packing of the commodity shall be evidenced by a Certificate of Conformance that verifies the designated commodity to be shipped meets all the requirements as stated in this FPPS, MSCP-D and Solicitation.

Procedures # The contractor shall perform checkloading examinations at the time of shipment # as described in this FPPS starting at the section labeled Loading and Shipping Frozen Commodity and sections thereafter # and shall issue a corresponding Certificate of Conformance. The Contractor is required to provide an acceptance document to accompany each shipment. Additional details are found in the AMS MSCP-D, Section 4A52.247-3 for Bill of Lading Notations.

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Contractors inspection records and checkloading documentation shall be complete and maintained, including the Certificate of Conformance, and made available to USDA, as requested, to assure Contractor Checkloading compliance. Contractor checkloading activity is subject to review by USDA at the cost of the contractor.

Each shipping container shall be identified with a USDA Contract Compliance stamp with the applicable production date. An AMS Grader, or other authorized personnel under the supervision of the AMS Grader, shall stamp one end of each shipping container online. If there is inadequate space available on either end of the shipping container, the stamp may be applied to a side of the container.

A copy of the Contractor Certificate of Conformance and Bill of Lading or the original USDA Poultry Products Grading Certificate issued at time of checkloading shall accompany each shipment.

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.

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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.

In order to submit offers on this Solicitation, offerors must be deemed eligible by the Contracting Officer. Product purchased under this Solicitation will be produced according to the Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Chicken Fillets, dated March 2019; Supplement 801, dated March 2017; and eligible supplier's approved technical proposal. Please review the changes in Supplement 801 for Chicken Strips dated March 2017 and update your technical proposals to Food Safety and Commodity Specification (FSCS) Division if necessary.

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 April 2017; Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Chicken Strips dated March 2017; Supplement 801 dated March 2017; 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.

The USDA prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (866) 632-9992 (Toll-free Customer Service), (800) 877-8339 (Local or Federal relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay voice users).

See attached documents:

- 1 . Supplement 801 March 2017 Cooked Chicken Strips
- 2 . MSCP August 2020
- 3 . FPPS Chicken Fillet September 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.

- 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

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- 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	CHICKEN, COOKED					
20	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB					
30	DIXON CA					
40	110921	CHICKEN	FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	95620	LB 39,000.000
50	GRANITE CITY IL					
60	110921	CHICKEN	FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	62040	LB 39,000.000
70	NEW ORLEANS LA					
80	110921	CHICKEN	FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	70123	LB 39,000.000

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90 TAUNTON MA					
100	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	02780	LB 39,000.000
110 CREEDMOOR NC					
120	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	27522	LB 39,000.000
130 SALISBURY NC					
140	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	28147	LB 39,000.000
150 LOT: 336057390 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH ...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 336057390 FORT WAYNE IN / SOUTH BEND IN /					
160	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	46803	LB 9,750.000
170	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	46628	LB 29,250.000
180 LOT: 821493287 ROGERS AR / VAN BUREN ...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 821493287 ROGERS AR / VAN BUREN AR /					
190	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	72756	LB 12,990.000
200	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	72956	LB 26,010.000
210 LOT: 851987156 NAMPA ID / CLACKAMAS OR /					
220	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	83687	LB 13,620.000
230	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	97015	LB 25,380.000
240 LOT: 2200001705 EL PASO TX / HOUSTON ...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 2200001705 EL PASO TX / HOUSTON TX / MCALLEN TX /					
250	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	79927	LB 10,020.000
260	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	77095	LB 14,160.000
270	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	78503	LB 14,820.000
280 LOT: 2200001708 AUSTIN TX / DENTON TX...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 2200001708 AUSTIN TX / DENTON TX / LUBBOCK TX /					

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290	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	78744	9,750.000 LB
300	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	76207	11,880.000 LB
310	110921	CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	79404	17,370.000 LB
Total Quantity for CHICKEN FILLETS UNBRD FRZ CTN-30 LB					429,000.000 LB
320 CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB					
330 BIRMINGHAM AL					
340	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	35210	39,000.000 LB
350 CLANTON AL					
360	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	35045	39,000.000 LB
370	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	35045	39,000.000 LB
380 DIXON CA					
390	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	95620	39,000.000 LB
400 DELAWARE CITY DE					
410	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	19706	39,000.000 LB
420 GRANITE CITY IL					
430	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	62040	39,000.000 LB
440 BOSTON MA					
450	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	02125	39,000.000 LB
460 CREEDMOOR NC					
470	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	27522	39,000.000 LB
480 LOT: 12010 TAUNTON MA					
490	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	02780	12,990.000 LB
500	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	02780	26,010.000 LB
510 LOT: 125693 CREEDMOOR NC / SALISBURY ...					

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Tendering text - Item : LOT: 125693 CREEDMOOR NC / SALISBURY NC /						
520	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	27522		LB
					19,500.000	
530	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	28147		LB
					19,500.000	
540 LOT: 156884955 CULPEPER VA / RICHMOND...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 156884955 CULPEPER VA / RICHMOND VA / SUFFOLK VA /						
550	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	22701		LB
					16,530.000	
560	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	23230		LB
					12,720.000	
570	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	23435		LB
					9,750.000	
580 LOT: 464137373 BUFFALO NY / HALFMOON ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 464137373 BUFFALO NY / HALFMOON NY /						
590	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	14207		LB
					19,500.000	
600	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	12065		LB
					19,500.000	
610 LOT: 614259321 BIRMINGHAM AL / CLANTO...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 614259321 BIRMINGHAM AL / CLANTON AL /						
620	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	35210		LB
					9,750.000	
630	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/16/2021-10/31/2021	35045		LB
					29,250.000	
640 LOT: 778943383 HALFMOON NY / WATERTOW...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 778943383 HALFMOON NY / WATERTOWN NY /						
650	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	12065		LB
					23,880.000	
660	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	12065		LB
					120.000	
670	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	13601		LB
					14,760.000	
680	110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2021-10/15/2021	13601		LB
					240.000	
Total Quantity for CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB						546,000.000

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<u>Item Material Description</u>	<u>Required by</u>	<u>ZipCode</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Total Quantity for Invitation			975,000.000

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