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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239  
Washington, DC 20036

**Information**

Description: 12-3J14-21-B-0515  
Bid invitation number: 2000008017  
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

**SOLICITATION**  
**Domestic Commodity Invitation**

**Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 08/12/2021 10:35:00  
Offer Due Date : 08/26/2021 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 08/26/2021 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

**Additional requested information:**

**Tendering text - Header :**

Dehydrated Potatoes, SOLICITATION NO: 2000008017

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Dehydrated Potatoes 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 September 2, 2021. Deliveries are to be made between November 16, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

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.

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 2020 or 2021 for deliveries made under resulting contracts.

For a new-to-USDA contractor and existing contractors who are bidding on new products, a probationary period will 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.

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ The requirements for check loading by USDA Inspectors outlined in the Commodity Specifications for Dehydrated Potatoes are NOT applicable to Purchase Orders issued against this solicitation. ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

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

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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; Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potatoes dated July 2021 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 . AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement
- 2 . Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potato Products July 2021

**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

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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

Offeror represents that IAW 52.204-25, it does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

#Offeror represents that IAW FAR 52.204-25, it will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation.

**Bid invitation Item details**

Item	Material Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
10	VEGETABLE, DRIED			

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
<b>20 POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB</b>						
<b>30 INDIANAPOLIS IN</b>						
40	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	12/16/2021-12/31/2021	46241	2,500.000	CS
<b>50 COMSTOCK PARK MI</b>						
60	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	49321	2,500.000	CS
<b>70 VINELAND NJ</b>						
80	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	08360	5,000.000	CS
<b>90 LATHAM NY</b>						
100	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	12110	2,500.000	CS
<b>110 GROVE CITY OH</b>						
120	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	43123	2,500.000	CS
<b>130 HARRISBURG PA</b>						
140	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	17109	2,500.000	CS
<b>150 JENKINS TOWNSHIP PA</b>						
160	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	18640	2,500.000	CS
<b>170 OFFSHORE: CAROLINA PR</b>						
180	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	00982	2,500.000	CS
<b>190 GREENVILLE SC</b>						
200	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	12/01/2021-12/15/2021	29611	2,500.000	CS
<b>210 LOT: 36258 POCA WV / WESTON WV /</b>						
220	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	25159	834.000	CS
230	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	26452	1,666.000	CS
<b>240 LOT: 234846766 ERIE PA / MCCONNELLSBU...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 234846766 ERIE PA / MCCONNELLSBURG PA / SHARON PA /						
250	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	16501		CS

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		LB			1,250.000	
260	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	17233	625.000	CS
270	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	16146	625.000	CS
<b>280 LOT: 439559962 LIMA OH / LOGAN OH / S...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 439559962 LIMA OH / LOGAN OH / SPRINGFIELD OH /						
290	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	45804	950.000	CS
300	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	43138	925.000	CS
310	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	45503	625.000	CS
<b>320 LOT: 513519244 BATH MI / BATTLE CREEK...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 513519244 BATH MI / BATTLE CREEK MI / FLINT MI /						
330	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	48808	566.000	CS
340	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	49037	684.000	CS
350	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	11/16/2021-11/30/2021	48503	1,250.000	CS
<b>360 LOT: 734697619 INDIANAPOLIS IN / SOUT...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 734697619 INDIANAPOLIS IN / SOUTH BEND IN / LOUISVILLE KY /						
370	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	12/16/2021-12/31/2021	46241	855.000	CS
380	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	12/16/2021-12/31/2021	46601	1,013.000	CS
390	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	12/16/2021-12/31/2021	40228	632.000	CS
Total Quantity for POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB					37,500.000	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					37,500.000	CS



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