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Information

Description: **12-3J14-22-B-0347**
Bid invitation number: **2000008539**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

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Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 05/06/2022 09:30:00
Offer Due Date : 06/01/2022 13:00:00

Opening date: 06/01/2022 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Master

Additional requested information:

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CANNED AND FROZEN SEASONAL VEGETABLES, SOLICITATION NO: 2000008539

The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests offers to sell Canned and Frozen Vegetable Products pursuant to the attached Invitation for Bids (IFB) solicitation document for use in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs. Awards will be announced by Midnight, Wednesday, June 15, 2022. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2023, and September 30, 2023.

There is a probationary period for new-to-AMS contractors and existing contractors bidding on new products in which awards are limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of [new] 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.

Products grown and packed in crop year 2022 onwards will be accepted for this solicitation.

Canned products will be accepted for up to 18 months from date of inspection.

POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN-24/300 is 50% Small Business Set-Aside.

* * Updated Kosher Certification Requirements * *

The following materials must be produced and packed in a Kosher certified facility and must contain one of the Kosher Symbols in Exhibit 8.1 of the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables, April 2021.

100311- CORN WHOLE KERNEL CAN- 24/300

100306- BEANS GREEN CAN- 24/300

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver by the required NLT dates.

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 proposals. 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 instructions or call (202) 720-4517 for assistance.

Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated March 2022; Commodity Specifications for Canned Vegetables dated April 2021; Commodity Specifications for Frozen Vegetables dated March 2022 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 . MSCP-D and Commodity Specifications
- 2 . Vegetable IDIQ Invitation for Bids_2000008539
- 3 . Exhibit 2_ Estimate Orders 2000008539
- 4 . Part B_2000008539

Attributes :

1A) Offeror has reviewed the List of Required Products for GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Reporting located at:

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Permitted values: - YES
 - NO

https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/GS1_GDSN_ListofRequiredProducts.xlsx.

Offeror certifies that complete and accurate product information will be submitted to GS1 GDSN no later 20 days after contract award, if the awarded contract includes item(s) from the List of Required Products for GS1 GDSN reporting.

1C) Offeror certifies that the information submitted in GS1 GDSN will be kept up-to-date (to reflect changes in product attributes, such as changes to the ingredient or allergen statement) until the end of the contract period.

OFFEROR ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF AMENDMENT P-0001

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).

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

Timely performance: Offeror and any subcontractor have completed required performance of any USDA contract prior to this bid opening.

Permitted values: - Have been delivered
 - Have not been delivered
 - Have not been delivered, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer
 - There are no existing contracts/purchase orders

Bid invitation Item details

	Item	Material Description	Quantity	
10	VEGETABLE, CANNED			
	20	100315 PEAS CAN-6/10		CS
			16,416.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS CAN-6/10		CS
			16,416.000	
	30	100314 PEAS CAN-24/300		CS
			320,760.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS CAN-24/300		CS
			320,760.000	
	40	100320 VEG MIX CAN-24/300		CS
			521,640.000	

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		Total Quantity for VEG MIX CAN-24/300		CS
			521,640.000	
50	100313	CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10		CS
			207,024.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN WHOLE KERNEL(LIQ) CAN-6/10		CS
			207,024.000	
60	100311	CORN WHOLE KERNEL CAN-24/300		CS
			621,180.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN WHOLE KERNEL CAN-24/300		CS
			621,180.000	
70	100331	POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN-24/300		CS
			325,890.000	
		Total Quantity for POTATOES WHT SLICES CAN-24/300		CS
			325,890.000	
80	100329	TOMATO DICED CAN-6/10		CS
			28,272.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO DICED CAN-6/10		CS
			28,272.000	
90	100310	CORN CREAM STYLE CAN-24/300		CS
			85,860.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN CREAM STYLE CAN-24/300		CS
			85,860.000	
100	100309	CARROTS CAN-6/10		CS
			49,248.000	
		Total Quantity for CARROTS CAN-6/10		CS
			49,248.000	
110	100308	CARROTS CAN-24/300		CS
			401,760.000	
		Total Quantity for CARROTS CAN-24/300		CS
			401,760.000	
120	100307	BEANS GREEN CAN-6/10		CS
			255,360.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN CAN-6/10		CS
			255,360.000	
130	100328	TOMATO DICED CAN-24/300		CS
			353,160.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO DICED CAN-24/300		CS
			353,160.000	

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140	100306	BEANS GREEN CAN-24/300		CS
			720,900.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN CAN-24/300		CS
			720,900.000	
150	VEGETABLE	FROZEN		
160	111053	CORN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			95,040.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			95,040.000	
170	111052	CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			45,360.000	
		Total Quantity for CARROTS DICED FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			45,360.000	
180	110763	PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			46,200.000	
		Total Quantity for PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB		CS
			46,200.000	
190	111054	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			66,420.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-12/2 LB		CS
			66,420.000	
200	111230	MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-6/5LB		CS
			50,160.000	
		Total Quantity for MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-6/5LB		CS
			50,160.000	
210	100348	CORN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			186,120.000	
		Total Quantity for CORN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			186,120.000	
220	100352	CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			67,320.000	
		Total Quantity for CARROTS FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			67,320.000	
230	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			51,480.000	
		Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			51,480.000	
240	100350	PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS

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Item Material Description	Quantity
Total Quantity for PEAS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	30,360.000 CS
Total Quantity for Invitation	30,360.000 CS
	4,545,930.00 0



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