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Description: 12-3J14-23-B-0234
Bid invitation number: 2000009120
Purchasing Group: AMS-Domestic

### **SOLICITATION**

**Domestic Commodity Invitation** 

## **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 02/09/2023 17:00:00 Offer Due Date : 02/21/2023 09:00:00

Opening date: 02/21/2023 09:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

### Additional requested information:

## Tendering text - Header:

Please review all solicitation documents.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Macaroni and Cheese Products pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the domestic food distribution programs. Bids are due by 9:00 am CT on 02/21/2023. Acceptances will be announced by 5pm CT on 02/24/2023. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

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.

This Acquisition has up to 0% Small Business Set-Aside for Macaroni and Cheese items. All other items are Unrestricted. Bids received for the set-aside quantities from firms who are not small business concerns will not be considered. In the event the Government is unsuccessful in contracting with an eligible small business concerns for the set-aside quantities, the Government may award the quantities to other than small business concerns. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to utilize Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 19.507 Automatic dissolution of a small business set-aside. Any small business concern proposing to furnish a product that it did not itself manufacture must furnish the product of a small business and, by the offer due date/local time, submit the corresponding supplier agreement to, Attention: Contracting Officer. The supplier agreement shall: be in effect between the offeror and the product manufacturer for the period of contract performance, certify compliance with the applicable solicitation requirements, be on the product manufacturer's company letterhead, and be signed by both parties. A prospective contractor will be required to provide written evidence of a proposed subcontractor#s responsibility including Plant Sanitation and Food Defense surveys. The Contracting Officer will directly determine a prospective subcontractor#s responsibility, per FAR 9.104-4. 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.

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.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated March 1, 2022, the Commodity Requirements Document for Macaroni and Cheese dated October 2019, or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Commodity Procurement Program, Proteins, Grains, and Oilseeds Procurement Division; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. S-0239; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517.

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### Certification Questions:

Please note answering Bid Certification Questions in WBSCM is a required component of the offer.

# See attached documents:

- 1 . CRD\_MC11
- 2 . Domestic Bid Certification Questions
- 3 . Master Solicitation

# Attributes :

1. Food Safety Modernization Act

Permitted values: - YES

- NO

- 3. System for Award Management (SAM)
- 3a. SAM Representation and Certification
- 4. Amendments to Solicitation
- 5. Timely Deliveries

Permitted values: - HAVE BEEN DELIVERED

- HAVE NOT BEEN DELIVERED

- NO PREVIOUS CONTRACTS

- 6. Brand Name and Pack Size
- 7. Plant Locations
- 8. Supplier Agreements

Permitted values: - YES

- NO

- N/A

8a. Supplier Agreement-Capability Requirements

Permitted values: - YES

- NO

- NOT APPLICABLE

- 9. Commodity Specifications
- 10. Person Submitting Offer
- 10a. Emergency Point of Contact
- 11. Offeror represents that IAW 52.204-25, it does not use covered telecommunications equipment

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or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

11a. #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 |                                       |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------|-----------------|----------|----------------------|---------|------------|----|--|
|                             |                                       |          | Description |            |                 | <u> </u> | Required by          | ZipCode | Quantity   | _  |  |
|                             | 10 PASTA, MAC & CHEESE                |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
| 20                          | 20 MACARONI AND CHEESE PKG-24/7.25 OZ |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 30 F                                  | PHOENIX  | AZ          |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 40                                    | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 4/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 85009   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 50                                    | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 6/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 85009   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 60 E                                  | BA KERSF | TELD CA     |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 70                                    | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 6/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 93307   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 80 F                                  | FRESNO   | CA          |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 90                                    | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 5/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 93725   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 100                                   | GARDE    | N GROVE (   | CA         |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 110                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 5/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 92841   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 120                                   | IRVINE   | CA          |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 130                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 5/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 92618   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 140 RIVERSIDE CA                      |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 150                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 5/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 92504   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 160 SACRAMENTO CA                     |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 170                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 6/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 95838   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 180 SAN BERNARDINO CA                 |          |             |            |                 |          |                      |         |            |    |  |
|                             | 190                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 4/16/2023-04/30/2023 | 92415   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
|                             | 200                                   | SAVANI   | NAH GA      |            |                 |          |                      |         | ,          |    |  |
|                             | 210                                   | 110960   | MACARONI    | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 C | OZ 0     | 4/16/2023-04/30/2023 | 31404   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |

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| Item           | Material        | Description | 1          |               |    | Required by           | ZipCode | Quantity   | _  |  |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|---------------|----|-----------------------|---------|------------|----|--|
| 220            | NAMPA           | ID          |            |               |    |                       |         |            | _  |  |
| 230            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 06/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 83687   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 240 CHICAGO IL |                 |             |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 250            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 60632   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 260            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 60632   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 270            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 06/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 60632   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 280 GENEVA IL  |                 |             |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 290            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 05/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 60134   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 300            | MONRO           | E LA        |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 310            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | and Cheesi | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 06/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 71203   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 320            | NEW OF          | RLEANS LA   |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 330            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 04/16/2023-04/30/2023 | 70123   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 340            | BALTIM          | ORE MD      |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 350            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 21227   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 360            | KANSAS          | CITY MO     |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 370            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | and Cheesi | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 64161   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 380            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 64161   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 390            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 06/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 64161   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 400            | ALBUQU          | IERQUE NM   | 1          |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 410            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | and Cheesi | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 87109   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 420            | SYRACL          | ISE NY      |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
|                | 110960          |             | AND CHEESI | E PKG-24/7.25 | oz | 06/01/2023-06/15/2023 | 13209   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |
| 440            | 440 PORTLAND OR |             |            |               |    |                       |         |            |    |  |
| 450            | 110960          | MACARONI A  | AND CHEESE | E PKG-24/7.25 | ΟZ | 05/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 97211   | 35,626.500 | LB |  |

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| Item  | Material | Descriptio | n                |                | Required by           | ZipCode | Quantity     | _  |  |
|---|----------|------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------|----|--|
| 460 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR   |          |            |                  |                |                       |         |              |    |  |
| 470   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 04/16/2023-04/30/2023 | 00725   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 480   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 06/16/2023-06/30/2023 | 00725   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 490   | PROVID   | ENCE RI    |                  |                |                       |         | ,            |    |  |
| 500   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 02907   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 510   | GREENV   | ILLE SC    |                  |                |                       |         | ,            |    |  |
| 520   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 29611   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 530   | CORPUS   | CHRISTI    | TX               |                |                       |         | ,            |    |  |
| 540   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 78408   | 71,253.000   | LB |  |
| <i>550</i>  | HOUST    | ON TX      |                  |                |                       |         |              |    |  |
| 560   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 04/16/2023-04/30/2023 | 77029   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 570   | VICTOR   | IA TX      |                  |                |                       |         |              |    |  |
| 580   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 77901   | 35,626.500   | LB |  |
| 590   | LOT: 82  | 11457 DE   | S MOINES         | IA / OMAHA I   | NE /                  |         |              |    |  |
| 600   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 50316   | 28,720.875   | LB |  |
| 610   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 04/01/2023-04/15/2023 | 68127   |              | LB |  |
|   |          |            |                  |                |                       |         | 6,905.625    |    |  |
| 620   | LOT: 17  | 1975324    | MERCED C         | A / STOCKTOI   | V CA /                |         |              |    |  |
| 630   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 95348   | 17,813.250   | LB |  |
| 640   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7 25 O7 | 05/01/2023-05/15/2023 | 95205   | 17,013.230   | LB |  |
| 0.0   |          |            | 7.11.2 011.2.202 |                | 00/01/2020 00/10/2020 | 00200   | 17,813.250   |    |  |
| <b>650</b>  | LOT: 97  | 2140724    | OKLAHOM A        | A CITY OK / T  | UL                    |         |              |    |  |
| Tendering text - Item: LOT: 972140724 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TULSA OK |          |            |                  |                |                       |         |              |    |  |
| 660   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 73179   |              | LB |  |
|   |          |            |                  |                |                       |         | 21,380.250   |    |  |
| 6/0   | 110960   | MACARONI   | AND CHEESE       | PKG-24/7.25 OZ | 05/16/2023-05/31/2023 | 74106   | 14,246.250   | LB |  |
|   |          | Total Qua  | ntity for M      | ACARONI AND    | CHEESE PKG-24/7.25    | ΟZ      | ,            | LB |  |
|   |          |            | •                |                | -                     |         | 1,246,927.50 |    |  |

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Item Material Description

Required by

ZipCode Quantity

LB

**Total Quantity for Invitation** 

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