

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>				1. CONTRACT ID CODE N/A	PAGES OF PAGES 1   3
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. A01		3. EFFECTIVE DATE 03/15/2023	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. N/A	5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)	
6. ISSUED BY: United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Service, Commodity Procurement Program 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 3522-S, STOP 0239 Washington, D.C. 20250-0239		CODE:	7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) N/A		CODE:
8. Name and Address of Contractor (No., Street, County, and Zip Code)			(X) X	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NUMBER 2000009154/12-3J14-23-B-0262	
			X	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 03/02/2023	
				10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NUMBER	
				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE	FACILITY CODE				
<b>11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or electronic communication which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by letter or electronic communication, provided each letter or electronic communication makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.					
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)					
<b>13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.</b>					
(x)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.				
X	MSCP-D Clause 52.212-4(c) Changes, addendum				
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).				
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:				
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)				
E. <b>IMPORTANT:</b> Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return <u>1</u> copies to the issuing office.					
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) <b>The purpose of this amendment is to add the Pre-proposal Conference questions below, dated March 14, 2023:</b>					
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.					
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)			16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		
			Glenn Reid, Contracting Officer		
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED		
_____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)		_____ (Signature of Contracting Officer)			

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## **Q&A Pre-proposal Conference for Dice Chicken**

Q1 - I see a material #, but I do not see a NAICS code - is there one?

A1 - The NAIC code is 311615.

Q2 - Our company has completed one delivery for a solicitation last year. If our company is still in the probationary period, can we still submit an RFP?

A2 - Yes, your company can still submit a response to the RFP.

Q3 - For section 741.1 of the Spec: Are we now going to be required to label the bags packed inside the containers with the same information as the shipping containers?

A3 - No. Diced Chicken is intended for institutional use (ex - Schools, etc.).

Q4 - Is the Domestic Origin Certification (Exhibit 2 from RFP document) going to be required for all contracts received for diced products or is this doc specifically for this solicitation to cover the whole 5 years?

A4 - The domestic origin certification is for this solicitation will cover the entire five years.

Q5 - How many offerors will be awarded per region? If awarded offeror receives entire award per region, awarded offeror submitted constraints that will meet or exceed sales orders needed per delivery period, then nothing further.

A5 - The government will award a single offer per region. The government anticipates awarding 1 to 7 contracts based on the regional areas identified in the schedule, using the best value trade off process among the evaluation factors. We ask, all offerors proposed pricing information for each region that they wish to be considered for an award. Offerors can be awarded contracts for more than one region.

Q6 - If multiple offers are awarded per region. How will the sales order be split up, shared, or allocated amongst those awarded?

A6 - The government will award a single offeror per region.

Q7 - How will Pos be issued? For example, will POs be issued on a rolling monthly basis (2 delivery periods), or on a quarterly basis (6 delivery periods)? Most school menus are set for a year, so a quarterly forecast is a reasonable amount of time for planning from the school/state/FNS. Given the historically uneven spread of sales orders requested by delivery period and the risk to offeror with the minimum of an IDIQ (offeror can only submit a maximum with the constraint and not a minimum requirement), the more lead time, the better to ensure finished product is available for delivery during the requested delivery period.

A7 - POs will be issued on a Bi-Monthly basis to include four (4) delivery periods.

Q8 - On the sample submission, Do you want the sample to also include a shipping box and label, or will just the two 10 pound bags and a shipping cooler will be sufficient?

A8 - Even though it says two 10-pound bags, two 5-pound bags, would be preferred, just in-the-event, that I get a lot of samples. Remember the samples must be received frozen. If they are not frozen, when I receive them, the product sample won't be acceptable.

Send Terry an e-mail when you anticipate on sending your samples, including the tracking number and he will respond back to the vendor when samples are received.

Q9 - I have a question about the past performance on the reference info. So, when we're referencing the past contracts, should we be using the contact person for that contract as the contracting officer or anyone else?

A9 - You can list the contracting officer for that contract, or you can also list any specialist or representative that you're assigned, throughout the process.

Q10 - The AJ\_PY047 appears to not be updating. How frequently will this update for market pricing?

A10 - [https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams\\_3646.pdf](https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_3646.pdf)

Q11 - There is a cost associated with multi-drop deliveries/shipments. How should this additional delivery expense be submitted as a cost?

A11 - Offerors shall propose a Firm-Fixed-Price per pound (the Contractor's Price/LB) in the Web Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) System, inclusive of ALL costs (except the cost of the chicken) to process and deliver the final product within the applicable region.

### **Clarification (Terry Lutz)**

Between pages 37 to 40, where it talks about contract compliance, and check loading.

The specification does allow contractor check loading and so that option would still be available. You could either use the greater certification or the contractor check loading and at the end of the FPPS there is an exhibit for a COC, which would replace a grading certificate. If you have a grader, the load needs a grading certificate. If you're going to do contractor check loading, then you'll need to provide a COC, in lieu of that certificate.