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#### Information

Description: 12-3J14-23-B-0273
Bid invitation number: 2000009167
Purchasing Group: AMS-Livestock

#### **SOLICITATION**

**Domestic Commodity Invitation** 

#### **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 03/09/2023 07:15:00 Offer Due Date : 03/15/2023 13:00:00

Opening date: 03/15/2023 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

FROZEN BEEF PRODUCTS, SOLICITATION NO: 2000009167 (12-3J14-23-0273)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen beef products 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 no later than midnight, March 22, 2023.

Deliveries are to be from May 01, 2023 to May 31, 2023.

Ground Beef 1-pound packages shall be delivered within 30 days from date of pack.

Material(s) 100159 and 110260 are ten percent (10%) Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business Set Aside.

The 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.

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.

The Government reserves the right to reject, in total or in part, manufacturers lots, sub-lots, production dates or the like when non-conforming product is identified.

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 applicable Federal Purchase Program Specification and eligible supplier's approved technical proposal.

Offerors must reference their AMS designated laboratory in their technical proposal.

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NOTE: All fees associated with microbial testing for boneless beef and ground beef items and fat analysis for ground beef products will be paid by AMS. 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 non-responsive. Offerors must be active in WBSCM and have the required bidder roles in order to submit offers under this solicitation. Once connected, follow the on-line 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 AMS Master Solicitation, dated March 2022; Supplement 211 to the AMS Master Solicitation, dated July 2022; or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Room 3524-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20250. Telephone (202)720-4517. FAX: (202)720-2782.

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#### See attached documents:

- 1 . AMS MASTER SOLICITATION MARCH 2022
- 2 . GS1 Certification
- 3 . Supplement 211 Ground Beef Items July 2022

#### 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.

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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

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: - Yes

- No

- N/A

FOR 8(A) VENDORS ONLY: Please specify the material(s) and material number(s) that you are interested in participating on this solicitation.

Please see attached GS1 attribute question.

OFFEROR CERTIFIES THAT A FOOD DEFENSE PLAN EXISTS FOR ALL PLANTS AND SHIPPING POINTS PRIOR TO BID OPENING

#### Bid invitation Item details

Item Material Description Required by ZipCode Quantity

10 BEEF, GROUND

20 BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity					
30 EAST POINT GA										
40	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/16/2023-05/31/2023	30344	40,000.000	LB				
50 NAMPA ID										
60	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/04/2023-05/15/2023	83687	40,000.000	LB				
70 KANSAS CITY MO										
80	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/04/2023-05/15/2023	64161	80,000.000	LB				
90 T	AHLEQU	IAH OK								
100	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/16/2023-05/31/2023	74465	40,000.000	LB				
110 LOT: 288779864 BARRE VT / BRATTLEBORO										
	Tendering text - Item: LOT: 288779864 BARRE VT / BRATTLEBORO VT /									
120	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	05641	30,000.000	LB				
130	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	05301	10,000.000	LB				
140	LOT: 30	0777112 BOSTON MA / SHREWSB	URY							
Tendering text - Item: LOT: 300777112 BOSTON MA / SHREWSBURY										
150	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	02118	30,000.000	LB				
160	100159	BEEF FINE GROUND FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	01545	10,000.000	LB				
		LB								
					280,000.000					
		GROUND LFT OPT FRZ PKG-40/1 LI	В							
	JACKSO									
	110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/16/2023-05/31/2023	39201	40,000.000	LB				
200 LOT: 227339472 COLORADO SPRING CO / G										
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 227339472 COLORADO SPRING CO / GREELEY CO PUEBLO CO /										
210	110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	80915	20,000.000	LB				
220	110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ PKG-40/1 LB	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	80631	10,000.000	LB				

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230 110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	81001		LB				
	PKG-40/1 LB			10,000.000					
240 LOT: 991669799 BATESVILLE MS / JACKSO									
Tendering text - Item: LOT: 991669799 BATESVILLE MS / JACKSON MS /									
250 110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	38606		LB				
	PKG-40/1 LB			30,000.000					
260 110260	BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ	05/01/2023-05/15/2023	39201		LB				
	PKG-40/1 LB			10,000.000					
	Total Quantity for BEEF FINE GROUND LFT OPT FRZ PKG-40/1								
	LB			120,000.000					
	Total Quantity for Invitation				LB				
				400,000.000					

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