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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-24-B-0060**
Bid invitation number: **2000009688**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 11/13/2023 10:00:00
Offer Due Date : 11/21/2023 13:00:00

Opening date: 11/21/2023 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Frozen Vegetables, SOLICITATION NO: (2000009688)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen Vegetables 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, November 29, 2023. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2024 through April 15, 2024.

The specialist for this solicitation is Claudius Price (Claudius.L.Price@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is David C. Jackson(Davidc.Jackson.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.

The Quantity Tolerance section of the specification document, "Contractor will be allowed a tolerance on the final delivery of plus or minus 50 cases of each product, from each shipping point named in the purchase order", is not applicable to this solicitation. USDA will not pay for any cases exceeding the contracted quantity.

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.

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.

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

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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 April 2023; the Commodity Specification 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 . Commodity Spec Frz Veg Dated 3-2022
- 2 . MSCP-D 4-5-2023

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.

- 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

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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).

1A) 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.

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

1B) 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 the amendment(s) to the solicitation. Select N/A if no amendment was issued to the solicitation.

Permitted values: - Yes
 - No
 - N/A

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
10		VEGETABLE, FROZEN				
20		BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB				
30		JACKSONVILLE FL				
40	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	32254		CS
					1,134.000	
50		JESSUP MD				
60	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	20794		CS
					1,134.000	
70		CANTON MI				
80	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	48188		CS
					2,268.000	
90		CREEDMOOR NC				
100	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	27522		CS
					3,402.000	
110		SALISBURY NC				
120	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	28147		CS
					1,134.000	

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130 EATONTOWN NJ						
140	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	07724	1,134.000	CS
150 NEWARK NJ						
160	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	07114	1,134.000	CS
170 IMPERIAL PA						
180	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	15126	1,134.000	CS
190 LOT: 11668 AUBURNDALE FL / BOCA RATON...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 11668 AUBURNDALE FL / BOCA RATON FL /						
200	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	33823	575.000	CS
210	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	33487	559.000	CS
220 LOT: 23712479 BATON ROUGE LA						
230	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	70806	567.000	CS
240	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	70806	567.000	CS
250 LOT: 57083785 FOREST HILL MD / GAITHE..						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 57083785 FOREST HILL MD / GAITHERSBURG MD / PRINCE FREDERICK MD /						
260	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	21050	284.000	CS
270	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	20879	567.000	CS
280	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	20678	283.000	CS
290 LOT: 145980687 JOHNSON CITY TN / CHES...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 145980687 JOHNSON CITY TN / CHESAPEAKE VA / SUFFOLK VA /						
300	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	37601	384.000	CS
310	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	23320	284.000	CS
320	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	23435	466.000	CS

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
330 LOT: 186955215 CULPEPER VA / RICHMOND...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 186955215 CULPEPER VA / RICHMOND VA /						
340	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	22701	490.000	CS
350	110473	BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	23230	644.000	CS
Total Quantity for BROCCOLI FRZ CTN-30 LB					18,144.000	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					18,144.000	CS



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