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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-24-B-0304**
Bid invitation number: **2000009971**
Purchasing Group: **AMS Poultry**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 03/26/2024 17:05:00
Offer Due Date : 04/03/2024 15:00:00

Opening date: 04/03/2024 15:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Multi-Product FOB ORIGIN- SOLICITATION NO: 2000009971, 12-3J14-24-B-0304

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Fruit, Vegetables, Beans, Pasta, Rice Meat, and Poultry pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the National School Lunch Program and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs. Bids are due by 3 pm CT on April 3, 2024. Acceptances will be announced by Midnight CT on April 10, 2024. Deliveries are to be made between May 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024.

* ATTENTION* Commodity Procurement Program will be responsible for booking freight from contractor shipping point to its final destination. Offer prices should NOT reflect transportation to the final or port destination as listed on the solicitation. Offeror is still responsible in including inspection costs into their bid price. * ATTENTION*

*** When entering in bid pricing please select the *Port Location* field in WBSCM***

The contracting officer for this solicitation is David Jackson, DavidC.Jackson@usda.gov. The contract specialist is Ashley Train, Ashley.train@usda.gov and/ or Laura C. Krupka, Laura.Krupka@usda.gov. Do not discuss your bid prices with the specialist or contracting officer before award.

Please note: 52.247-34 F.o.b. Destination (Nov 1991) will not be followed in this solicitation. Instead, 52.247-30 F.o.b. Origin, Contractor's Facility will be followed. Offerors can view the full text here: <https://www.acquisition.gov/far/52.247-30>:

The term "f.o.b. origin, contractor's facility," as used in this clause, means free of expense to the Government delivered on board the indicated type of conveyance of the carrier (or of the Government, if specified) at the designated facility, on the named street or highway, in the city, county, and State from which the shipment will be made.

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

** SET ASIDES:

Eggs 15 dozen:

This solicitation is 50% Total Small Business Set Aside for 100936, EGGS 15 DOZEN. See FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Total Small Business Set Aside. NAICS Code 311999 with size standard of 500 employees and below applies to this solicitation.

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FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB has a 100% Small Business set aside.

GRAPE CONCORD JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ has a 100% Small Business and 10% SDVOSB set aside.

ORANGE JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ has a 100% Small Business and 10% SDVOSB set aside. **

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

A prospective contractor will be required to provide written evidence of a proposed subcontractors responsibility including Plant Sanitation and Food Defense surveys. The Contracting Officer will directly determine a prospective subcontractor#s responsibility, per FAR 9.104-4.

The Contractor shall- Pack and mark the shipment to comply with contract specifications; or In the absence of specifications, prepare the shipment in conformance with carrier requirements to protect the goods and to ensure assessment of the lowest applicable transportation charge; Order specified carrier equipment when requested by the Government; or If not specified, order appropriate carrier equipment not in excess of capacity to accommodate shipment; Deliver the shipment in good order and condition to the carrier, and load, stow, trim, block, and/or brace carload or truckload shipment (when loaded by the Contractor) on or in the carrier#s conveyance as required by carrier rules and regulations; Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods- Occurring before delivery to the carrier; Resulting from improper packing and marking; or Resulting from improper loading, stowing, trimming, blocking, and/or bracing of the shipment, if loaded by the Contractor on or in the carrier#s conveyance.

Complete the Government bill of lading supplied by the ordering agency or, when a government bill of lading is not supplied, prepare a commercial bill of lading or other transportation receipt. The bill of lading shall show: A description of the shipment in terms of the governing freight classification or tariff (or Government rate tender) under which lowest freight rates are applicable; The seals affixed to the conveyance with their serial numbers or other identification; Lengths and capacities of cars or trucks ordered and furnished; Other pertinent information required to effect prompt delivery to the consignee, including name, delivery address, postal address and ZIP code of consignee, routing, etc. Special instructions or annotations requested by the ordering agency for bills of lading, e.g., "This shipment is the property of, and the freight charges paid to the carrier(s) will be reimbursed by, the Government"; and The signature of the carrier#s agent and the date the shipment is received by the carrier; and Distribute the copies of the bill of lading, or other transportation receipts, as directed by the ordering agency.

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.

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, must 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.

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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 to submit offers under this solicitation. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions or call 877-927-2648 for assistance.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated February 2024; Commodity Specifications; or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Specialist or Officer; USDA, AMS, Room 3522-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517. FAX: (202)720-2782.

Per FDA regulations, the following minimum mandatory labeling requirements for all foods, whether sold or donated, must appear on the label: Name of the food, Manufacturer's name and location, Net weight of the product, Ingredients list, and Allergen declaration. These requirements are codified in 21 CFR 101.2, 101.3, 101.4 and 101.5. See the following link for a guidance manual: <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/GuidanceDocumentsRegulatoryInformation/LabelingNutrition/ucm064894.htm>

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 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.

 "The USDA prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (866) 632-9992 (Toll-free Customer Service), (800) 877-8339 (Local or Federal relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay voice users)."

See attached documents:

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- 1 . SUPPLEMENT FOR EGG PRODUCTS JANUARY 2022
- 2 . FPPS FOR WHOLE EGGS JANUARY 2022
- 3 . Commodity Specifications for Bottled Juices
- 4 . Commodity Specifications for Dehydrated Potatoes
- 5 . Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit
- 6 . Commodity Specifications Crackers
- 7 . Commodity Specifications Pasta Products
- 8 . Master Solicitation Commodity Procurement_Feb2024
- 9 . FOB Origin FAQ

Attributes :

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 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?

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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

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

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 than December 31, 2021, 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 certifies that this solicitation is part of the FOB Origin Pilot Program, and that case price bids are NOT inclusive of transportation costs from vendor plant to Port or Final Destination.

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
10		SHELL EGG			
20		EGGS 15 DOZEN			
30		LOT: 105150394 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI ...			
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 105150394 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI / LIHUE HI / WAILUKU HI /			
40	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	96720	CS 288.000
50	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	96819	CS 950.000
60	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	96766	CS 80.000
70	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	96793	CS 182.000
130		LOT: 931718696 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI ...			
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 931718696 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI / LIHUE HI / WAILUKU HI /			
140	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96720	CS 288.000
150	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96819	CS 950.000

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
160	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96766	80.000	CS
170	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96793	182.000	CS
510 LOT: 902554846 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 902554846 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI / LIHUE HI / WAILUKU HI /						
520	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	96720	288.000	CS
530	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	96819	950.000	CS
540	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	96766	80.000	CS
550	100936	EGGS 15 DOZEN	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	96793	182.000	CS
Total Quantity for EGGS 15 DOZEN					4,500.000	CS
180 FRUIT, JUICE						
190 ORANGE JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ						
200 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
210	100897	ORANGE JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00725	2,050.000	CS
Total Quantity for ORANGE JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ					2,050.000	CS
420 GRAPE CONCORD JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ						
430 OFFSHORE: PITI GU						
440	100895	GRAPE CONCORD JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	96915	1,025.000	CS
450 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
460	100895	GRAPE CONCORD JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00725	1,025.000	CS
Total Quantity for GRAPE CONCORD JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ					2,050.000	CS
220 VEGETABLE, JUICE						
230 TOMATO JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ						
240 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
250	100898	TOMATO JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	00725		CS

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
					1,025.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO JUICE PLST BTL-8/64 FL OZ				CS
					1,025.000	
260		PASTA, OTHER				
		270 PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB				
		280 LOT: 629620867 HILO HI / HONOLULU HI ...				
290	110450	PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96720		LB
					7,080.000	
300	110450	PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96819		LB
					23,280.000	
310	110450	PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96766		LB
					1,960.000	
320	110450	PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	96793		LB
					4,480.000	
		Total Quantity for PASTA SPAGHETTI BOX-20/1 LB				LB
					36,800.000	
330		CRACKER PROD, PROC				
		340 CRACKERS UNSALTED TOPS BOX-12/16 OZ				
		350 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR				
360	100403	CRACKERS UNSALTED TOPS BOX-12/16 OZ	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00725		LB
					22,680.000	
370	100403	CRACKERS UNSALTED TOPS BOX-12/16 OZ	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	00725		LB
					22,680.000	
		Total Quantity for CRACKERS UNSALTED TOPS BOX-12/16 OZ				LB
					45,360.000	
380		FRUIT, DRIED				
		390 FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB				
		400 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR				
410	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	00725		CS
					1,456.000	
		Total Quantity for FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB				CS
					1,456.000	
470		VEGETABLE, DRIED				
		480 POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB				
		490 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR				
500	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	00725		CS

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Item Material Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
LB			2,500.000	
Total Quantity for POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB			2,500.000	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation			95,741.000	CS



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