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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: 12-3J14-24-B-0344  
Bid invitation number: 2000010023  
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 04/15/2024 10:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 04/26/2024 15:00:00  
  
Opening date: 04/26/2024 15:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Canned Vegetables, SOLICITATION NO: 2000010023

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Canned 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, May 9, 2024. Deliveries are to be made between July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024.

The specialist for this solicitation is Blanca Ochoa; blanca.ochoa2@usda.gov. The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kelli Dawkins; kelli.dawkins@usda.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 following deviation to the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetable # January 2023 is incorporated into this contract.

\*\*\* 111380 - Hominy 12/300 can size Sodium content - USDA will accept regular sodium variety\*\*\*

\*\*\* 100316 - Sweet Potatoes w/ Syrup Can-24/300 is 100% Small Business Set-Aside\*\*\*

There is a probationary period for new-to-AMS contractors and existing contractors bidding on new products in which awards may be limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of [new] 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.

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.

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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 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 November 7, 2023; Specification for Canned Vegetables dated January 2023; Commodity Specifications for Bulk Products for Further Processing dated June 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 Specifications Canned Vegetables Jan 2023
- 2 . MSCP dated 2-13-2024

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**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 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 has reviewed the List of Required Products for GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Reporting located at:

- Permitted values:
- N/A
  - NO
  - YES

[https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/GS1\\_GDSN\\_ListofRequiredProducts.xlsx](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, CANNED			

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
<b>20 HOMINY CAN#12/300</b>						
<b>30 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
40	111380	HOMINY CAN#12/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	64161	3,060.000	CS
50	111380	HOMINY CAN#12/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	64161	3,060.000	CS
60	111380	HOMINY CAN#12/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	64161	3,060.000	CS
70	111380	HOMINY CAN#12/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	64161	3,060.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for HOMINY CAN#12/300</b>					12,240.000	CS
<b>80 PUMPKIN CAN-24/300</b>						
<b>90 OAK PARK MI</b>						
100	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	48237	1,620.000	CS
<b>110 CINCINNATI OH</b>						
120	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	45204	1,620.000	CS
<b>130 LOT: 815703297 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TUL...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 815703297 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TULSA OK /						
140	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	73179	972.000	CS
150	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	74106	648.000	CS
<b>160 LOT: 886583544 LORAIN OH / YOUNGSTOWN...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 886583544 LORAIN OH / YOUNGSTOWN OH /						
170	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	44053	810.000	CS
180	100319	PUMPKIN CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	44509	810.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for PUMPKIN CAN-24/300</b>					6,480.000	CS
<b>350 SPINACH CAN-24/300</b>						
<b>360 TUCSON AZ</b>						
370	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	85713	1,615.000	CS

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<b>380 FAIRFIELD CA</b>						
390	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	94533	1,615.000	CS
<b>400 LONG BEACH CA</b>						
410	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	90813	1,615.000	CS
<b>420 RIVERSIDE CA</b>						
430	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	92504	1,615.000	CS
<b>440 GENEVA IL</b>						
450	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	60134	1,615.000	CS
<b>460 BALTIMORE MD</b>						
470	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	21227	1,615.000	CS
<b>480 DETROIT MI</b>						
490	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	48238	1,615.000	CS
<b>500 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
510	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	64161	4,845.000	CS
520	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	64161	3,230.000	CS
530	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	64161	4,845.000	CS
540	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	64161	3,230.000	CS
550	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	64161	4,845.000	CS
560	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	64161	4,845.000	CS
<b>570 SIKESTON MO</b>						
580	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	63801	1,615.000	CS
<b>590 BRENTWOOD NY</b>						
600	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	11717	1,615.000	CS
610	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	11717		CS

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					1,615.000		
620	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	11717		CS	
					1,615.000		
630	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	11717		CS	
					1,615.000		
<b>640 CINCINNATI OH</b>							
650	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	45204		CS	
					1,615.000		
<b>660 LOT: 118369519 RICHMOND VA / VERONA VA /</b>							
670	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	23220		CS	
					808.000		
680	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	24482		CS	
					807.000		
<b>690 LOT: 261853249 CLARE MI / COMSTOCK PA...</b>							
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 261853249 CLARE MI / COMSTOCK PARK MI / DETROIT MI /					
700	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	48617		CS	
					808.000		
710	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	49321		CS	
					340.000		
720	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	48238		CS	
					467.000		
<b>730 LOT: 906940591 CLARE MI / FLINT MI /</b>							
740	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	48617		CS	
					808.000		
750	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	48507		CS	
					807.000		
<b>Total Quantity for SPINACH CAN-24/300</b>						CS	
					51,680.000		
<b>760 SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300</b>							
<b>770 TUCSON AZ</b>							
780	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	85713		CS	
					1,530.000		
<b>790 DENVER CO</b>							
800	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	80239		CS	
					1,530.000		
<b>810 WASHINGTON DC</b>							

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820	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	20017		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>830 EAST POINT GA</b>						
840	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	30344		CS
					1,530.000	
850	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	30344		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>860 CHICAGO IL</b>						
870	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	60632		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>880 BAKER LA</b>						
890	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	70714		CS
					3,060.000	
900	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	70714		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>910 DELHI LA</b>						
920	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	71232		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>930 NEW ORLEANS LA</b>						
940	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	70126		CS
					3,060.000	
950	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	70126		CS
					3,060.000	
<b>960 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
970	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	64161		CS
					6,120.000	
980	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	64161		CS
					6,120.000	
990	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	64161		CS
					7,650.000	
1000	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	64161		CS
					6,120.000	
1010	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	64161		CS
					7,650.000	
1020	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	64161		CS
					3,060.000	
<b>1030 SPRINGFIELD MO</b>						
1040	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	65803		CS

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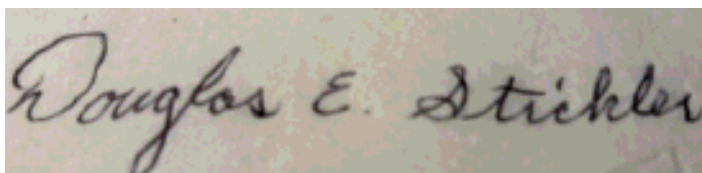
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					1,530.000	
<b>1050 BRENTWOOD NY</b>						
1060	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	11717		CS
					1,530.000	
1070	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/16/2024-07/31/2024	11717		CS
					1,530.000	
1080	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	11717		CS
					1,530.000	
1090	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/16/2024-08/31/2024	11717		CS
					1,530.000	
1100	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	11717		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>1110 LAREDO TX</b>						
1120	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	07/01/2024-07/15/2024	78040		CS
					1,530.000	
1130	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	78040		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>1140 PHARR TX</b>						
1150	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	78577		CS
					1,530.000	
<b>1160 WEST MILWAUKEE WI</b>						
1170	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	53219		CS
					3,060.000	
<b>1180 LOT: 34080463 DELMONT PA / ERIE PA / ...</b>						
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 34080463 DELMONT PA / ERIE PA / GREENSBURG PA /				
1190	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	15626		CS
					241.000	
1200	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	16501		CS
					403.000	
1210	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	15601		CS
					886.000	
<b>1220 LOT: 78619261 PHOENIX AZ / TUCSON AZ /</b>						
1230	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	85009		CS
					765.000	
1240	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	85713		CS
					765.000	



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<b>1250 LOT: 227581689 PLANO TX / SAN ANTONIO...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 227581689 PLANO TX / SAN ANTONIO TX /						
1260	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	75075	1,148.000	CS
1270	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/01/2024-09/15/2024	78227	382.000	CS
<b>1280 LOT: 301611133 HOUSTON TX / VICTORIA ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 301611133 HOUSTON TX / VICTORIA TX /						
1290	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	77029	382.000	CS
1300	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	08/01/2024-08/15/2024	77901	1,148.000	CS
<b>1310 LOT: 453332898 DETROIT MI / OSSINEKE ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 453332898 DETROIT MI / OSSINEKE MI /						
1320	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	48238	765.000	CS
1330	100316	SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300	09/16/2024-09/30/2024	49766	765.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for SWEET POTATOES W/ SYRUP CAN-24/300</b>					<b>82,620.000</b>	<b>CS</b>
<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>					<b>153,020.000</b>	<b>CS</b>



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