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Information

Description: 12-3J14-24-B-0402
Bid invitation number: 2000010084
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

SOLICITATION Master/Shortfall Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 05/01/2024 15:25:00
Offer Due Date : 05/14/2024 13:00:00

Opening date: 05/14/2024 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Master

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Seasonal Canned and Frozen Fruit (IFB 2, IDIQ) USDA Solicitation No: 2000010084

The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned and frozen fruit pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the National School Lunch Program and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs.

IMPORTANT DATES

Bids are due on the #Offer Due Date,# which is also referred to as the #Opening Date.# Late bids will not be considered.

Acceptances will be announced by Friday, May 31, 2024. Successful vendors will be notified via WBSCM.

Unsuccessful vendors will not be notified directly. A GovDelivery notice with the award announcement information will be sent on or around the award date.

Deliveries are to be made between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025.

POINT OF CONTACT

The specialist for this purchase is Nicholas Cavazos (nicholas.cavazos@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this purchase is Samantha Klagenberg (samantha.klagenberg@usda.gov). Please contact the specialist first with questions about the requirements. Do not discuss your bid prices with the specialist or contracting officer before award.

Fresh fruit used for this purchase must be from the 2024 crop year.

Reminder of Certain Requirements

A Bidder should:

- 1) Be in active status in SAM.gov
- 2) Be active in WBSCM with the required bidder roles
- 3) Be a qualified bidder with the Agricultural Marketing Service
- 4) List at least one compliant shipping point AND plant with their bid in WBSCM

The incorporated terms of any subsequent contract and obligations for both the awardee and Government can be found in:

- 1) The tendering text of this solicitation
- 2) The AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement # Domestic Programs, often referred to as the #MSCP# (attached to this solicitation in WBSCM)

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- 3) The applicable Commodity Specifications (attached to this solicitation in WBSCM)
 4) Fruit Invitation for Bids (IFB) IDIQ.docx (attached)

Attachments to the solicitation can also be found here: <https://portal.wbscm.usda.gov/publicprocurement>

SOLICITATION-SPECIFIC DETAILS

All offerors should reference the Fruit Invitation for Bids (IFB) IDIQ 2000010084 document attached to the solicitation for more information.

CONSTRAINTS

If applicable, constraints must be entered in truckloads NOT cases, pounds, etc. Constraints may overlap by product and delivery window. If an offeror has no constraints for a given product, they are not required to enter constraints.

ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS

Questions must be answered accurately, in full, and with the most up-to-date information.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES

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.

Inquiries about the attached Master Solicitation and Commodity Specification, or this solicitation should be directed to the Contract Specialist and/or 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.

 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

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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:

- 1 . CommoditySpecificationforCannedFruitJune2023
- 2 . CommoditySpecificationforFrozenFruitFebruary2022
- 3 . Additional Plants and Shipping Points Template
- 4 . MSCP-D (02-13-2024)
- 5 . PART B - Schedule October 2024 - September 2025
- 6 . Exhibit 2 - Estimates Based on Current Orders '24-'25
- 7 . Fruit Invitation for Bids (IFB) IDIQ 1449

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?

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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 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 acknowledges receipt of the amendment(s) to the solicitation. Select N/A if no amendment was issued to the solicitation.

- Permitted values:
- YES (Comment: Yes)
 - NO (Comment: No)
 - N/A (Comment: N/A)

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
10 FRUIT, CANNED				
20	100216	APRICOTS DICED PEELED EX LT CAN-6/10		CS
			14,592.000	
		Total Quantity for APRICOTS DICED PEELED EX LT CAN-6/10		CS
			14,592.000	
90	100210	APRICOT HALVES CAN-24/300		CS
			244,620.000	
		Total Quantity for APRICOT HALVES CAN-24/300		CS
			244,620.000	
30 FRUIT, FROZEN				
40	100254	STRAWBERRY SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			116,160.000	
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY SLICES FRZ CTN-30 LB		CS
			116,160.000	
50	100256	STRAWBERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ		CS
			1,006,600.00	
			0	
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ		CS
			1,006,600.00	
			0	
60	110859	MIXED BERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.OZ		CS

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
		Total Quantity for MIXED BERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.OZ	408,800.000	CS
			408,800.000	
70	110846	STRAWBERRY WHOLE UNSWT IQF CTN-6/5 LB	30,360.000	CS
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY WHOLE UNSWT IQF CTN-6/5 LB	30,360.000	CS
80	100261	APRICOT FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ		CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOT FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ	63,000.000	CS
			63,000.000	
100	111680	STRAWBERRY WHOLE UNSWT IQF CTN-12/1 LB	136,864.000	CS
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY WHOLE UNSWT IQF CTN-12/1 LB	136,864.000	CS
110	110860	STRAWBERRY SLICES UNSWT IQF CTN-6/5 LB	231,000.000	CS
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY SLICES UNSWT IQF CTN-6/5 LB	231,000.000	CS
		Total Quantity for Invitation	2,251,996.000	CS
			0	

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Contracting Officer
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