

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239  
Washington, DC 20036

### Information

Description: **12-3J14-24-B-0160**  
Bid invitation number: **2000009800**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 01/04/2024 13:20:00  
Offer Due Date : 01/19/2024 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 01/19/2024 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Canned Fruit SOLICITATION NO: 2000009800

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Canned Fruit 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, February 2, 2024. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2024 and June 30, 2024.

The Specialist for this solicitation is Kimberly Mason (kimberly.mason2@usda.gov) and the Contracting Officer is David Jackson (davidc.jackson@usda.gov). Any questions or concern regarding this solicitation should be addressed to the specialist first

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.

Canned products will be accepted for up to 18 months from the date of inspection.

Set Aside:

APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5 (110361)- 75% Small Business Set-Aside; 10% SDVOSB Set-Aside.  
APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10 (110541) - 75% Small Business Set-Aside; 10% SDVOSB Set-Aside  
APPLESLICES CAN 6/10 (100206)-75% Small Business Set-Aside.

Crop Year:

2023 will be acceptable for this solicitation

\* \* 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 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. Any delivery problems directly attributable to the Government will not be held against the contractor.\* \*

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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 2023, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated June 2023; 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 . MCSP NOV 2023
- 2 . Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit June 2023

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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).

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.

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

- Permitted values:
- N/A
  - Yes
  - No

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.

**Bid invitation Item details**

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
10		<b>FRUIT, CANNED</b>			
20		<b>APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10</b>			
30		<b>LINCOLN RI</b>			
40	100206	APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	02852	CS 912.000
50		<b>LOT: 11163 AUBURNDALE FL / PUNTA GORD...</b>			
		<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 11163 AUBURNDALE FL / PUNTA GORDA FL /</b>			

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60	100206	APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	33823	684.000	CS
70	100206	APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	33950	228.000	CS
<b>80 LOT: 497847498 JOHNSON CITY TN / RICH...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 497847498 JOHNSON CITY TN / RICHMOND VA /						
90	100206	APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	37601	228.000	CS
100	100206	APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	23230	684.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for APPLE SLICES CAN-6/10</b>						<b>CS</b>
						<b>2,736.000</b>
<b>110 APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5</b>						
<b>120 FRESNO CA</b>						
130	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	93722	1,400.000	CS
<b>140 ONTARIO CA</b>						
150	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	91761	2,800.000	CS
160	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	91761	1,400.000	CS
<b>170 POMONA CA</b>						
180	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	91767	1,400.000	CS
190	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	91767	1,400.000	CS
200	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	91767	1,400.000	CS
210	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	91767	1,400.000	CS
<b>220 DELAWARE CITY DE</b>						
230	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	19706	1,400.000	CS
<b>240 CEDAR FALLS IA</b>						
250	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	50613	1,400.000	CS
260	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	50613	1,400.000	CS

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<b>270 GAITHERSBURG MD</b>						
280	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	20879	1,400.000	CS
<b>290 HELENA MT</b>						
300	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	59620	1,400.000	CS
<b>310 CREEDMOOR NC</b>						
320	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	27522	1,400.000	CS
330	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	27522	1,400.000	CS
<b>340 SALISBURY NC</b>						
350	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	28147	1,400.000	CS
<b>360 NEWARK NJ</b>						
370	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	07114	1,400.000	CS
<b>380 VINELAND NJ</b>						
390	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	08360	1,400.000	CS
<b>400 LAS VEGAS NV</b>						
410	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	89115	1,400.000	CS
<b>420 BROOKLYN NY</b>						
430	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	11236	2,800.000	CS
<b>440 HUNTINGDON PA</b>						
450	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	16652	2,800.000	CS
<b>460 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR</b>						
470	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	00725	1,400.000	CS
<b>480 CRANSTON RI</b>						
490	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	02920	1,400.000	CS
<b>500 GARLAND TX</b>						
510	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	75040	1,400.000	CS

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<b>520 RIPLEY WV</b>						
530	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	25271		CS
					1,400.000	
<b>540 LOT: 4 BATAVIA NY / BUFFALO NY / WATE..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 4 BATAVIA NY / BUFFALO NY / WATERTOWN NY /						
550	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	14020		CS
					350.000	
560	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	14207		CS
					350.000	
570	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	13601		CS
					692.000	
580	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	13601		CS
					8.000	
<b>590 LOT: 51016535 ALBUQUERQUE NM</b>						
600	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	87102		CS
					1,050.000	
610	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	87108		CS
					350.000	
<b>620 LOT: 139952483 ONTARIO CA / POMONA CA /</b>						
630	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	91761		CS
					700.000	
640	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	91767		CS
					700.000	
<b>650 LOT: 165951376 GRAND ISLAND NE / OMAH..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 165951376 GRAND ISLAND NE / OMAHA NE /						
660	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	68803		CS
					350.000	
670	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	68112		CS
					1,050.000	
<b>680 LOT: 221842564 SOUTH BEND IN / VINCEN..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 221842564 SOUTH BEND IN / VINCENNES IN /						
690	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	46628		CS
					800.000	
700	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	47591		CS
					600.000	
<b>710 LOT: 357392682 HALFMOON NY</b>						
720	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	12065		CS
					1,398.000	

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730	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	12065	2.000	CS
<b>740 LOT: 786118014 JOHNSON CITY TN / CULP...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 786118014 JOHNSON CITY TN / CULPEPER VA /						
750	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	37601	969.000	CS
760	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	22701	431.000	CS
<b>770 LOT: 789302178 CONCORD NH</b>						
780	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	03301	100.000	CS
790	110361	APPLESAUCE CUP-96/4.5	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	03301	1,300.000	CS
Total Quantity for APPLESauce CUP-96/4.5					49,000.000	CS
<b>800 APPLESauce UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10</b>						
<b>810 POMONA CA</b>						
820	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	91767	912.000	CS
<b>830 CEDAR FALLS IA</b>						
840	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	50613	912.000	CS
850	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	50613	912.000	CS
<b>860 SOUTH BEND IN</b>						
870	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	46628	912.000	CS
<b>880 OFFSHORE: ARECIBO PR</b>						
890	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	00616	912.000	CS
900	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00616	912.000	CS
<b>910 OFFSHORE: BAYAMON PR</b>						
920	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00956	912.000	CS
<b>930 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR</b>						
940	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	00725	912.000	CS

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950	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	00725	912.000	CS
<b>960 OFFSHORE: CANOVANAS PR</b>						
970	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	00729	912.000	CS
<b>980 OFFSHORE: PONCE PR</b>						
990	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	00731	912.000	CS
<b>1000 CRANSTON RI</b>						
1010	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	02920	912.000	CS
<b>1020 DALLAS TX</b>						
1030	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	75215	912.000	CS
<b>1040 GARLAND TX</b>						
1050	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	75040	912.000	CS
<b>1060 SAN ANTONIO TX</b>						
1070	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	78217	912.000	CS
<b>1080 RIPLEY WV</b>						
1090	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	25271	1,824.000	CS
<b>1100 LOT: 193934853 HALFMOON NY / WATERTOW...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 193934853 HALFMOON NY / WATERTOWN NY /						
1110	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	12065	454.000	CS
1120	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	12065	2.000	CS
1130	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	13601	3.000	CS
1140	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	13601	453.000	CS
<b>1150 LOT: 289168296 FORT WAYNE IN / VINCEN...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 289168296 FORT WAYNE IN / VINCENNES IN /						
1160	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	46803	684.000	CS
1170	110541	APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	47591		CS



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				228.000	
<b>1180 LOT: 443697713 GRAND ISLAND NE / OMAH...</b>					
<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 443697713 GRAND ISLAND NE / OMAHA NE /</b>					
1190	110541 APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	68803	456.000	CS
1200	110541 APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	68112	456.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for APPLESAUCE UNSWEETENED CAN-6/10</b>				<b>18,240.000</b>	<b>CS</b>
<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>				<b>69,976.000</b>	<b>CS</b>



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