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FROZEN TORTILLAS FOR USE IN DOMESTIC PROGRAMS

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Part 1 COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Section 1.1 COMMODITIES

- (1) The commodities delivered shall meet the requirements as specified in the following Commercial Item Description (CID):
 - a) TORTILLAS, TORTILLA CHIPS, TACO SHELLS, AND TOSTADA SHELLS (CID) A-A-20143B (January 5, 2012) or later.
 - b) The commodity must also meet the following additional requirements:
 - 1. First and primary ingredient must be whole grain. The product must contain at least 50% whole grain content, and the remaining grains must be enriched to ensure the product is whole grain rich¹.
 - 2. Type I Tortillas
 - 3. Style B Wheat
 - 4. Size -8"- inch diameter
 - 5. Shape a Round
 - 6. Enrichment type (i) Enriched
 - 7. Product State (d) Frozen
 - 8. Trans fat content- must indicate 0 g trans fat per serving on the nutrition facts panel
 - 9. Sodium content not more than 250 mg per serving
 - 10. Serving size- Each tortilla must contain at least 42 grams/serving and credit as 1.5 ounce equivalents **grain** in the Child Nutrition program.
 - 11. Moisture content shall not exceed 50.0 percent
 - c) Temperature Requirements: The Frozen Tortillas must be held, tendered, transported, and stored at a temperature of zero (0) degrees Fahrenheit (F.) or lower. Under temporary conditions, such as what may occur at the time of loading or unloading, the product temperature may exceed the (0) degrees F. requirement. However, any lot exceeding a temperature of plus (above) ten (10) degrees F. at the time of loading and receipt at final destination may be rejected by the recipient.

Section 1.2 WARRANTY

The product shall have a shelf life of at least one year from date of manufacturer. Product shall not be manufactured more than 60 days prior to shipping.

Section 1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. The contractor shall perform the product testing and quality analysis to ensure that the product meets the commodity specifications. The results shall

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¹ 7 CFR 210.10(c)(2)(iii)(A)

be evidenced by a Certificate of Analysis (COA) maintained by the contractor. USDA requires the contractor to retain the COA for a minimum of seven years from the date of issuance.

B. Contractors shall notify the Government immediately of lots that fail to meet contract requirements.

Part 2 CONTAINER AND PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS

Section 2.1 GENERAL

This part provides the container specifications and packaging materials requirements used under this contract.

Section 2.2 COMMERCIAL PACKAGING AND LABELING

A. Contractors shall supply commercial brand products only and shall certify at the time of submission of an offer that the commercial product being delivered has a history of successful distribution and use in domestic commercial channels and is sold on the commercial market with an established level of consumer acceptance.

- B. Container and packaging requirements are those used in the current commercial shipping practices and shall comply with:
 - (1) Container, Packaging, and Unitization requirements in the <u>Master Solicitation (MSCP-D)</u>.
 - (2) For materials destined for household programs (e.g., 110741), all individual primary containers' labels must also meet the following criteria:
 - Must include, at a minimum, two (2) colors, in addition to black and white.
 - Must incorporate a graphic (photo or illustration) depicting the product/contents on the principal display panel OR contain a clear viewing window so product/contents are visible.
 - (3) At contractor's option, a statement such as "Not for Retail Sale" may be printed on the principal display panel of the food label.
 - (4) The manufacturer's lot code/lot identification number shall be shown on the commercial bill of lading.
 - (5) Shipping containers shall be marked to show the maximum safe stacking height and labeled "KEEP FROZEN". It is the responsibility of the contractor in cooperation with the shipping container manufacturers to determine the safe stacking height.
 - (6) For identification upon receipt at delivery warehouses, all commercial-labeled product shipping documents shall specify "FOR USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS."

Section 2.3 CONTAINERS AND PACKAGING MATERIALS

A. Please see MSCP-D 4A52.211-71(b) and (c) Regulatory Requirements for Commodities and Packaging (June 2021).

Section 2.4 MATERIAL CODES

| Material | Product Description | Cases Per | Net Weight Per |
|----------|--|-----------|----------------|
| Code | | Truck | Truck |
| 110394 | Tortillas, Whole Grain or Whole Grain-Rich, 8 inch, Frozen 12/24 count | 1,500 | 40,500 lbs. |
| 110741 | Tortillas, Whole Grain, Frozen 24/1 lb. bag | 1,500 | 36,000 lbs. |