

United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service
Commodity Procurement Staff
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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239
Washington, DC 20250-0239

Information

Description: **AG-FDRF-S-16-0040**
Bid invitation number: **2000003863**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

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Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 02/05/2016 10:30:00
Offer Due Date : 02/16/2016 13:00:00

Opening date: 02/16/2016 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000003863

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Dried 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 25, 2016. Deliveries are to be made from April 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.

For FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB (100297): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 20 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; dried date pieces, diced, chopped/extruded; dried natural English walnuts, and dried natural almonds.

For FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB (110161): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 20 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; dried Natural seedless raisins (must be coated with vegetable oil); dried date pieces, diced, chopped/extruded, and dried fig pieces.

CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB (100299) is a one hundred percent Small Business Set-Aside, FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB (110161) is a one hundred percent Small Business Set-Aside, FRUIT AND NUT MIX PKG-24/1 LB (100297) is a one hundred percent Small Business Set-Aside under FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside. NAICS codes 311423 and 311421.

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>

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.

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

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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 April 2015 and Amendment dated April 2015; the Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Dried Fruit dated August 2014 and Amendment dated March 2015; 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 . AMS MASTER SOLICITATION APRIL 2015
- 2 . AMS MASTER SOLICITATION AMENDMENT NO1 APRIL 2015
- 3 . SPECIFICATIONS FOR DRIED FRUIT AUGUST 2014
- 4 . DRIED FRUIT AMENDMENT NO1 March 2015

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).

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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?

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		FRUIT, DRIED			
20		CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB			
30		LOT: 933615419 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX ...			

Tendering text - Item : LOT: 933615419 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX /

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40	100299	CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	78745	616	CS
50	100299	CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	75247	616	CS
60	100299	CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	77066	616	CS
Total Quantity for CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB					1,848	CS
70 CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB						
80 BAKERSFIELD CA						
90	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	93308	1,386	CS
Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB					1,386	CS
100 FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB						
110 KANSAS CITY MO						
120	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	64161	1,456	CS
Total Quantity for FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB					1,456	CS
130 FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB						
140 LOT: 807926610 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 807926610 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX /						
150	110161	FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	78745	485	CS
160	110161	FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	75247	486	CS
170	110161	FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	77066	485	CS
Total Quantity for FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB					1,456	CS
180 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ						
190 FRESNO CA						
200	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	93722	2,964	CS
210 ONTARIO CA						
220	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	91761	2,964	CS
230 SAN DIEGO CA						
240	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	92123	2,964	CS
250 MCALESTER OK						
260	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	74501	2,964	CS
270 LOT: 221950824 EL PASO TX / LUBBOCK TX /						
280	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	79906	1,764	CS
290	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	79404	1,200	CS
300 LOT: 274809301 AUSTIN TX / MCALLEN TX...						

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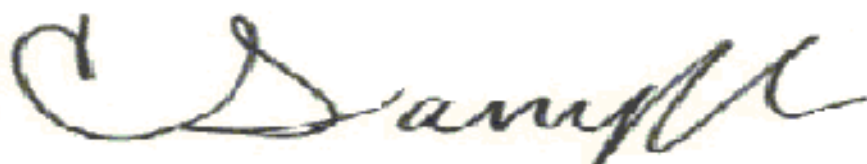
Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 274809301 AUSTIN TX / MCALLEN TX / SAN ANTONIO TX /						
310	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	78745	1,130	CS
320	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	78504	1,274	CS
330	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	78227	560	CS
340 LOT: 574990740 EL PASO TX / LUBBOCK TX /						
350	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	79906	2,000	CS
360	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	79404	964	CS
370 LOT: 840383126 DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX /						
380	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	75247	1,724	CS
390	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2016-04/15/2016	77066	1,240	CS
Total Quantity for RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ					23,712	CS
400 RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ						
410 KANSAS CITY MO						
420	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	06/16/2016-06/30/2016	64161	1,728	CS
430 COAL TOWNSHIP PA						
440	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	17866	1,728	CS
450 DUNCANSVILLE PA						
460	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	16635	1,728	CS
470	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	16635	1,728	CS
480 PHILADELPHIA PA						
490	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	19123	1,728	CS
500 LOT: 158392660 COAL TOWNSHIP PA / DUN...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 158392660 COAL TOWNSHIP PA / DUNCANSVILLE PA / PHILADELPHIA PA /						
510	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	17866	432	CS
520	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	16635	432	CS
530	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2016-05/31/2016	19123	864	CS
540 LOT: 436888969 PHILADELPHIA PA / WILK...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 436888969 PHILADELPHIA PA / WILKES-BARRE PA /						
550	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	19123	783	CS
560	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	18702	945	CS
570 LOT: 810047344 PHILADELPHIA PA / YORK...						
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580	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	19123	783	CS

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590	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/01/2016-05/15/2016	17403	945	CS
		Total Quantity for RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ			13,824	CS
		Total Quantity for Invitation			43,682	CS



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