

**United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service**
Commodity Procurement Staff
1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Room 3522-S, STOP 0239
Washington, DC 20250-0239

Information

Description: **AG-FFRV-S-17-0013**
Bid invitation number: **2000004385**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 10/20/2016 14:00:00
Offer Due Date : 11/03/2016 13:00:00

Opening date: 11/03/2016 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

FROZEN VEGETABLES, SOLICITATION NO: 2000004385

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen 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, November 16, 2016. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2017 thru May 15, 2017 .

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 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 ; AMS Master solicitation Amendment 1 dated June 2015 and Amendment 2 dated May 2016, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated June 2014; Commodity Specification for frozen vegetables amendment 1 dated March 2015; Commodity specification for frozen vegetables amendment 2 dated March 2015; Commodity specification for frozen vegetables amendment 3 dated January 2016; Commodity specification for frozen vegetables amendment 4 dated January 2016; Commodity specification for frozen vegetables amendment 5 dated May 2016 or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Room 3522-South; 1400 Independence

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Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517. FAX: (202)720-2782.

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See attached documents:

- 1 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEGETABLES JUNE 2014
- 2 . AMS Master Solicitation April 2015
- 3 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEG AMENDMENT 2 MARCH 2015
- 4 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEG AMENDMENT 1 MARCH 2015
- 5 . AMS MASTER SOLICITATION AMENDMENT 1 APRIL 2015
- 6 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEG AMENDMENT 3 JAN 2016
- 7 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEG AMENDMENT 4 JAN 2016
- 8 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEG AMENDMENT 5 MAY 2016
- 9 . AMS Master Solicitation Amendment 2 May 2016

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

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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	VEGETABLE, FROZEN						
20	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)						
30	KANSAS CITY MO						
40	110425		SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	64161	1,902	CS
50	110425		SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	02/01/2017-02/15/2017	64161	1,902	CS
60	CREEDMOOR NC						
70	110425		SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	02/16/2017-02/28/2017	27522	1,902	CS
80	NEWARK NJ						
90	110425		SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	07114	1,902	CS

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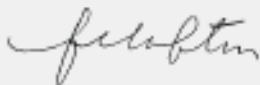
Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
100 VINELAND NJ						
110	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	08360	1,902	CS
120 LAS VEGAS NV						
130	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	89115	1,902	CS
140	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	02/01/2017-02/15/2017	89115	1,902	CS
150	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	03/01/2017-03/15/2017	89115	1,902	CS
160	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	04/01/2017-04/15/2017	89115	1,902	CS
170	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	05/01/2017-05/15/2017	89115	1,902	CS
180 HOUSTON TX						
190	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/16/2017-01/31/2017	77028	1,902	CS
200 LOT: 496530966 CLEVELAND OH / DAYTON ...						
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210	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	44135	952	CS
220	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	45402	475	CS
230	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	45402	475	CS
240 LOT: 747022657 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 747022657 AUSTIN TX / DALLAS TX / HOUSTON TX /						
250	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/16/2017-01/31/2017	78744	476	CS
260	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/16/2017-01/31/2017	75247	770	CS
270	110425	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)	01/16/2017-01/31/2017	77029	656	CS
Total Quantity for SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF CTN-20 LB (1902)					24,726	CS
280 SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB						
290 DELAWARE CITY DE						
300	110391	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	19706	1,404	CS

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310 GRANITE CITY IL						
320	110391	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB	01/16/2017-01/31/2017	62040	1,404	CS
330 SIOUX FALLS SD						
340	110391	SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB	01/01/2017-01/15/2017	57104	1,404	CS
Total Quantity for SPINACH CHOPPED FRZ IQF PKG-12/2 LB					4,212	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					28,938	CS



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