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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: **12-3J14-18-B-0367**  
Bid invitation number: **2000005482**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 07/11/2018 14:30:00  
Offer Due Date : 07/25/2018 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 07/25/2018 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000005482

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, August 7, 2018. Deliveries are to be made between October 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

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.

The requirement for the second fumigation (processed and packaged product) for dried plums stated in the Commodity Specifications for Dried Fruit September 2017 is NOT applicable to this solicitation. This pilot project to remove this requirement is for dried plums only.

FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB, PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG 24/1 LB, FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5LB, are all 100% Small Business.

For FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB (100297): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 25 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; raisins, and either walnuts or almonds, mixture tolerance for this item is plus or minus 3 percent of each DRIED FRUIT ingredient (walnuts must be 25% minimum).

For FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB (110161): Ingredients composed of the following combination in equal portions, 25 percent of each product: Dried cranberries; dried cherries; dried apple; and raisins, mixture tolerance for this item is plus or minus 3 percent of each ingredient.

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

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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 2017; Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated September 2017; Dried Fruit Amendment 1 dated December 2017; 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 . Master Solicitation April 2017
- 2 . Commodity Specifications for Dried Fruit September 2017
- 3 . Dried Fruit Amendment December 2017

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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.

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		CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ			

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<b>30 PHOENIX AZ</b>						
40	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	85043	1,500	CS
<b>50 DIXON CA</b>						
60	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	95620	1,500	CS
<b>70 ONTARIO CA</b>						
80	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	91761	3,000	CS
90	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	91761	3,000	CS
100	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	91761	1,500	CS
110	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	91761	1,500	CS
<b>120 POMONA CA</b>						
130	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	91767	1,500	CS
<b>140 SAN DIEGO CA</b>						
150	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	92123	1,500	CS
<b>160 NAMPA ID</b>						
170	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	83687	3,000	CS
180	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	83687	1,500	CS
<b>190 BERKELEY IL</b>						
200	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	60163	1,500	CS
<b>210 CHICAGO IL</b>						
220	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	60609	1,500	CS
230	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	60609	1,500	CS
240	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	60609	1,500	CS
250	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	60609	1,500	CS
260	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	60609	1,500	CS
<b>270 GRANITE CITY IL</b>						
280	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	62040	1,500	CS
<b>290 AUGUSTA ME</b>						
300	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	04330	1,500	CS
<b>310 NEWPORT MN</b>						
320	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	55055	1,500	CS
<b>330 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
340	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	64161	4,500	CS
350	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	64161	4,500	CS
<b>360 CREEDMOOR NC</b>						
370	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	27522	1,500	CS
<b>380 CONCORD NH</b>						

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390	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	03301	1,500	CS
<b>400 NEWARK NJ</b>						
410	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	07114	1,500	CS
<b>420 SPRINGFIELD OH</b>						
430	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	45502	1,500	CS
<b>440 COAL TOWNSHIP PA</b>						
450	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	17866	1,500	CS
<b>460 DUNCANSVILLE PA</b>						
470	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	16635	1,500	CS
<b>480 SAN ANTONIO TX</b>						
490	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/01/2018-11/15/2018	78207	1,500	CS
<b>500 LOT: 10998 CHICOPEE MA / WORCESTER MA /</b>						
510	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	01013	650	CS
520	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	01610	850	CS
<b>530 LOT: 10999 TAUNTON MA / WILMINGTON MA /</b>						
540	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	02780	900	CS
550	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	01887	600	CS
<b>560 LOT: 16052 MCALESTER OK</b>						
570	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	74501	1,493	CS
580	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	74501	7	CS
<b>590 LOT: 308987727 RENTON WA / SPOKANE WA /</b>						
600	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	98057	1,125	CS
610	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	99216	375	CS
<b>620 LOT: 459409163 AURORA CO / THORTON CO...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 459409163 AURORA CO / THORTON CO / CLEARFIELD UT /						
630	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	80011	375	CS
640	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	80241	375	CS
650	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	84016	750	CS
<b>660 LOT: 607775740 DES MOINES IA / WATERL...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 607775740 DES MOINES IA / WATERLOO IA /						
670	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	50316	750	CS
680	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	50703	750	CS
<b>690 LOT: 624616319 CINCINNATI OH / CLEVEL...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 624616319 CINCINNATI OH / CLEVELAND OH /						
700	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	45241	750	CS

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710	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	44135	750	CS
<b>720 LOT: 839186352 AUSTIN TX / HOUSTON TX...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 839186352 AUSTIN TX / HOUSTON TX / PHARR TX /						
730	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	78744	563	CS
740	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	77029	375	CS
750	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	78577	562	CS
<b>760 LOT: 901315588 CONCORD NH / CRANSTON ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 901315588 CONCORD NH / CRANSTON RI /						
770	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	03301	34	CS
780	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	03301	341	CS
790	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	02920	1,125	CS
<b>800 LOT: 937102900 AURORA CO / CASTLE ROC...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 937102900 AURORA CO / CASTLE ROCK CO / PUEBLO WEST CO /						
810	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	80011	375	CS
820	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	80109	475	CS
830	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	81007	1	CS
840	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	10/16/2018-10/31/2018	81007	649	CS
Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ					67,500	CS
<b>850 CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB</b>						
<b>860 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
870	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	12/01/2018-12/15/2018	64161	1,386	CS
<b>880 LOT: 50310870 COAL TOWNSHIP PA / DUNC...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 50310870 COAL TOWNSHIP PA / DUNCANSVILLE PA /						
890	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	17866	693	CS
900	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	16635	693	CS
<b>910 LOT: 100522127 PHILADELPHIA PA / WILK..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 100522127 PHILADELPHIA PA / WILKES-BARRE PA /						
920	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	19123	693	CS
930	100301	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	18702	693	CS
Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-5/5 LB					4,158	CS
<b>940 FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB</b>						
<b>950 SACRAMENTO CA</b>						
960	110161	FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB	11/16/2018-11/30/2018	95814	1,456	CS

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<b>Total Quantity for FRUIT MIX DRIED PKG-5/5 LB</b>					1,456	CS
<b>970 FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB</b>						
<b>980 SYRACUSE NY</b>						
990	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	13209	1,456	CS
<b>1030 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
1040	100297	FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	64161	1,456	CS
<b>Total Quantity for FRUIT AND NUT MIX DRIED PKG-24/1 LB</b>					2,912	CS
<b>1000 PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB</b>						
<b>1010 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
1020	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	64161	3,000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB</b>					3,000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>					79,026	CS

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Contracting officer

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