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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: **12-3J14-18-B-0388**
Bid invitation number: **2000005505**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 07/18/2018 13:00:00
Offer Due Date : 07/24/2018 13:00:00

Opening date: 07/24/2018 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Frozen Fruit, SOLICITATION NO: 2000005505

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen 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 1, 2018. Deliveries are to be made between September 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019.

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.

For material code 110941 - Red Raspberry Puree packed in 24/1 pound plastic tubs the following changes have been made for labeling.

The plastic tubs and lids are not required to have at least 2 additional colors other than black and/or white or a visual representation of the product if the container is not clear.

However, all other labeling requirements outlined in the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit 2017 are required including a "Nutritional Facts Panel".

Pack Year - Product produced in 2017 and 2018 will be accepted.

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

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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, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit dated April 2018 Amendment 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 . AMSMasterSolicitationforCommodityProcurements
- 2 . CommoditySpecificationsforFrozenFruitJune2017
- 3 . Amendment 1

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		FRUIT, FROZEN			
20		BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB			
30		PHOENIX AZ			
40	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	85009	1,320.000CS
50		SALISBURY NC			
60	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	01/16/2019-01/31/2019	28147	1,320.000CS
70		BRONX NY			
80	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	03/01/2019-03/15/2019	10474	1,320.000CS
90		ELMIRA NY			
100	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	10/01/2018-10/15/2018	14903	1,320.000CS
110		ELMSFORD NY			
120	110623	BLUEBERRY HIGHBUSH FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	02/01/2019-02/15/2019	10523	1,320.000CS

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
130 PORTLAND OR					
140	110623	BLUEBERRY Highbush FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	09/16/2018-09/30/2018	97211	1,320.000CS
150 LOT: 58487235 JONESBORO AR / NORFORK...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 58487235 JONESBORO AR / NORFORK AR / RUSSELLVILLE AR /					
160	110623	BLUEBERRY Highbush FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	72404	600.000 CS
170	110623	BLUEBERRY Highbush FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	72658	400.000 CS
180	110623	BLUEBERRY Highbush FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB	12/16/2018-12/31/2018	72802	320.000 CS
Total Quantity for BLUEBERRY Highbush FRZ CTN-12/2.5 LB					9,240.000CS
190 RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB					
200 LATHAM NY					
210	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	01/01/2019-01/15/2019	12110	1,600.000CS
220 SYRACUSE NY					
230	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	02/16/2019-02/28/2019	13209	1,600.000CS
240 PORTLAND OR					
250	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	01/01/2019-01/15/2019	97211	1,600.000CS
260 LOT: 190766224 MESA AZ / TUCSON AZ /					
270	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	09/01/2018-09/15/2018	85210	800.000 CS
280	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	09/01/2018-09/15/2018	85713	800.000 CS
290 LOT: 496308760 EAU CLAIRE WI / MADISO...					
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 496308760 EAU CLAIRE WI / MADISON WI / MILWAUKEE WI /					
300	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	02/16/2019-02/28/2019	54703	577.000 CS
310	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	02/16/2019-02/28/2019	53716	656.000 CS
320	110941	RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB	02/16/2019-02/28/2019	53207	367.000 CS
Total Quantity for RASPBERRY RED FRZ PUREE CTN-24/1 LB					8,000.000CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					CS 17,240.000

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Contracting officer

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