

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>		1. Contract ID Code N/A	Page of Pages 1   2
2. Amendment/Modification No. A02	3. Effective Date 09/06/2018	4. Requisition/Purchase Reqn. No. N/A	5. Project No. (if applicable) N/A
6. Issued By United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Commodity Procurement Staff 1400 Independence Ave SW STOP 0239 Washington, D.C. 20250-0239		7. Administered By (if other than Item 6) See Block 6	
8. Name and Address of Contractor (No., Street, County, and Zip Code)		(X)	9A. Amendment of Solicitation No. 2000005574
		X	9B. Date (See Item 11) 08/30/2018
			10A. Modification of Contract/Order No.
			10B. Date (See Item 13)
Code	Facility Code		
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.			
12. Accounting and Appropriation Data (if required)			
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACT/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.			
(x)	A. This change order is issued pursuant to: (Specify authority) The changes set forth in item 14 are made in the Contract Order No. in item 10A.		
	B. The above numbered Contract/Order is modified to reflect the administrative changes (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) Set fourth item 14, pursuant to the authority of FAR 43.103 (b)		
	C. This supplemental agreement is entered into pursuant to authority of:		
	D. Other (Specify type of modification and authority)		
<b>E. IMPORTANT:</b> Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return <u>1</u> copies to the issuing office.			
14. Description of Amendment/Modification (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)			

The purpose of this amendment is to answer questions received via email and during the pre-proposal conference. The questions asked and AMS' answers to them are as follow:

1) Question: Please clarify Grade. Has Grade A been removed?

Answer: Grade A quality requirement remains for consumer pack whole birds and spilt breasts. Drumsticks and thighs are Grade A for all factors except US Grade B for exposed flesh. Leg Quarters are us Grade B or better.

2) Question: Is there any way to deviate on the leg quarters from 8/5lb bags to 4/10lb bags?

Answer: There is no deviation allowed on the leg quarters. Must be 8/5 lb.

3) Question: What is the WOG size verification procedure?

Answer: QAD 607: "Select 10 units per sample when certifying weight range for poultry carcasses and parts. Product failing to meet the ±10% weight variation requirement will be retained back to the last acceptable sample. Retained product may be resampled on a stationary lot basis when requested by management."

4) Question: Review label requirement for each item:

Answer: FSIS approved commercial labels on individual packages and shipping containers for all items.

5) Question: Review packaging (tamper evident, give examples of what is acceptable and what is not acceptable):

Answer: Packages and shipping containers that are sealed are barriers to entry which meets the “one or more indicators” requirement.

6) Question: Tray size requirement on boneless skinless thigh (code 111002):

Answer: No specific tray size requirement...”commercially acceptable tray-pack-style packages, or similarly constructed materials comparable in design and style to commercial tray-pack packages.”

7) Question: Purchase/delivery unit - what is the weight variation permitted for each item (for example, variation of minus 1% is permitted)?

Answer: Whole Chicken (100880) and Thighs (111002) – minus 1% is permitted, Split Breast (110154), Drumsticks (110090), Leg Quarters (110092), and Thighs (110195) – no variation,

8) Question: Marination allowance on any of the items?

Answer: No marination allowance on any of the items.

9) Any new vendor wishing to participate, please contact Andrea Lang [Andrea.Lang@ams.usda.gov](mailto:Andrea.Lang@ams.usda.gov), 202-720-4237.

10) Question: Any deviation to use drumsticks from larger WOG, 8.5 to 9 pounds?

Answer: We must stick with the 3 – 6.5 lb WOG for household recipients to accept the 5 lb bag. For the broilers, you have both small and large bird plants, with this range it allows additional participation.

11) Question: Does plastic film bag have to be sealed and clear film bag?

Answer: Bags must be sealed and tamper evident. If bags are tampered with, you will know about it.

12) Question: How are Whole Bagged Chickens packed?

Answer: 10-12 bagged birds individually bagged.

13) What is production date requirement?

Answer: The commodity shall not be processed or packaged more than 60 days prior to the first day of the delivery period.