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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: 12-3J14-19-B-0615  
Bid invitation number: 2000006404  
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 09/03/2019 14:50:00  
Offer Due Date : 09/10/2019 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 09/10/2019 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

FROZEN VEGETABLES, SOLICITATION NO: 2000006404

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen vegetable 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, September 12, 2019. Deliveries are to be made between October 1, 2019 through December 15, 2019.

The specialist for this solicitation is Cedric Hopkins (Cedric.Hopkins@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is David Jackson( DavidC.Jackson@usda.gov). Please contact the specialist first, with questions regarding the requirements of this solicitation. Do not discuss your bid prices with the specialist or contracting officer before award.

Products produced in 2018 and 2019 will be accepted for this solicitation.

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.

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Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated August 2019; the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated March 2019; 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 . SPECIFICATION FOR FROZEN VEGETABLES MARCH 2019
- 2 . Master Solicitation-August 2019

**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

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(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
<b>10</b>	<b>VEGETABLE, FROZEN</b>			
<b>20</b>	<b>BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>			
<b>30</b>	<b>PHOENIX AZ</b>			
40	100351 BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	85043	CS 1,320.000
<b>50</b>	<b>BOCA RATON FL</b>			
60	100351 BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	33487	CS 1,320.000
70	100351 BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	33487	CS 1,320.000
80	100351 BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	12/01/2019-12/15/2019	33487	CS 1,320.000
<b>90</b>	<b>ALBUQUERQUE NM</b>			
100	100351 BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/16/2019-11/30/2019	87102	CS 1,320.000
<b>110</b>	<b>LOT: 109136122 BARTOW FL / PENSACOLA ...</b>			

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<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 109136122 BARTOW FL / PENSACOLA FL / TAMPA FL /</b>						
120	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	33830		CS
					660.000	
130	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	32503		CS
					330.000	
140	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	33610		CS
					330.000	
<b>150 LOT: 309895942 HOUSTON TX / PHARR TX /</b>						
160	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	12/01/2019-12/15/2019	77029		CS
					660.000	
170	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	12/01/2019-12/15/2019	78577		CS
					660.000	
<b>180 LOT: 576609930 AUBURNDALE FL / BARTOW...</b>						
<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 576609930 AUBURNDALE FL / BARTOW FL /</b>						
190	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	33823		CS
					660.000	
200	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	11/01/2019-11/15/2019	33830		CS
					660.000	
<b>210 LOT: 672239715 LA MIRADA CA / ONTARIO...</b>						
<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 672239715 LA MIRADA CA / ONTARIO CA /</b>						
220	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	90638		CS
					660.000	
230	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	91761		CS
					660.000	
<b>240 LOT: 741327305 BINGHAMTON NY / BRENTW...</b>						
<b>Tendering text - Item : LOT: 741327305 BINGHAMTON NY / BRENTWOOD NY /</b>						
<b>HALFMOON NY /</b>						
250	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	13904		CS
					1.000	
260	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	13904		CS
					329.000	
270	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	11717		CS
					330.000	
280	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	12065		CS
					3.000	
290	100351	BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB	10/01/2019-10/15/2019	12065		CS
					657.000	

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Total Quantity for BEANS GREEN FRZ CTN-30 LB						CS
					13,200.000	
<b>300 MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB</b>						
<b>310 BIRMINGHAM AL</b>						
320	110871	MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB	12/01/2019-12/15/2019	35210	660.000	CS
<b>330 CLANTON AL</b>						
340	110871	MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB	12/01/2019-12/15/2019	35045	660.000	CS
Total Quantity for MIXED VEGETABLES FRZ CTN-30 LB						CS
						1,320.000
Total Quantity for Invitation						CS
						14,520.000



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