

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
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Room 3522-S, STOP 0239  
Washington, DC 20036

#### Information

Description: **12-3J14-21-B-0197-0001**  
Bid invitation number: **2000007597**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 02/19/2021 14:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 02/26/2021 13:00:00

Opening date: 02/26/2021 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

##### Amendment Text :

2/24/2021 - The ship-to location for invitation item 300 is Jacksonville, FL. Bidders should bid to Jacksonville, FL only. Offshore delivery will be contracted by USDA/AMS. ST

##### Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit Products, SOLICITATION NO:2000007597.

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, March 8, 2021. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2021 - June 30, 2021.

The specialist for this solicitation is Shelia Tucker (Shelia.Tucker@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kyla Stoufer (Kyla.Stoufer@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.

Offerors should take into account their processing capacity due to COVID regulation constraints when bidding to ensure they are able to meet the delivery deadlines.

Set asides include:

100293- RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ - 25% Small Business  
110723-CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ 100% Small Business

\*\* For a new-to-USDA contractor and existing contractors who are bidding on new products, a probationary period may be implemented in which awards are limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of product in order to be removed from probationary status on future solicitations. For the purposes of this rule, successful delivery is defined as product delivered on-time and in acceptable condition according to the terms and conditions of the contract. Any delivery problems directly attributable to the Government will not be held against the contractor.\*\*

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.

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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 August 2020; the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated April 2020; the Commodity Specification for Shelled Nuts dated April 2020; 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:**

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- 1 . AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement (MSCP-D) - Aug
- 2 . Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit January 2021
- 3 . Amendment 01 2000007597

**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 represents that IAW 52.204-25, it does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

#Offeror represents that IAW FAR 52.204-25, it will not provide covered telecommunications

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equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation.

Offeror acknowledges receipt of the amendment(s) to the solicitation. Select N/A if no amendment was issued to the solicitation.

Permitted values:      - N/A (Comment: N/A)  
                               - NO (Comment: No)  
                               - YES (Comment: Yes)

**Bid invitation Item details**

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Material Description</b>	<b>Required by</b>	<b>ZipCode</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>FRUIT, DRIED</b>					
<b>20</b>	<b>CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ</b>					
<b>30</b>	<b>DIXON CA</b>					
40	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	95620		CS
					4,500.000	
50	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2021-05/15/2021	95620		CS
					4,500.000	
60	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2021-06/15/2021	95620		CS
					1,500.000	
70	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2021-06/30/2021	95620		CS
					3,000.000	
<b>80</b>	<b>FRESNO CA</b>					
90	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	93722		CS
					1,500.000	
<b>100</b>	<b>ONTARIO CA</b>					
110	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	91761		CS
					3,000.000	
120	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/16/2021-04/30/2021	91761		CS
					4,500.000	
130	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2021-05/15/2021	91761		CS
					3,000.000	
140	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/16/2021-05/31/2021	91761		CS
					3,000.000	
150	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2021-06/30/2021	91761		CS
					3,000.000	
<b>160</b>	<b>POMONA CA</b>					
170	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	91767		CS
					1,500.000	
<b>180</b>	<b>SACRAMENTO CA</b>					

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190	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	95814	1,500.000	CS
<b>200 TAMPA FL</b>						
210	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	33610	1,500.000	CS
<b>220 KENNESAW GA</b>						
230	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	30152	1,500.000	CS
<b>240 CEDAR FALLS IA</b>						
250	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	50613	1,500.000	CS
<b>260 HOUSTON TX</b>						
270	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/16/2021-04/30/2021	77028	1,500.000	CS
<b>280 LOT: 318869199 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMO...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 318869199 AUBURNDALE FL / BAYAMON PR /The ship-to location for invitation item 300 is Jacksonville, FL. Bidders should bid to Jacksonville, FL only. Offshore delivery will be contracted by USDA/AMS. ST						
290	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	33823	807.000	CS
300	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	00956	693.000	CS
<b>Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ</b>					<b>42,000.000</b>	<b>CS</b>
<b>310 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ</b>						
<b>320 DIXON CA</b>						
330	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	95620	5,928.000	CS
340	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2021-05/15/2021	95620	5,928.000	CS
350	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/01/2021-06/15/2021	95620	2,964.000	CS
<b>360 ONTARIO CA</b>						
370	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	91761	5,928.000	CS
380	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2021-04/30/2021	91761	2,964.000	CS

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390	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2021-05/15/2021	91761		CS
					2,964.000	
400	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2021-05/31/2021	91761		CS
					2,964.000	
410	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/01/2021-06/15/2021	91761		CS
					2,964.000	
<b>420 POMONA CA</b>						
430	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/01/2021-06/15/2021	91767		CS
					5,928.000	
440	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/16/2021-06/30/2021	91767		CS
					2,964.000	
<b>450 SACRAMENTO CA</b>						
460	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/16/2021-06/30/2021	95814		CS
					2,964.000	
<b>470 CEDAR FALLS IA</b>						
480	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	50613		CS
					2,964.000	
<b>490 HOUSTON TX</b>						
500	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	77028		CS
					2,964.000	
<b>510 LOT: 41824979 ALGONA WA / SPOKANE VAL..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 41824979 ALGONA WA / SPOKANE VALLEY WA /						
520	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	98001		CS
					1,482.000	
530	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	99216		CS
					1,482.000	
<b>540 LOT: 55393570 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /</b>						
550	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	07114		CS
					1,482.000	
560	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	08360		CS
					1,482.000	
<b>570 LOT: 949679462 SAN ANTONIO TX</b>						
580	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	78249		CS
					1,482.000	
590	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2021-04/15/2021	78250		CS
					1,482.000	
<b>Total Quantity for RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ</b>					<b>59,280.000</b>	<b>CS</b>

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
		Total Quantity for Invitation			101,280.000	CS

**Amendment Details**

Amendment : 12-3J14-21-B-0197-0001 Date : 02/24/2021

Action	Item	Material	Description	Type	
		Field	Old Value	New Value	UOM

See comments in the amendment header text for specific details.



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