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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: 12-3J14-22-B-0151
Bid invitation number: 2000008285
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

SOLICITATION Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 01/13/2022 11:25:00
Offer Due Date : 01/28/2022 13:00:00

Opening date: 01/28/2022 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit Products. SOLICITATION NO:2000008285.

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, February 14, 2022. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022.

The specialist for this solicitation is Shelia Tucker, Shelia.Tucker@usda.gov. The contracting officer for this solicitation is LaShawne Brown, LaShawne.Brown@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:

CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	100% - Small Business
PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	100% - Small Business
RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	50% - Small Business
RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	50% - Small Business

Crop years 2021 and 2022 will be acceptable for this solicitation, for both RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ and RAISINS PKG-24/15OZ.

Crop year 2021 will be acceptable for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ.

Crop years 2021 or 2022 will be acceptable for PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB.

** For a new-to-USDA contractor and existing contractors who are bidding on new products, a probationary period will 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/u>

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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.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated September 2021; the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated January 2021; 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.

The USDA prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (866) 632-9992 (Toll-free Customer Service), (800) 877-8339 (Local or Federal relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay voice users).

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See attached documents:

- 1 . CommoditySpecificationforDriedFruitJanuary2021
- 2 . Master Solicitation Sept. 2021

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:
- There are no existing contracts/purchase orders
 - Have not been delivered, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer
 - Have not been delivered
 - Have been delivered

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.

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Permitted values: - N/A
 - No
 - Yes

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

1A) Offeror has reviewed the List of Required Products for GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Reporting located at:

Permitted values: - NO
 - YES

https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/GS1_GDSN_ListofRequiredProducts.xlsx.

1B) Offeror certifies that complete and accurate product information will be submitted to GS1 GDSN no later 20 days after contract award, if the awarded contract includes item(s) from the List of Required Products for GS1 GDSN reporting.

1C) Offeror certifies that the information submitted in GS1 GDSN will be kept up-to-date (to reflect changes in product attributes, such as changes to the ingredient or allergen statement) until the end of the contract period.

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
10		FRUIT, DRIED				
20		CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ				
30		EAST POINT GA				
40	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	30344	1,500.000	CS
50		GENEVA IL				
60	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	60134	1,500.000	CS
70		HARRISBURG PA				
80	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	17104	1,500.000	CS
90	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	17104	1,500.000	CS
100		JENKINS TOWNSHIP PA				
110	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	18640	1,500.000	CS

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120	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	18640	1,500.000	CS
130 NAZARETH PA						
140	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	18064	1,500.000	CS
150 PHILADELPHIA PA						
160	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	19129	1,500.000	CS
170	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	19129	1,500.000	CS
180 PLANO TX						
190	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	75075	1,500.000	CS
200 LOT: 12075063 EAST STROUDSBURG PA / P...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 12075063 EAST STROUDSBURG PA / PHILADELPHIA PA / YORK PA /						
210	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	18360	375.000	CS
220	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	19129	750.000	CS
230	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	17402	375.000	CS
240 LOT: 332756957 DUQUESNE PA / ERIE PA ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 332756957 DUQUESNE PA / ERIE PA / HARRISBURG PA /						
250	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	15110	375.000	CS
260	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	16501	375.000	CS
270	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	17104	750.000	CS
280 LOT: 475466168 DUQUESNE PA / NAZARETH...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 475466168 DUQUESNE PA / NAZARETH PA / PHILADELPHIA PA /						
290	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	15110	375.000	CS
300	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	18064	375.000	CS

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310	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	19129		CS
					750.000	
Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ						CS
					19,500.000	
320 PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB						
330 SEATTLE WA						
340	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98108		CS
					1,500.000	
350 LOT: 215218642 KENT WA / TACOMA WA / ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 215218642 KENT WA / TACOMA WA / VANCOUVER WA /						
360	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032		CS
					484.000	
370	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98409		CS
					685.000	
380	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98661		CS
					331.000	
390 LOT: 477181743 EVERETT WA / KENT WA / ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 477181743 EVERETT WA / KENT WA / SHELTON WA /						
400	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98201		CS
					451.000	
410	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032		CS
					515.000	
420	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98584		CS
					534.000	
430 LOT: 639330831 BOSTON MA / HATFIELD M...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 639330831 BOSTON MA / HATFIELD MA / LOWELL MA /						
440	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	02118		CS
					750.000	
450	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	01038		CS
					375.000	
460	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	01854		CS
					375.000	
470 LOT: 741495299 KENT WA / SPOKANE WA / ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 741495299 KENT WA / SPOKANE WA / YAKIMA WA /						

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480	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032	273.000	CS
490	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	99202	600.000	CS
500	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98902	627.000	CS
Total Quantity for PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB					7,500.000	CS
510 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ						
520 LAFAYETTE LA						
530	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/01/2022-05/15/2022	70505	2,964.000	CS
540 NEW ORLEANS LA						
550	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	70123	2,964.000	CS
560	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	70123	2,964.000	CS
570	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	70123	2,964.000	CS
580 HUNTINGDON PA						
590	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	16652	14,820.000	CS
600 PHILADELPHIA PA						
610	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	19129	5,928.000	CS
620 SEATTLE WA						
630	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98108	2,964.000	CS
640 LOT: 12 POCA WV / WESTON WV /						
650	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	25159	988.000	CS
660	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	26452	1,976.000	CS
670 LOT: 31068528 EVERETT WA / KENT WA / ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 31068528 EVERETT WA / KENT WA / SHELTON WA /						
680	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98201	1,114.000	CS

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690	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032	531.000	CS
700	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98584	1,319.000	CS
710 LOT: 476626021 KENT WA / SEATTLE WA / ...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 476626021 KENT WA / SEATTLE WA / TACOMA WA /						
720	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032	581.000	CS
730	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98108	690.000	CS
740	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98409	1,693.000	CS
750 LOT: 579758614 LAFAYETTE LA / NEW ORL...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 579758614 LAFAYETTE LA / NEW ORLEANS LA /						
760	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	70505	1,482.000	CS
770	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	70123	1,482.000	CS
780 LOT: 763416992 MOSES LAKE WA / SPOKAN...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 763416992 MOSES LAKE WA / SPOKANE WA / YAKIMA WA /						
790	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98837	741.000	CS
800	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	99202	1,481.000	CS
810	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98902	742.000	CS
820 LOT: 860007859 KENT WA / VANCOUVER WA /						
830	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98032	2,145.000	CS
840	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	98661	819.000	CS
850 LOT: 989488391 LAFAYETTE LA / NEW ORL...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 989488391 LAFAYETTE LA / NEW ORLEANS LA /						
860	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	70505	1,482.000	CS
870	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	06/01/2022-06/15/2022	70123		CS

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					1,482.000	
		Total Quantity for RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ				CS
					56,316.000	
880		RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ				
890		LITTLE ROCK AR				
900	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	72209		CS
					1,728.000	
910		BALTIMORE MD				
920	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	21227		CS
					1,728.000	
930		HOUSTON TX				
940	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	77029		CS
					1,728.000	
950	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/16/2022-04/30/2022	77029		CS
					1,728.000	
960	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	77029		CS
					1,728.000	
970		PLANO TX				
980	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	06/16/2022-06/30/2022	75075		CS
					1,728.000	
990		LOT: 548849072 BETHEL HEIGHTS AR / FO...				
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 548849072 BETHEL HEIGHTS AR / FORT SMITH AR / LITTLE ROCK AR /				
1000	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	72764		CS
					400.000	
1010	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	72901		CS
					600.000	
1020	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	72209		CS
					728.000	
1030		LOT: 829490182 BOSTON MA / LOWELL MA /				
1040	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	02118		CS
					1,296.000	
1050	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	04/01/2022-04/15/2022	01854		CS
					432.000	
1060		LOT: 843324136 BOSTON MA / SHREWSBURY...				
		Tendering text - Item : LOT: 843324136 BOSTON MA / SHREWSBURY MA /				
1070	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	02118		CS

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1080	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	05/16/2022-05/31/2022	01545		CS
					432.000	
		Total Quantity for RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ				CS
					15,552.000	
		Total Quantity for Invitation				CS
					98,868.000	



Contracting Officer
Commodity Procurement Division
United States Department of Agriculture