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Washington, DC 20036

Information

Description: 12-3J14-23-B-0004
Bid invitation number: 2000008832
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

SOLICITATION Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 10/26/2022 10:30:00
Offer Due Date : 11/07/2022 13:00:00

Opening date: 11/07/2022 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Dried Fruit Products - SOLICITATION NO: 2000008832

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, November 15, 2022. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023.

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.

Set asides include:

100299,,CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB ,,	100% Small Business Set-aside
110723,,CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ ,,	100% Small Business Set-aside
100290,,PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB,,	100% Small Business Set-aside
100293,,RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ,,	50% Small Business Set-aside
100295,,RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ,,	50% Small Business Set-aside

Crop Year:

For this solicitation, fruit used for drying must be from the 2022 crop year for RAISINS, CHERRIES DRIED, CRANBERRIES DRIED and PLUMS PITTED DRIED.

** 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

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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 March 2022; the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated August 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.

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See attached documents:

1 . CommoditySpecificationforDriedFruitJanuary2021

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2 . AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement 3-1-2022

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

- Permitted values:
- Yes
 - No

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- N/A

Bid invitation Item details

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
920		FRUIT, DRIED			
930		CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB			
940		SHELBY MI			
950	100299	CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	49455	CS 1,848.000
		Total Quantity for CHERRIES DRIED PKG-4/4 LB			CS 1,848.000
960		CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ			
970		VAN BUREN AR			
980	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	72956	CS 1,500.000
990		FRESNO CA			
1000	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	93722	CS 1,500.000
1010		ONTARIO CA			
1020	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	91761	CS 1,500.000
1030	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	91761	CS 1,500.000
1040		POMONA CA			
1050	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	91767	CS 1,500.000
1060		PLANT CITY FL			
1070	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	33563	CS 1,500.000
1080		CHICAGO IL			
1090	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	60609	CS 1,500.000
1100	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	60623	CS 1,500.000
1110		GRANITE CITY IL			
1120	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	62040	CS 1,500.000
1130		HELENA MT			

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1140	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	59620		CS
					1,500.000	
1150 DALLAS TX						
1160	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	75215		CS
					1,500.000	
1170 LOT: 12175 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / TAUNTON...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 12175 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / TAUNTON MA /						
1180	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	06074		CS
					375.000	
1190	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	02780		CS
					375.000	
1200	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	02780		CS
					750.000	
1210 LOT: 12176 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / TAUNTON...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 12176 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / TAUNTON MA /						
1220	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	06074		CS
					375.000	
1230	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	02780		CS
					1,125.000	
1240 LOT: 122110723 PHOENIX AZ / TUCSON AZ /						
1250	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	85043		CS
					1,000.000	
1260	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	85719		CS
					500.000	
1270 LOT: 316171569 FOREST HILL MD / GAITH...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 316171569 FOREST HILL MD / GAITHERSBURG MD / HUNTINGDON PA /						
1280	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	21050		CS
					375.000	
1290	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	20879		CS
					578.000	
1300	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	16652		CS
					547.000	
1310 LOT: 462065632 CLACKAMAS OR						
1320	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	97015		CS
					1,490.000	
1330	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	97015		CS
					10.000	

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1340 LOT: 502500148 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /						
1350	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	07114	750.000	CS
1360	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	08360	750.000	CS
1370 LOT: 537836080 CONCORD NH						
1380	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	03301	1,450.000	CS
1390	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	03301	50.000	CS
1400 LOT: 767344710 CLEVELAND GA / DOUGLAS...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 767344710 CLEVELAND GA / DOUGLAS GA / LEESBURG GA /						
1410	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	30528	730.000	CS
1420	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	31533	390.000	CS
1430	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	31763	380.000	CS
1440 LOT: 2300005698 DENTON TX / HOUSTON TX /						
1450	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	76207	573.000	CS
1460	110723	CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	77095	927.000	CS
Total Quantity for CRANBERRIES DRIED PKG-300/1.16 OZ					30,000.000	CS
1470 PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB						
1480 OFFSHORE: CAGUAS PR						
1490	100290	PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	00725	1,500.000	CS
Total Quantity for PLUMS PITTED DRIED PKG-24/1 LB					1,500.000	CS
1500 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ						
1510 POMONA CA						
1520	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	91767	2,964.000	CS
1530 BOCA RATON FL						
1540	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	33487		CS

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				2,964.000	
1550	GENEVA IL				
1560	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	60134	2,964.000	CS
1570	GRAND RAPIDS MI				
1580	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	49503	2,964.000	CS
1590	EATONTOWN NJ				
1600	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	07724	2,964.000	CS
1610	WAYNE NJ				
1620	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	07470	2,964.000	CS
1630	BROOKLYN NY				
1640	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	11236	2,964.000	CS
1650	SPRINGFIELD OH				
1660	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	45502	2,964.000	CS
1670	HUNTINGDON PA				
1680	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	16652	2,964.000	CS
1690	DALLAS TX				
1700	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	75215	2,964.000	CS
1710	HOUSTON TX				
1720	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	77029	2,964.000	CS
1730	LOT: 174782532 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND NJ /				
1740	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	07114	2,075.000	CS
1750	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	08360	889.000	CS
1760	LOT: 346347737 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / CON...				
	Tendering text - Item : LOT: 346347737 SOUTH WINDSOR CT / CONCORD NH / ESSEX VT /				
1770	100293 RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	06074		CS

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					741.000	
1780	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	03301		CS
					1,225.000	
1790	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	05452		CS
					998.000	
1800 LOT: 348249477 ALGONA WA / SPOKANE VA...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 348249477 ALGONA WA / SPOKANE VALLEY WA /						
1810	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	98001		CS
					2,223.000	
1820	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	99216		CS
					741.000	
1830 LOT: 583109955 BOSTON MA / SHREWSBURY...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 583109955 BOSTON MA / SHREWSBURY MA /						
1840	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	02118		CS
					2,223.000	
1850	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	01545		CS
					741.000	
1860 LOT: 660666841 CLACKAMAS OR						
1870	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	97015		CS
					2,959.000	
1880	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	97015		CS
					5.000	
1890 LOT: 2300000430 DENTON TX / HOUSTON T...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 2300000430 DENTON TX / HOUSTON TX / SAN ANTONIO TX /						
1900	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	76207		CS
					794.000	
1910	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	77095		CS
					1,429.000	
1920	100293	RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	78227		CS
					741.000	
Total Quantity for RAISINS BOX-144/1.33 OZ						CS
					50,388.000	
1930 RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ						
1940 SPRINGFIELD IL						
1950	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	62703		CS
					1,728.000	

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1960 JACKSON MS						
1970	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	39201	1,728.000	CS
1980 BRENTWOOD NY						
1990	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	01/16/2023-01/31/2023	11717	1,728.000	CS
2000	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	11717	1,728.000	CS
2010 FORT WORTH TX						
2020	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	76107	1,728.000	CS
2030 LOT: 489111017 COLORADO SPRING CO / D...						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 489111017 COLORADO SPRING CO / DENVER CO / GREELEY CO /						
2040	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	80915	432.000	CS
2050	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	80239	864.000	CS
2060	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	80631	432.000	CS
2070 NAMPA ID						
2080	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	83687	1,728.000	CS
2090	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	83687	1,728.000	CS
2100	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	83687	1,728.000	CS
2110 KANSAS CITY MO						
2120	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	64161	1,728.000	CS
2130	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	64161	3,456.000	CS
2140	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/16/2023-02/28/2023	64161	1,728.000	CS
2150	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	03/01/2023-03/15/2023	64161	1,728.000	CS
2160	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	03/16/2023-03/31/2023	64161	3,456.000	CS

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2170 SYRACUSE NY						
2180	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	01/01/2023-01/15/2023	13209	1,728.000	CS
2190	100295	RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ	02/01/2023-02/15/2023	13209	1,728.000	CS
Total Quantity for RAISINS PKG-24/15 OZ					31,104.000	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					114,840.000	CS



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 Contracting Officer
 Commodity Procurement Division