## PURCHASE ANNOUNCEMENT

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## USDA ANNOUNCES PURCHASE PROGRAM FOR DEHYDRATED POTATOES:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced plans to purchase Dehydrated Potatoes for surplus removal. Offers will be invited pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurements dated April 2014.

Solicitations will be issued in the near future for deliveries from September 16, 2014 to December 31, 2014. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Solicitations. All offers must be submitted through the Web-Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) website at <a href="http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=WBSCM">http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=WBSCM</a>. Offers submitted by any means other than WBSCM will be considered nonresponsive.

Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of the AMS Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurements dated April 2014, the Qualification Requirements for Prospective Contractors Selling Commodities to USDA dated September 2012, Dehydrated Potatoes Specification dated April 2012, and the entire Solicitation.

To receive electronic (e-mail) notification of the issuance of the solicitation, subscribe to <a href="http://info.ams.usda.gov/CPD/subscribe.html">http://info.ams.usda.gov/CPD/subscribe.html</a> or update at <a href="http://info.ams.usda.gov/CPD/login.php">http://info.ams.usda.gov/CPD/login.php</a> on the AMS Commodity Procurement website.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-4517 or addressing the Contracting Officer; United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Commodity Procurement Staff, 1400 Independence Ave SW, STOP 0256, Washington, DC 20250-0239. An electronic version of this Purchase Announcement can be obtained through the AMS Commodity Procurement website at: www.ams.usda.gov/commoditypurchasing. 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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