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## USDA CANNED AND FROZEN FRUIT PURCHASE PROGRAM ANNOUNCED:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced plans to purchase canned and frozen fruits, in the forms listed below, for the National School Lunch Program and other Federal food and nutrition assistance programs. Commodity Specifications for Canned Fruits and Frozen Fruits will be available at time of solicitation issuance.

The initial solicitation will be issued for deliveries October 1, 2015, through September 30, 2016. Subsequent solicitations may be issued. Offers to sell these products must be received no later than the date specified on the solicitation. Awards will be Firm Fixed Price, Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contracts.

CANNED	
WBSCM MATERIAL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION
100209	APRICOTS HALVES EX LT CAN- 6/10
100210	APRICOT HALVES CAN- 24/300
100211	MIXED FRUIT CAN- 24/300
100212	MIXED FRUIT EX LT CAN- 6/10
100216	APRICOTS DICED PEELED EX LT CAN- 6/10
100218	PEACHES CLING SLICES CAN- 24/300
100219	PEACHES CLING SLICES EX LT CAN- 6/10
100220	PEACHES CLING DICED EX LT CAN- 6/10
100223	PEARS CAN- 24/300
100224	PEARS SLICES EX LT CAN- 6/10
100225	PEARS DICED EX LT CAN- 6/10
100226	PEARS HALVES EX LT CAN- 6/10
110230	APRICOTS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110231	APRICOTS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110233	MIXED FRUIT EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110234	PEACHES CLING DICED EXLTSUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110236	PEACHES CLING SLC EXLT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110237	PEARS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110238	PEARS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10
110239	PEARS SLICES EX LT SUCROSE CAN- 6/10

FROZEN	
WBSCM MATERIAL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION
100238	PEACHES FREESTONE SLICES FRZ CTN- 12/2 LB
100239	PEACHES FREESTONE SLICES FRZ CTN- 20 LB
100241	PEACH FREESTONE DICED FRZ CUP- 96/4.4 OZ
100253	STRAWBERRY FRZ CTN- 30 LB
100254	STRAWBERRY SLICES FRZ CTN- 30 LB
100256	STRAWBERRY FRZ CUP- 96/4.5 OZ
100259	APRICOTS SLICES FRZ BOX- 20 LB
100261	APRICOT FRZ CUP- 96/4.5 OZ

All offers must be submitted electronically 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. Vendors are strongly encouraged to login to the WBSCM system as early as possible to begin their bidding process.

Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of the Qualification Requirements for Prospective Contractors Selling Commodities to USDA; Commodity Specifications for Canned Fruits and Frozen Fruits; and the applicable Solicitation.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-4517 or addressing the Contracting Officer; United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Contracting Branch, 1400 Independence Ave SW, STOP 0239, Washington, DC 20250-0239. An electronic version of this Product Commodity Award can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at: <a href="http://www.ams.usda.gov/commoditypurchasing">http://www.ams.usda.gov/commoditypurchasing</a>.

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