United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Service

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## Information

Description: AG-LORM-S-16-0066

Bid invitation number: 2000004143

Purchasing Group: AMS-Livestock

# SOLICITATION Master/Shortfall Invitation

#### **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 06/29/2016 14:30:00 Offer Due Date : 07/20/2016 13:00:00

Opening date: 07/20/2016 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Master

## Additional requested information:

## Tendering text - Header:

FROZEN GROUND BISON, SOLICITATION NO: 2000004143

The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests proposals to sell frozen ground bison pursuant to the attached Request for Proposals (RFP) document for use in the food and nutrition assistance programs.

Interested offerors shall carefully read applicable documents and instructions located in the RFP document concerning the content, format, and submission of proposals. Awards will be announced by midnight Monday, August 1, 2016.

Questions regarding the solicitation shall be submitted in writing to Chyra.Lewis@ams.usda.gov and James.Sprandel@ams.usda.gov no later than Tuesday, July 5, 2016, by 1:00 PM Central Time.

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) will host a telephone conference call on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 1:00 PM Central Time. During the call, AMS Commodity Procurement staff will explain the program requirements and field any questions industry may have.

To participate in the call, dial 1-888-844-9904. The participant code for the call is 1801764#.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred. Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver.

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.

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### See attached documents:

1.2000004143 - BISON RFP

2. EXHIBIT 2 - PRODUCT DESCRIPTION, PRICE AND CONSTRAINTS

#### Attributes:

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

- N/A

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 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). 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

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 certifies that the offer is made subject to the USDA Specification; this solicitation; the Agriculture

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Acquisition Regulations (AGAR); and the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR).

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).

Bid invitation Item details

**Item Material Description** 

Quantity

Jamesh Sprankel
Contracting Officer

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