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#### Information

Description: 12-3J14-20-B-0410
Bid invitation number: 2000006956
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

## **SOLICITATION**

**Domestic Commodity Invitation** 

#### **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 04/30/2020 15:30:00 Offer Due Date : 05/08/2020 13:00:00

Opening date: 05/08/2020 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

## Tendering text - Header :

Canned Vegetables & Dry Edible Beans, SOLICITATION NO: (2000006956)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Canned Vegetables & Dry Beans pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation This solicitation includes orders authorized under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA), that are part of the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP). CFAP is one of many ways in which USDA has committed to assisting farmers, ranchers, and consumers in response to the COVID-19 national emergency. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, May 14, 2020. Deliveries are to be made between June 1 through June 30, 2020.

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The specialist for this solicitation is Claudius Price (Claudius.L.Price@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kelli Dawkins (kelli.dawkins@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.

The Quantity Tolerance section of the specification document, "Contractor will be allowed a tolerance on the final delivery of plus or minus 50 cases of each product, from each shipping point named in the purchase order", is not applicable to this solicitation. USDA will not pay for any cases exceeding the contracted quantity.

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.

The requirements for checkloading by USDA Inspectors outlined in the Commodity Specifications for Canned Vegetables are NOT applicable to contracts awarded under this solicitation. Note-Checkloading may still be performed by USDA Inspections Staff as outlined in the commodity specifications, at the expense of the contractor, however it is not required for contracts awarded under this Solicitation for Tomato Sauce Can-24/300 (100333).

For offshore destinations (Puerto Rico, Hawaii, etc.), offerors have the option to choose to enter their

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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 October 2019; the Amendment No. 1 Commodity Specification Dry, Edible Beans, Peas, and Lentils dated October 2015; Commodity Specification Dry, Edible Beans, Peas, and Lentils dated June 2014; Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables - March 2020 and 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:

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- 1 . Master Solicitation-Oct 2019
- 2 . CommoditySpecificationforCannedVegetablesMarch2020
- 3. Commodity Specification for Dry Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils,
- 4. Amendment 1 dry edible beans peas and lentils

## 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.

Permitted values: - N/A

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- No

- Yes

Bid in		ion Item										
			Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	_					
10 BEANS, DRY												
20			AT NORTHERN DRY PKG-12/2 LB									
	30		CITY MO									
	40	100380	BEANS GREAT NORTHERN DRY PKG-12/2 LB	06/01/2020-06/15/2020	64161	3,360.000	CS					
	50	100380	BEANS GREAT NORTHERN DRY PKG-12/2 LB	06/16/2020-06/30/2020	64161	3,360.000	CS					
			Total Quantity for BEANS GREAT N	IORTHERN DRY PKG-1	2/2 LB		cs					
						6,720.000						
60	BE	ANS PINT	O DRY PKG-12/2 LB									
	70	KANSAS	CITY MO									
	80	100382	BEANS PINTO DRY PKG-12/2 LB	06/01/2020-06/15/2020	64161		CS					
						3,360.000						
	90	100382	BEANS PINTO DRY PKG-12/2 LB	06/16/2020-06/30/2020	64161	3,360.000	CS					
			Total Quantity for BEANS PINTO D	RY PKG-12/2   B		3,300.000	cs					
						6,720.000						
100	VEC	SETABLE,	CANNED									
11	о н	OMINY C	AN-24/300									
	120	KANSAS	S CITY MO									
	130	100904	HOMINY CAN-24/300	06/01/2020-06/15/2020	64161		cs					
						7,650.000						
	140	100904	HOMINY CAN-24/300	06/16/2020-06/30/2020	64161		CS					
						7,650.000						
			Total Quantity for HOMINY CAN-24	7300		15,300.000	cs					
15	o s	PINACH (	CAN-24/300			13,300.000						
160 KANSAS CITY MO												
		100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	06/01/2020-06/15/2020	64161		cs					
		.00020	0. m./. 6. m. 2 1,000	00,01,1010 00,10,1010	0.101	8,075.000						
	180	100323	SPINACH CAN-24/300	06/16/2020-06/30/2020	64161		cs					
						8,075.000						
Total Quantity for SPINACH CAN-24/300							cs					
						16,150.000						

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	
		SAUCE CAN-24/300			•	_
200	KANSA	S CITY MO				
210	100333	TOMATO SAUCE CAN-24/300	06/01/2020-06/15/2020	64161		cs
					7,650.000	
220	100333	TOMATO SAUCE CAN-24/300	06/16/2020-06/30/2020	64161		cs
					7,650.000	
		Total Quantity for TOMATO SAUCE	CAN-24/300			cs
					15,300.000	
		Total Quantity for Invitation				cs
					60.190.000	

**Contracting Officer** 

**Commodity Procurement Division** 

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