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Washington, DC 20250-0253

Date Issued: April 18, 2007

BEEF FOR REPROCESSING, ANNOUNCEMENT LS-120, Invitation No. 968:

***** THIS INVITATION IS RESTRICTED TO COMPETITION FROM SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE "SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (SDVOSB) PROCUREMENT PROGRAM *****

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers pursuant to ANNOUNCEMENT LS-120, as amended, to sell coarse ground beef for use in the National School Lunch Program and other Federal food and nutrition programs. Purchases will be made on an f.o.b. destination basis to cities indicated below. Destination quantities listed are estimates and subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient needs, market conditions, and program operations.

In order to submit offers on this Invitation, Offerors must be deemed eligible by the Contracting Officer.

Offerors must reference their AMS designated laboratory in their technical proposal.

NOTE: All fees associated with microbial testing for boneless beef and ground beef items and fat analysis for ground beef products will be paid by AMS.

All offers must be in the format prescribed in LS-120 and be submitted via the internet. Offers must be received by **1:30 p.m., CENTRAL TIME, Monday, April 23, 2007**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, **Friday, April 27, 2007**. Shipments must be made between **June 1-15, 2007**.

Offerors must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The internet address is: <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe>? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions or call 202-720-2650 for assistance.

State-inspected plants that are operating under the State-Federal Cooperative Agreement, Section 301 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act, will not be allowed to bid on this program since this product will be crossing State lines.

Inquiries about ANNOUNCEMENT LS-120 or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; Livestock and Seed Program; USDA, AMS, Room 2610-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20250. Telephone 202/720-2650.
FAX: 202/720-9538.

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ANNOUNCEMENT : LS120
INVITATION : 968
COMM GROUP : 25 BEEF, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 10 BEEF, COARSE GROUND, REPROCESS
PACK SIZE : 61 60 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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SHIPPING PERIOD 06/01/07 - 06/15/07

001	CINCINNATI	OH	TRUCK ONLY	168,000
002	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	168,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 336,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 336,000

/s/Duane Williams (04/18/2007)
Duane Williams
Contractor Officer
Commodity Procurement Branch
Livestock and Seed Program

CONTRACTORS ARE ADVISED THAT SHIPPERS ARE BEING TOLD BY WAREHOUSE RECEIVING AGENTS THEY MUST BREAK DOWN PALLETS. THIS IS NOT CORRECT. FNS INSTRUCTION 709-5, SHIPMENT AND RECEIPT OF FOODS SECTION XIII B STATES IT IS THE CONSIGNEES RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNLOADING PALLETS.

A CONSIGNEE MAY REQUEST A DRIVER TO RESTACK OR PERFORM OTHER SERVICES. THIS IS NOT REQUIRED. IT MAY BE PERFORMED AS AN ADDED SERVICE AND THE CONSIGNEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUESTED SERVICE.

An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained via the World Wide Web at:
http://www.ams.usda.gov/lscp/beef/beef_purchaseinfo.htm
The Commodity Procurement home page: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

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