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**Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certification Application (ORCA). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.**

FV-304

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: October 24, 2007

Canned Dried Beans, Announcement FV-304, Invitation 035

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned dried beans as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in Needy Family and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Friday, November 2, 2007**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, November 9, 2007. Deliveries are to be made from December 1, 2007 – December 15, 2007.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Vegetarian Beans	24/#300 can	4,590 cases
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All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

**No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-304, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Dried Beans, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-304, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

**Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk. \***

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV304  
 INVITATION : 035  
 COMM GROUP : 41 BEANS, DRIED, CANNED  
 COMM TYPE : 13 BEANS, VEGETARIAN, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 30 24/#300 CAN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/07 - 12/15/07

001	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	1,530	_____
002	DELHI	LA	TRUCK ONLY	1,530	_____
003	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,530	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 4,590

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 4,590

  
 Felicitas C. Lofton  
 Contracting Officer

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