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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 Certifications 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.

This invitation is for Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business Set-Aside only, see FAR 52.219-27 Notice of Total Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business Set-Aside.

FV-302 Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: May 22, 2008

Canned Vegetables, Announcement FV-302, Invitation 138

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned vegetables as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, June 5, 2008**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, June 20, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from August 16, 2008 through October 15, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Corn, Whole Kernel (Liq)	6/#10 can	10,944 cases

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

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-302; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables dated April 2004, as amended; 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 20250-0239, 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 of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-302, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. 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 : FV302
INVITATION : 138
COMM GROUP : 36 VEGETABLES, CANNED
COMM TYPE : 23 CORN, WHOLE KERNEL (LIQ), CND
PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 08/16/08 - 08/31/08					
001	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
002	CHEEKTOWAGA	NY	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____**
003	MALONE	NY	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____**
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/01/08 - 09/15/08					
004	CALERA	AL	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
005	CLANTON	AL	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
006	BARTOW	FL		912	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/08 - 09/30/08					
007	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
008	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
009	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/08 - 10/15/08					
010	CORINTH	MS	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
011	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
012	DALLAS	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 10,944

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