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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.

FV-302

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: August 28, 2008

Canned Vegetables, Announcement FV-302, Invitation 161

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, Wednesday, September 10, 2008.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight, September 24, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from November 16, 2008 through March 15, 2009.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Sweet Potatoes, Syrup	6/#10 can	14,592 cases
Sweet Potatoes, Mashed	6/#10 can	3,648 cases

Note: Funds are not presently available for contracts awarded for FY 2009. The Government's obligation for contracts issued is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for these contracts and until the Contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

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

Destinations with split shipments that are unspecified on the invitation are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV302
 INVITATION : 161
 COMM GROUP : 36 VEGETABLES, CANNED
 COMM TYPE : 40 SWEET POTATOES, SYRUP, CANNED
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/08 - 11/30/08

001	LARGO	FL	TRUCK ONLY	456	_____
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		456	
002	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
003	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
004	LUBBOCK	TX		366	_____
	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	546	

DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/08 - 12/15/08

005	LAKELAND	FL	TRUCK ONLY	360	_____
	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	228	
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		324	
006	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
007	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
008	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	315	_____
	FAIRBURN	GA	TRUCK ONLY	597	
009	COLUMBUS	OH	TRUCK ONLY	228	_____
	DAYTON	OH		684	

DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/09 - 01/15/09

010	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	252	_____
	LEXINGTON	SC		660	

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DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/09 - 02/15/09

011	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
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DELIVERY PERIOD 02/16/09 - 02/28/09

012	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	483	_____
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	429	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/09 - 03/15/09

013	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
014	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	692	_____
	FAIRBURN	GA	TRUCK ONLY	220	_____
015	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
016	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 14,592

COMM TYPE : 41 SWEET POTATOES, MASHED, CANNED
PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN

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DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/08 - 12/15/08

017	KENNESAW	GA	TRUCK ONLY	912	_____
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DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/09 - 01/15/09

018	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	195	
	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	496	
	FAIRBURN	GA	TRUCK ONLY	221	

DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/09 - 01/31/09

019	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	912	
020	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	670	
	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	242	

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 3,648

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 18,240


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 Contracting Officer

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