PURCHASE ANNOUNCEMENT

United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: August 7, 2012

USDA COOKED TURKEY TACO FILLING PURCHASE PROGRAM ANNOUNCED:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced plans to purchase cooked turkey taco filling (100119) for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs.

A Request for Proposal (Solicitation) will be issued in the near future. The Solicitation will be issued for deliveries **January 1 through March 31, 2013.** All proposals must be submitted electronically through the Web-Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) website at http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=WBSCM
Offers submitted by any means other than WBSCM will be considered nonresponsive.

Offerors are urged to review all documents as they pertain to this program. The Qualification Requirements for Prospective Contractors Selling Commodities to USDA, dated April 2012, is available on the AMS Commodity Procurement website at www.ams.usda.gov/commoditypurchasing

Offerors must read all terms of the applicable Solicitation when it is issued. To receive electronic (e-mail) notification of the issuance of these solicitations, submit the "AMS CPD Electronic Distribution List Request Form" available in the "Forms Store" on the AMS Commodity Procurement website. Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-4476 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS Commodity Procurement Division, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 3932-S, Mail Stop 0256, Washington, DC 20250-0256.

An electronic version of this Purchase Announcement can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at: http://www.ams.usda.gov/commoditypurchasing

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or a part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

To file a complaint of discrimination write to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

- - - - -