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CHICKEN AND CHICKEN PRODUCTS, INVITATION NO. 18, ANNOUNCEMENT
PY-322

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell chicken and chicken products as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Feb. 25. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 29. Deliveries are to be made from Apr. 1 to Apr. 15.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. **Note that some item numbers and the associated quantities for cooked batter/breaded chicken have been set-aside for service-disabled veteran-owned businesses and are indicated by a double asterisk.** Items listed as "KOSHER ONLY" must be produced as a Kosher product. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-322; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specifications for Chicken Parts, Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts, and Batter/Breaded Chicken Breasts, Thighs, and Drumsticks dated May 2007; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs; Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260; 1400 Independence Ave. SW; Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. 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 PY-322, 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 mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Bulk Pack, Small (221690) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The weight range for an individual chicken is 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg), without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required in the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2007. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Bulk Pack, Large (222590) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks or giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The individual chicken weight range must be over 3.75 pounds (over 1.70 kg) per carcass weighed without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required within the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2007. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Chicken Legs, Bulk Parts (224190) - Chilled chicken legs, bulk packed for further processing. Legs must weigh between 5 and 17.50 ounces (141.75 and 496.11 g) each, or be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens which weigh 2.50 to 7 pounds (1.13 to 3.18 kg) per whole carcass, without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required within the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2007. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Cooked (225230) - Frozen cooked batter/breaded cut-up chicken (7 pieces - breasts, thighs, and drumsticks). The cooked chicken parts must be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chicken carcasses, that weigh 3.0 to 3.50 pounds (1.36 to 1.59 kg) before the wings are removed and without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packaged or packed in a minimum of three plastic-film bags or layers, respectively, and packed 30 pounds (13.61 kg) net weight in each fiberboard shipping container, with 1,300 containers per purchase unit totaling 39,000 pounds (17,690 kg).

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY322
INVITATION : 018
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 16 CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK SM
PACK SIZE : 90 2 1/2 - 3 3/4 LB BULK PACK

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/08 - 04/15/08

001	SUMTER	SC	TRUCK ONLY	540,000
002	PINE BLUFF	AR	TRUCK ONLY	288,000*
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				828,000

COMM TYPE : 25 CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK LG
PACK SIZE : 90 OVER 3.75 LB BULK PACK

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/08 - 04/15/08

003	ROME	GA	TRUCK ONLY	72,000
004	BOAZ	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,404,000*
005	FORT SMITH	AR	TRUCK ONLY	360,000
006	GAINESVILLE	GA	TRUCK ONLY	612,000
007	NEW HOLLAND	PA	TRUCK ONLY	3,240,000*
008	BOAZ	AL	TRUCK ONLY	288,000
009	ROGERS	AR	TRUCK ONLY	144,000
010	ROME	GA	TRUCK ONLY	576,000*
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				6,696,000

***NO TOLERANCE ALLOWED** - Less than 36,000 pounds will be rejected.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY322
INVITATION : 018
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 41 CHICKEN, CHILLED, LEGS
PACK SIZE : 90 BULK PACK

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/08 - 04/15/08

011 POMONA CA TRUCK ONLY 144,000*

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 144,000

COMM TYPE : 52 CHICKEN, 7 PC, BRD COOKED
PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/08 - 04/15/08

012 BIRMINGHAM AL 39,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 39,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 7,707,000

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