

# FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

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OFFER TO BUY: Canned Pineapple Products
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The Department of Agriculture (USDA) is planning to purchase up to 3.9 million pounds of canned pineapples and up to 13.1 million pounds of pineapple juice for donation to child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs, according to Secretary Ann M. Veneman.

The planned purchase will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-to-destination basis.

Products, quantities and size of pack will be announced in the Invitation.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be sent to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid. **All Bids must be submitted using the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES). Offers who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive.**

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. S.W., Room 2546-South Building, Washington, DC 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp/>