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Washington, DC
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Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) 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-301

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: July 27, 2004

Frozen Fruit, Announcement FV-301, Invitation 007

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to schools and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central time, Tuesday, August 24, 2004**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, September 21, 2004. Deliveries are to be made from November 16, 2004 through April 30, 2005.

NOTE: Funds are not presently available for contracts awarded for FY 2005. The Government's obligation for contracts issued is contingent upon the appropriation of 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 written notice of such availability from the Contracting Officer.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Frozen Apple Slices 30 lb. 36,960 cases

- 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 the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.
- On "BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY" destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.

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-301, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit (amended) dated April 2004, 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 20250-9410, 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 will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-301, to the listed locations. 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 : FV301
 INVITATION : 007
 COMM GROUP : 31 FRUIT, FROZEN
 COMM TYPE : 50 APPLE SLICES, FROZEN
 PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/04 - 11/30/04

001	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	420	_____
	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	900	_____
002	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	660	_____
	COLUMBUS	GA		660	_____
003	LOUISVILLE	KY	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
004	GRANITE CITY	IL		1,320	_____
005	BLOOMINGTON	IN	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
006	FORT WAYNE	IN	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
007	LOGANSPOUT	IN		1,320	_____
008	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
009	HARTFORD	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
010	ROMULUS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
011	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX		1,320	_____
012	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
013	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
014	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/04 - 12/15/04

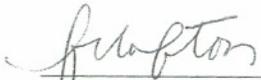
015	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
016	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/04 - 12/15/04					
017	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
018	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/16/04 - 12/31/04					
019	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/05 - 01/15/05					
020	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
021	EARLY	TX	TRUCK ONLY	346	_____
	EL PASO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	102	_____
	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	872	_____
022	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
023	LONG BEACH	CA	TRUCK ONLY	330	_____
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	990	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/05 - 01/31/05					
024	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	720	_____
	MACON	GA	TRUCK ONLY	600	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/05 - 02/15/05					
025	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/05 - 03/15/05					
026	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	720	_____
	MACON	GA	TRUCK ONLY	600	
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/05 - 04/30/05					
027	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				36,960	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				36,960	


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 Contracting Officer

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