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Please Note:
New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, 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-311

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: August 1, 2006

Fresh Apples, Announcement FV-311, Invitation 015

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell fresh fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition program and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, August 15, 2006.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Wednesday, August 30, 2006. Deliveries are to be made from October 30, 2006, through November 15, 2006.

Offers are invited from the trade for 42,504 cases of fresh apples in 37/40 lb. cartons to a shipping container.

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

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.

Note: Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is http://orca.bpn.gov. The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated Appendix 1 dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of their Appendix 1.

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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-311, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Fresh Fruit 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 basis, subject to Announcement FV-311, 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 single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV311
INVITATION : 015
COMM GROUP : 34 FRUIT, FRESH

PREFERENCE CODES:
M -MCINTOSH
E -EMPIRE
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RD-RED DELICIOUS
B -BRAEBURN
YI-YORK IMPERIAL
GS-GRANNY SMITH
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COMM TYPE : 10 APPLES, FRESH
PACK SIZE : 10 37/40 LB CARTON

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)	PREFERENCE 1	2	3
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/02/06 - 10/04/06								
001	BINGHAMTON	NY		1,848	_____	M	E **	
002	CENTRAL ISLIP	NY	TRUCK ONLY	2,772	_____	M	E **	
003	HALFMOON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____	M	E **	
004	MARCY	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____	M	E **	
005	MILTON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____	M	E **	
006	DELAWARE CITY	DE	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____	GD	RD	B
	LAUREL	MD	TRUCK ONLY	462				
007	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	398	_____	RD	GD	YI
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	526				
008	RIVIERA BEACH	FL	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	GD		
009	SHEPHERDSVILLE	KY	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	RD	GS	GD
010	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	201	_____	RD	GD	NP
	LEXINGTON	SC		723				
011	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	RD		

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012	NEWPORT	MN		924	_____	B	E	G
013	PHOENIX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	G	F	RD
014	LAS VEGAS	NV	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	GD	RD	GS
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/09/06 - 10/11/06								
015	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	M	RD	C
016	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	703	_____	RD	GD	YI
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	221				
017	NEWPORT	MN		924	_____	B	E	G
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/16/06 - 10/18/06								
018	BROOKLYN	NY	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	JG	RD	**
019	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	234	_____	RD	GD	YI
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	690				

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020	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	RD		
021	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____	RD	GS	F
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/23/06 - 10/25/06								
022	PORT NEWARK	NJ		462	_____	G	E	RD
	VINELAND	NJ		459				
	VINELAND	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	3				
023	PORT NEWARK	NJ		462	_____	RD	GD	G
	VINELAND	NJ		458				
	VINELAND	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	4				
024	PORT NEWARK	NJ		462	_____	E	RD	GD
	VINELAND	NJ		458				
	VINELAND	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	4				
025	PORT NEWARK	NJ		462	_____	GD	G	E
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027	DELAWARE CITY	DE	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____	GD	RD	B
	LAUREL	MD	TRUCK ONLY	462				
028	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	324	_____	RD	F	M
	FAIRBURN	GA	TRUCK ONLY	600				
029	LAS VEGAS	NV	TRUCK ONLY	500	_____	GS	RD	GD
	RENO	NV	TRUCK ONLY	424				
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/06/06 - 11/08/06								
030	BINGHAMTON	NY		1,848	_____	M	E	**
031	CENTRAL ISLIP	NY	TRUCK ONLY	2,772	_____	M	E	**
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Felicitas C. Lofton
Contracting Officer

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