

Poultry Programs

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NOTICE TO THE TRADE – NOVEMBER 2000

This school year, the Commodity Procurement Branch began accepting electronic bids for poultry and egg products through its Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES). So far, only a small number of vendors are submitting bids electronically. Submitting bids electronically streamlines the bid award processes thereby expediting contract award. As stated in our April 2000 Industry Meeting, beginning with purchases for the 2001-02 school year, we are considering accepting only electronic bids. Therefore, all vendors are encouraged to begin submitting bids through the DEBES website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>.

Attached is a copy of the Poultry Programs Vendor Identification (ID) and Password Authorization, which must be completed prior to submitting bids. If you have already received a Vendor ID and Password, but have not successfully submitted bids through DEBES, or if you have any other questions or concerns, please contact Ron McNeel at (202) 720-7693.

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