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FROZEN CHICKEN FAJITA STRIPS, INVITATION NO. 5, ANNOUNCEMENT
PY-279

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen, fully cooked, dark chicken fajita strips 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, Nov. 24. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Nov. 28. Deliveries are to be made from Jan. 1 to Jan. 15, 2004.

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.

Offers are invited from the trade for frozen, fully cooked, dark chicken fajita strips, produced from ready-to-cook boneless, skinless drumsticks, thighs, and/or legs. The commodity will be packaged 5 or 10 pounds (2.27 or 4.54 kg) per plastic-film bag to a net weight of 30 pounds (13.6 kg) in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,300 shipping containers totaling 39,000 pounds (17,690 kg).

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-279, the Commodity Specification for Chicken Fajita Strips dated July 2003, as amended, Appendix-1, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 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 commodity listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-279, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY279
INVITATION : 005
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 60 CHICKEN FAJITA STRIPS
PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CTN

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

001	NATICK	MA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
	SPRINGFIELD	MA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
002	TAUNTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	58,500
	WILMINGTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
003	WILMINGTON	MA		78,000
004	AUGUSTA	ME	TRUCK ONLY	39,000
005	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	39,000
006	ASHLAND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	32,263
	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	6,737
007	WINTER HAVEN	FL		78,000
008	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	39,000
009	ALCOA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	24,726
	LEBANON	TN	TRUCK ONLY	14,274
010	GRANITE CITY	IL		195,000
011	ELMIRA	MI		39,000
012	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	117,000
013	GRAMBLING	LA	TRUCK ONLY	11,500
	HARAHAN	LA	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
	ST MARTINVILLE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	17,500
014	BATON ROUGE	LA		27,500
	SHREVEPORT	LA		11,500
015	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	18,500
	ST MARTINVILLE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	20,500
016	ALBUQUERQUE	NM		39,000
017	MCALESTER	OK		39,000
018	HOUSTON	TX		39,000

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019	DES MOINES	IA		39,000
020	MASON CITY	IA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
	SIOUX CITY	IA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
021	PHOENIX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	39,000
022	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	19,500
023	FOREST GROVE	OR		39,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 1,248,000

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Catherine V. Smith
Contracting Officer

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