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TURKEY AND TURKEY PRODUCTS, INVITATION NO. 18, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-245

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell turkey and turkey products 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, Tuesday, Feb. 19 (due to the holiday on Monday for Federal employees). Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 22. Deliveries are to be made from April 1 to April 15.

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, 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 on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Items listed as "KOSHER ONLY" must be produced as a Kosher product. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-245, the Commodity Specifications dated April 1999, 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 Ave., 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 commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-245, 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.

Bulk Pack (233390) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled young turkeys without necks and giblets, nonbasted. Frozen may be specified. The individual turkey weight range must be 18 pounds (8.16 kg) and up per carcass weighed without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required in the Commodity Specification for Turkey and Turkey Products dated April 1999. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Roasts (233648) - Frozen ready-to-cook turkey roasts must weigh not less than 8 pounds (3.63 kg) and not more than 12 pounds (5.44 kg). Roasts must be packaged in elasticized netting and moisture-proof casings or plastic-film bags and packed four roasts per fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will total 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY245
INVITATION : 018
COMM GROUP : 23 TURKEY, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 33 TURKEY, FRESH/FROZEN, BULK
PACK SIZE : 90 BULK PACKED

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)	
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/02 - 04/15/02					
001	ROME	GA	TRUCK ONLY	36,000	
002	RAEFORD	NC	TRUCK ONLY	180,000	
003	WATERTOWN	SD	TRUCK ONLY	36,000	
004	PELICAN RAPIDS	MN	TRUCK ONLY	36,000	*NO TOLERANCE (See note.)
005	TURLOCK	CA	TRUCK ONLY	108,000	*NO TOLERANCE (See note.)
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				396,000	

***Note:** No weight variation will be allowed for purchase units under this item number. Any purchase unit weighing less than 36,000 pounds will be rejected.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY245
INVITATION : 018
COMM GROUP : 23 TURKEY, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 36 TURKEY, ROAST, FROZEN
PACK SIZE : 48 32-48 LB CONTAINER

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/02 - 04/15/02				
006	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
007	PORT NEWARK	NJ		20,000
	VINELAND	NJ		20,000
008	WINTER HAVEN	FL		40,000
009	LOGANSPORT	IN		80,000
010	FORT WAYNE	IN	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
	VINCENNES	IN	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
011	COLUMBUS	OH		80,000
012	DAYTON	OH		40,000
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				360,000
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				756,000

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Contracting Officer

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