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Agricultural Marketing Service
Commodity Procurement Staff
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Washington, DC 20250-0239

Information

Description: **AG-3J14-S-15-0070**
Bid invitation number: **2000003502**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Livestock**

SOLICITATION

Master/Shortfall Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 07/29/2015 14:35:00
Offer Due Date : 08/18/2015 13:00:00

Opening date: 08/18/2015 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Master

Additional requested information:

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BISON PRODUCTS SOLICITATION NO: 2000003502

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen bison products pursuant to the AMS Solicitation for use in the Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, September 9, 2015. Deliveries are to be made between October 16, 2015 and June 30, 2016.

A conference call regarding this Request for Proposal (RFP) will be held at 1:00pm Central Time on Tuesday, August 4, 2015. To assist with vendor participation, AMS will host a telephone conference call to discuss technical and program requirements, and will field any questions from interested offerors. To participate in the call, dial 888-844-9904. The participant code for the call is 1801764#.

Questions regarding this RFP are due on or before 10:00 am Central Time, on Monday, August 3, 2015 via email, to both Chyra Lewis, Chyra.Lewis@ams.usda.gov and James Sprandel, James.Sprandel@ams.usda.gov with #Questions concerning Solicitation 2000003502 Frozen Ground Bison# in the subject line.

To determine the number of destinations, review the Schedule in Section B of the RFP, which will indicate the City and State for each stop. Bidders may submit different prices for each stop.

Offerors who intend to use more than one processing plant and shipping point for contracts awarded under this solicitation, other than the processing plant and shipping point entered in their bids, may submit a list of their approved processing plants and shipping points on a separate sheet of paper to be uploaded in WBSCM, and to be submitted with their bids.

Purchases will be made on an f.o.b. destination basis to cities on this Solicitation.

All prime offerors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

Offers must be submitted electronically via the Web-Based Supply Chain Management System (WBSCM). Offers submitted by any means other than WBSCM will be deemed nonresponsive. Offerors must be active in WBSCM and have the required bidder roles in order to submit offers under this solicitation. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions or call (202) 720-4517 for assistance.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Specialist; USDA, AMS, Room 3522-South; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517. FAX: (202)720-2782.

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See attached documents:

- 1 . GROUND BISON RFP
- 2 . THE SCHEDULE CHART - WORD VERSION
- 3 . PAST PERFORMANCE REFERENCE - WORD VERSION
- 4 . PRODUCT SURVEY - WORD VERSION

Attributes :

OFFEROR CERTIFIES THAT THE OFFER IS MADE SUBJECT TO THE MASTER SOLICITATION; COMMODITY SUPPLEMENT AND/OR SPECIFICATION(S); THIS SOLICITATION; THE AGRICULTURE ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (AGAR) AND THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (FAR).
 TIMELY PERFORMANCE: OFFEROR AND ANY SUBCONTRACTOR HAVE COMPLETED REQUIRED PERFORMANCE OF ANY USDA CONTRACT PRIOR TO THIS BID OPENING.

- Permitted values:
- Have been delivered
 - Have not been delivered
 - Have not been delivered, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer
 - There are no existing contracts/purchase orders

FURNISH NAME, TITLE, PHONE NUMBER, FAX NUMBER, AND E-MAIL ADDRESS OF PERSON SUBMITTING THIS BID (MUST BE AN OFFICER OF THE COMPANY OR A PERSON AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS/ PURCHASE ORDERS ON BEHALF OF BIDDER)

OFFEROR REQUESTS HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE. APPLIES ONLY TO FIRMS CERTIFIED IN THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S HUBZONE PROGRAM (FAR SUBPART 19.13).MUST BE THE MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER OF THE PRODUCT TO RECEIVE A PRICE PREFERENCE

IS THE OFFEROR AN ENTITY THAT HAS FILED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION IN ONE OF THE FIFTY STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR THE VARIOUS TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES? YOU MUST ANSWER THE NEXT 3 QUESTIONS IF THE ANSWER FOR THIS QUESTION IS YES.

HAS THE OFFEROR BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

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HAS THE OFFEROR HAD ANY OFFICER OR AGENT OF OFFEROR CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION FOR ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF OFFEROR UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

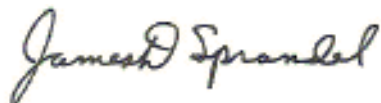
DOES THE OFFEROR HAVE ANY UNPAID FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY ASSESSED, WHICH ALL JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED/LAPSED, THAT IS NOT BEING PAID IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING IT?

OFFEROR ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF THE AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SOLICITATION. SELECT N/A IF NO AMENDMENT WAS ISSUED TO THE SOLICITATION.

- Permitted values:
- Yes
 - No
 - N/A

Bid invitation Item details

Item Material Description	Quantity
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Contracting Officer
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