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Information

Description: 12-3J14-18-S-0151
Bid invitation number: 2000005193
Purchasing Group: AMS Poultry

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 01/24/2018 14:30:00 Offer Due Date : 02/07/2018 13:00:00

Opening date: 02/07/2018 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header:

CHICKEN STRIPS, SOLICITATION NO: 2000005193

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Chicken Strips pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the National School Lunch Program and other Federal Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, February 21, 2018. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2018, and May 31, 2018.

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.

This Solicitation may show multiple stops on some line items; however, the number of stops will be limited to a maximum of three. To determine the number of destinations, review the "Tendering Text" for the lot, which will indicate the City and State for each stop. Bidders may submit different prices for each stop. However, a price is required on all line items within the lot.

For offshore destinations (Puerto Rico, Hawaii, etc.), offerors have the option to choose to enter their bids direct to the offshore destination or to the port.

Purchases will be made on an f.o.b. destination basis to cities on this Solicitation. Destination quantities listed are estimates and subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient needs, market conditions, and program operations.

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

In order to submit offers on this Solicitation, offerors must be deemed eligible by the Contracting Officer. Product purchased under this Solicitation will be produced according to the Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Chicken Strips dated March 2017; Supplement 801 dated March 2017; and eligible supplier's approved technical proposal. Please review the changes in Supplement 801 for Chicken Strips dated March 2017 and update your technical proposals to Food Safety and Commodity Specification (FSCS) Division if necessary.

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 reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about

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the Master Solicitation dated April 2017; Federal Purchase Program Specification (FPPS) for Chicken Strips dated March 2017; Supplement 801 dated March 2017; or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; 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. AMS Master Solicitation April 2017
- 2. Supplement 801 for Frozen Cooked Chicken Strips March 2017

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

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

Furnish name, title, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address of person submitting this bid (must be

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an officer of the company or a person authorized to execute contracts/purchase orders on behalf of the bidder).

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?

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									
<u>Item Materia</u>	I Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity					
10 CHICKEN, COOKED									
20 CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB									
30 BAKERSFIELD CA									
40 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	93301	39,000	LB				
50 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	05/16/2018-05/31/2018	93301	39,000	LB				
60 POMONA CA									
70 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/16/2018-04/30/2018	91767	39,000	LB				
80 SACRAMEN	TO CA								
90 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	05/16/2018-05/31/2018	95814	39,000	LB				
100 DELAWARE CITY DE									
110 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	19706	39,000	LB				
120 ST PAUL MN									
130 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	55108	39,000	LB				
140 CONCORD NH									
150 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	03301	39,000	LB				
160 RENO NV									

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Item Materia	I Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity	_
170 110462	CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB	04/01/2018-04/15/2018	89512	39,000	LB
	Total Quantity for CHICKEN STRIPS FRZ CTN-30 LB			312,000	LB
	Total Quantity for Invitation			312.000	LB

Contracting Officer

Commodity Procurement Division

United States Department of Agriculture