#### **RICE PRODUCTS**

Acquisition Method: Invitation for Bid Description: 12-3J14-22-B-0300

Number: 2000008488

Issued date: April 21, 2022, 1300 Central Time
Offers due: May 10, 2022, 0900 Central Time
Award Notification May 13, 2022, by 1500 Central Time
Public Release of Award: May 16, 2022, by 1500 Central Time

# 1. Solicitation Information Contact:

Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST.

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)
Commodity Procurement Program (CPP)
Proteins, Grains, and Oilseeds Procurement Division (PGOPD)
Dairy, Grains, & Oilseeds Branch (DGO)
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# 2. AMS Commodity Procurement Internet Address: <a href="http://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food">http://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food</a>

## 3. This Acquisition is:

// Unrestricted. /x/ Set-Aside for:

/x/ Small Business Set-Aside in accordance with FAR 19.502-2. Any concern proposing to furnish a product that it did not itself manufacture must furnish the product of a small business manufacturer.

#### NOTICE OF SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE

If specified in the solicitation, certain quantities are set aside exclusively for small business firms under the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631, et seq.). Bids received for these set-aside quantities from firms who are not small business concerns will not be considered.

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#### 4. NAICS Codes/Size Standards:

See Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement-Domestic Programs at <a href="https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/MSCP.pdf">https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/MSCP.pdf</a>

**5. Delivery Type:** F.O.B. Destination

#### 6. Submission of offers:

A. WBSCM Service Desk Information

To obtain assistance using WBSCM, please contact the WBSCM Level 1 Service desk at any of the following:

-telephone: 877-WBSCM-4U or 877-927-2648

-email: WBSCM.servicedesk@CACI.com

You need to have the following information available when contacting the WBSCM Level 1 Service Desk:

- -Company's Business Partner (BP) number: (if available)
- -Company Name:
- -Contact Name:
- -Phone Number:
- -E-mail Address:
- -Identify that you are a Domestic Vendor.
- -Identify that you do business with AMS.
- -Identify the deadline; date and time, for the Solicitation you need assistance with from the Service Desk.

Level 1 Service Desk hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Central Time. The WBSCM system is off-line Sunday evenings from 4:00 PM to Midnight Central Time. Unplanned outages will be communicated through the WBSCM system.

## B. WBSCM Offer Information

Only one bid price may be submitted for an item number.

## C. Supplier Agreement Requirement.

If the offer is for product the offeror will not itself manufacture, offeror shall, by the offer due date/time, submit the corresponding supplier agreement to, Attention: Contracting Officer at the solicitation information contact address shown in this solicitation. The supplier agreement shall be in effect between the offeror and the product manufacturer for the period of contract performance; certify compliance with the applicable solicitation requirements, contain the DUNS number for the product manufacturer, be on the product manufacturer's company letterhead, and be signed by both parties.

A prospective contractor may be required to provide written evidence of a proposed subcontractor's responsibility. The Contracting Officer may directly determine a prospective subcontractor's responsibility.

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# D. Business Size/Type Designation for Subcontracting.

An offer from a small business to supply manufactured products of small and large businesses shall be divided and submitted separately using separate WBSCM logon IDs. An offer from a farmer-owned cooperative large business to supply manufactured products of both a small business and other than small (i.e., farmer-owned cooperative large business or large business) shall be divided and submitted separately using separate WBSCM logon IDs. See information below.

## Examples:

If offeror business size is small business and the manufactured product is subcontracted to a small business, then the WBSCM size designation is small business.

If offeror business size is small business and manufactured product is subcontracted to a Farmerowned Cooperative large business or a large business, then the WSBCM size designation is large business.

If offeror business size is large business and manufactured product is subcontracted to a small or a large business, then the WBSCM size designation is large business

## 7. Shipment/Delivery Schedule:

July 16, 2022, to September 30, 2022

## 8. Other Requirements:

A. Bidders shall meet the Qualification Requirements in the Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement-Domestic Programs (MSCP-D) at <a href="https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/MSCP.pdf">https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/MSCP.pdf</a>

B. AMS hereby waives the requirement from the RICE Products Commodity Requirement document, Part 1 COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS, A. Section 1.1 COMMODITIES, D. All rice products for delivery to destinations in the State of Hawaii shall be U.S. No 1 Medium Grain only. Rice for delivery to destinations in the State of Hawaii should be for the Rice grade and type requested on the Invitation for Bid.

## 9. FAR and Agriculture Acquisition Regulation (AGAR) Provisions and Clauses:

A. This solicitation shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the Master Solicitation for Commodity Procurement-Domestic Programs (MSCP-D) in effect as of the date of this solicitation. The FAR and AGAR provisions and clauses applicable to this solicitation are contained in the MSCP-D and this solicitation.

B. // Applicable if checked. FAR Clause **52.232-18**, **Availability of Funds** (Apr 1984). Funds are not presently available for this contract. The Government obligation under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until

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funds are made available to the contracting officer for this contract and until the contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the contracting officer.