The purpose of this amendment is to add the following tendering text:

Checkloading Tendering Text for Cooked Chicken Products

800…Final Examination of Packaged and Packed Commodity

Contractors may choose to perform contractor checkloading in lieu of grader checkloading. The AMS grader will still be present during production for certification compliance but is not required to be present during checkloading.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.
A USDA Poultry Products Grading Certificate would not be issued or required to accompany the load. If contractor checkloading is chosen, the contractor shall be responsible for conducting the FPPS requirements under Section 850 Loading and Shipping Frozen Commodity including records to assure contract compliance. The following are required in lieu of Section 860 of the FPPS:

861…Requirements # Inspection for final contract compliance shall be made by the Contractor, in accordance with 7 CFR § 70, FSIS regulations, and this FPPS. The quality, quantity, weight, packaging and packing of the commodity shall be evidenced by a Certificate of Conformance that verifies the designated commodity to be shipped meets all the requirements as stated in this FPPS, MSCP-D and Solicitation. Inspection records shall be complete and made available to USDA, as requested, to assure contract compliance. Contractor Checkloading activity shall be reviewed by USDA under AMS LP QAD 623 Contractor Checkloading Surveillance Program at the cost of the contractor.

Contractor Checkloading - the contractor shall perform checkloading examinations as described in the FPPS at the time of shipment and issue a Certificate of Conformance which can be found in the MSCP-D. Contractor is also required to provide an acceptance document to accompany each shipment. Further details are found in the AMS MSCP-D, Section 4A52.247-82 for Bill of Lading Notations.

1011.1…Each shipping container shall be identified with a USDA Contract Compliance stamp with the applicable production date. An AMS Grader or other authorized personnel under the supervision of the AMS Grader shall stamp one end of each shipping container online. If there is inadequate space available on either end of the shipping container, the stamp may be applied to a side of the container.

1012…A copy of the Contractor’s Certificate of Conformance and Bill of Lading or the original USDA Poultry Products Grading Certificate issued at time of checkloading shall accompany each shipment.”