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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: **12-3J14-24-B-0048**  
Bid invitation number: **2000009674**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 10/30/2023 10:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 11/08/2023 15:00:00  
  
Opening date: 11/08/2023 15:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Canned Soup (Vegetable Soup), SOLICITATION NO: 2000009674

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Canned Soup 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, November 15, 2023. Deliveries are to be made between January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024.

The specialist for this solicitation is Carol Givens-Verser ([carol.givens-verser@usda.gov](mailto:carol.givens-verser@usda.gov)). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Kelli Dawkins ([kelli.dawkins@usda.gov](mailto:kelli.dawkins@usda.gov)). Please contact the specialist first, with questions regarding the requirements of this solicitation. Do not discuss your bid prices with the specialist or contracting officer before award.

There is a probationary period for new-to-AMS contractors and existing contractors bidding on new products in which awards may be limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of [new] product in order to be removed from probationary status on future solicitations. For the purposes of this rule, successful delivery is defined as product delivered on-time and in acceptable condition according to the terms and conditions of the contract.

The Quantity Tolerance section of the specification document, "Contractor will be allowed a tolerance on the final delivery of plus or minus 50 cases of each product, from each shipping point named in the purchase order", is not applicable to this solicitation. USDA will not pay for any cases exceeding the contracted quantity.

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.

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All prime vendors 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 reasonably expect to produce and deliver. Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated April 2023; Specification for Canned Soups dated July 2021; 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 . MSCP-D 4-5-2023
- 2 . Commodity Specification Canned Soups July 2021

**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).

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

1A) Offeror has reviewed the List of Required Products for GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Reporting located at:

- Permitted values:
- N/A
  - NO
  - YES

[https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/GS1\\_GDSN\\_ListofRequiredProducts.xlsx](https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/GS1_GDSN_ListofRequiredProducts.xlsx).

1B) Offeror certifies that complete and accurate product information will be submitted to GS1 GDSN no later 20 days after contract award, if the awarded contract includes item(s) from the List of Required Products for GS1 GDSN reporting.

1C) Offeror certifies that the information submitted in GS1 GDSN will be kept up-to-date (to reflect changes in product attributes, such as changes to the ingredient or allergen statement) until the end of the contract period.

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	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
<b>10</b>		<b>VEGETABLE, CANNED</b>			
<b>20</b>		<b>SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1</b>			
<b>30</b>		<b>PHOENIX AZ</b>			
<b>40</b>	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	85009	CS 2,200.000
<b>50</b>		<b>BAKERSFIELD CA</b>			

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60	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	93307	2,200.000	CS
<b>70 GARDEN GROVE CA</b>						
80	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	92841	2,200.000	CS
90	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	92841	2,200.000	CS
100	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	92841	2,200.000	CS
<b>110 INDUSTRY CA</b>						
120	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	90601	2,200.000	CS
130	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	90601	4,400.000	CS
140	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	90601	4,400.000	CS
150	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	90601	2,200.000	CS
<b>160 RIVERSIDE CA</b>						
170	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	92504	2,200.000	CS
<b>180 SACRAMENTO CA</b>						
190	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	95838	4,400.000	CS
<b>200 SAN BERNARDINO CA</b>						
210	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	92415	2,200.000	CS
<b>220 SAN DIEGO CA</b>						
230	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	92121	2,200.000	CS
240	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	92121	2,200.000	CS
<b>250 SANTA ROSA CA</b>						
260	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	95403	2,200.000	CS
<b>270 WOODLAND CA</b>						
280	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	95776	2,200.000	CS

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<b>290 FORT PIERCE FL</b>						
300	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	34947	2,200.000	CS
<b>310 JACKSONVILLE FL</b>						
320	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	32254	2,200.000	CS
<b>330 MILTON FL</b>						
340	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	32583	2,200.000	CS
<b>350 TAMPA FL</b>						
360	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	33605	2,200.000	CS
<b>370 AUGUSTA GA</b>						
380	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	30909	2,200.000	CS
<b>390 EAST POINT GA</b>						
400	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	30344	2,200.000	CS
410	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	30344	2,200.000	CS
420	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	30344	2,200.000	CS
430	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	30344	2,200.000	CS
<b>440 WINCHESTER KY</b>						
450	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	40391	2,200.000	CS
460	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	40391	2,200.000	CS
<b>470 BAKER LA</b>						
480	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	70714	2,200.000	CS
<b>490 BATON ROUGE LA</b>						
500	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	70815	2,200.000	CS
<b>510 DELHI LA</b>						
520	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	71232	2,200.000	CS

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<b>530 NEW ORLEANS LA</b>						
540	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	70126	2,200.000	CS
550	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	70126	2,200.000	CS
560	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	70126	2,200.000	CS
<b>570 BALTIMORE MD</b>						
580	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	21227	2,200.000	CS
<b>590 DETROIT MI</b>						
600	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	48238	2,200.000	CS
<b>610 KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
620	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	64161	6,600.000	CS
630	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	64161	6,600.000	CS
640	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	64161	8,800.000	CS
650	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	64161	6,600.000	CS
660	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	64161	6,600.000	CS
670	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	64161	6,600.000	CS
<b>680 HILLSIDE NJ</b>						
690	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	07205	2,200.000	CS
<b>700 VINELAND NJ</b>						
710	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	08360	2,200.000	CS
<b>720 BRENTWOOD NY</b>						
730	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	11717	2,200.000	CS
740	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	11717	2,200.000	CS
<b>750 BRONX NY</b>						

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760	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	10474	2,200.000	CS
770	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	10474	2,200.000	CS
780	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	10474	2,200.000	CS
790	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	10474	2,200.000	CS
<b>800 SYRACUSE NY</b>						
810	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	13209	2,200.000	CS
820	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	13209	2,200.000	CS
830	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	13209	4,400.000	CS
840	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/16/2024-03/31/2024	13209	4,400.000	CS
<b>850 CLEVELAND OH</b>						
860	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	44110	2,200.000	CS
870	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	44110	2,200.000	CS
880	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	44110	2,200.000	CS
<b>890 GREENVILLE SC</b>						
900	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	29611	2,200.000	CS
<b>910 AMARILLO TX</b>						
920	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	79102	2,200.000	CS
<b>930 PLANO TX</b>						
940	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	75075	2,200.000	CS
<b>950 VERONA VA</b>						
960	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	24482	2,200.000	CS
<b>970 WEST MILWAUKEE WI</b>						
980	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	53219		CS

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					2,200.000	
<b>990 LOT: 367584999 BURLEY ID / COEUR D'AL..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 367584999 BURLEY ID / COEUR D'ALENE ID / LEWISTON ID /						
1000	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	83318		CS
					733.000	
1010	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	83815		CS
					733.000	
1020	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	83501		CS
					734.000	
<b>1030 LOT: 391081547 BOSTON MA / CHICOPEE M...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 391081547 BOSTON MA / CHICOPEE MA / SHREWSBURY MA /						
1040	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	02118		CS
					1,100.000	
1050	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	01020		CS
					550.000	
1060	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	01545		CS
					550.000	
<b>1070 LOT: 416353065 CLEARWATER FL / PORT R...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 416353065 CLEARWATER FL / PORT RICHEY FL /						
1080	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	33756		CS
					1,407.000	
1090	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	34688		CS
					793.000	
<b>1100 LOT: 558380328 LEWISTON ID / MERIDIAN...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 558380328 LEWISTON ID / MERIDIAN ID / POCATELLO ID /						
1110	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	83501		CS
					733.000	
1120	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	83642		CS
					734.000	
1130	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	83201		CS
					733.000	
<b>1140 LOT: 571271056 BAKER LA / DELHI LA /</b>						
1150	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	70714		CS
					1,575.000	



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1160	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	71232	625.000	CS
<b>1170 LOT: 612871074 BAKER LA / DELHI LA /</b>						
1180	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	70714	1,575.000	CS
1190	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	71232	625.000	CS
<b>1200 LOT: 638970630 BATTLE CREEK MI / DETR..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 638970630 BATTLE CREEK MI / DETROIT MI / WESTLAND MI /						
1210	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	49037	1,100.000	CS
1220	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	48238	660.000	CS
1230	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	48186	440.000	CS
<b>1240 LOT: 651634313 DETROIT MI / FLINT MI /</b>						
1250	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	48238	1,100.000	CS
1260	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	48507	1,100.000	CS
<b>1270 LOT: 778637624 PHARR TX / VICTORIA TX /</b>						
1280	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	78577	1,100.000	CS
1290	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/01/2024-01/15/2024	77901	1,100.000	CS
<b>1300 LOT: 853515026 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TUL..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 853515026 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TULSA OK /						
1310	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	73179	1,320.000	CS
1320	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	01/16/2024-01/31/2024	74106	880.000	CS
<b>1330 LOT: 918632071 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TUL..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 918632071 OKLAHOMA CITY OK / TULSA OK /						
1340	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	73179	1,320.000	CS
1350	100321	SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	74106	880.000	CS

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Total Quantity for SOUP VEGETABLE CAN-24/1			198,000.000 CS
Total Quantity for Invitation			198,000.000 CS



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