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Description: 12-3J14-24-B-0167
Bid invitation number: 2000009809
Purchasing Group: AMS Dairy

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 01/09/2024 13:00:00 Offer Due Date : 01/23/2024 13:00:00

Opening date: 01/23/2024 13:00:00

Invitation Type: Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Tendering text - Header :

Mozzarella String Cheese, SOLICITATION 12-3J14-24-B-0167 WBSCM NO: 2000009809

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Mozzarella String Cheese pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the domestic food distribution programs. Bids are due by 1pm CT on January 23, 2024. Acceptances will be announced by 5pm CT on February 6, 2024. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

This Acquisition is 35% Set-Aside for Small Business and will have HUBZone preference.

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.

Products offered in response to this solicitation must be manufactured in a plant approved by USDA Dairy Programs.

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.

Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver.

Inquiries about the Master Solicitation, the Commodity Requirements Document, or this Solicitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA, AMS, Commodity Procurement Program, Proteins, Grains, and Oilseeds Procurement Division; 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. S-0239; Washington, D.C. 20250-0239. Telephone: (202) 720-4517.

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Certification Questions:

ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED. WHEN ANSWERING QUESTIONS, PLEASE UTILIZE ATTACHED BID CERTIFICATION QUESTIONS DOCUMENT.

See attached documents:

- 1 . Master Solicitation
- 2 . Bid Cert Questions
- 3 . MOZZARELLA CRD

Attributes :

- 1. Food Modernization Act
- 2. SAM
- 2a. SAM Certs
- 3. Amendment if applicable
- 4. On Time Deliveries
- 5. Commercial Brand Name
- 6. Plant Location
- 7. Supplier Agreement if applicable
- 7a. Supplier Agreement submitted
- 8. Product meets Commodity CRD
- 9. Contact Name and Email
- 9a. Emergency Contact
- 10. Telecommunications
- 10a. Telecommunications Equipment
- 11. Enter Business Size Standard

Permitted values: - SMALL BUSINESS

SMALL BUSINESS FARMER-OWNED COOP
 LARGE BUSINESS FARMER-OWNED COOP

- LARGE BUSINESS

Bid invitation Item details

Item Material Description Required by ZipCode Quantity

10 CHEESE, MOZZARELLA

20 CHEESE MOZ LM PT SKM STRING BOX-360/1 OZ

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30 FRESNO CA						
40	110396	CHEESE MOZ LM PT SKM STRING BOX-360/1 OZ	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	93722	18,900.000	LB
<i>50</i>	LOT: 828	46254 NEWARK NJ / VINELAND N.	<i>J</i> /			
60	110396	CHEESE MOZ LM PT SKM STRING BOX-360/1 OZ	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	07114	18,900.000	LB
70	110396	CHEESE MOZ LM PT SKM STRING BOX-360/1 OZ	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	08360	15,120.000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHEESE MOZ LM BOX-360/1 OZ	PT SKM STRING		52,920.000	LB
		Total Quantity for Invitation			52,920.000	LB

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Contracting Officer
Commodity Procurement Division
United States Department of Agriculture