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Washington, DC 20036

#### Information

Description: 12-3J14-24-B-0206  
Bid invitation number: 2000009853  
Purchasing Group: AMS-Fruit and Veg

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 01/29/2024 10:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 02/08/2024 13:00:00

Opening date: 02/08/2024 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

#### Tendering text - Header :

Dehydrated Potatoes, SOLICITATION NO: 2000009853

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Dehydrated Potatoes 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 15, 2024. Deliveries are to be made between April 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

The specialist for this solicitation is Claudius Price(Claudius.I.Price@usda.gov). The contracting officer for this solicitation is Glenn Reid(Glenn.Reid@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 November 2023; Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potatoes 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 . Specification Dehydrated Potato Flakes
- 2 . MSCP-D 11-7-2023

**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

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- 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:      - 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, DRIED</b>						
<b>20</b>	<b>POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB</b>						
<b>30</b>	<b>KANSAS CITY MO</b>						
40	100337		POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	64161	5,000.000	CS
50	100337		POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	04/16/2024-04/30/2024	64161	10,000.000	CS
60	100337		POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	64161	5,000.000	CS
70	100337		POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	64161	10,000.000	CS

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80	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	64161	5,000.000	CS
90	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	64161	10,000.000	CS
<b>100 TUCSON AZ</b>						
110	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	85713	2,500.000	CS
120	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	85713	2,500.000	CS
<b>130 DELAWARE CITY DE</b>						
140	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	19706	2,500.000	CS
<b>150 BAKER LA</b>						
160	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/16/2024-05/31/2024	70714	2,500.000	CS
<b>170 NEW ORLEANS LA</b>						
180	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	70126	2,500.000	CS
<b>190 JACKSON MS</b>						
200	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	39201	2,500.000	CS
<b>210 HUNTINGDON PA</b>						
220	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	16652	12,500.000	CS
<b>230 PHILADELPHIA PA</b>						
240	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	19129	5,000.000	CS
<b>250 RICHMOND VA</b>						
260	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	23220	2,500.000	CS
<b>270 WEST MILWAUKEE WI</b>						
280	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	04/01/2024-04/15/2024	53219	2,500.000	CS
<b>290 LOT: 41642620 LIMA OH / LOGAN OH / SP...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 41642620 LIMA OH / LOGAN OH / SPRINGFIELD OH /						
300	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	45804	875.000	CS

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310	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	43138	1,000.000	CS
320	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	45503	625.000	CS
<b>330 LOT: 213751503 DAVENPORT IA / EAST PE..</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 213751503 DAVENPORT IA / EAST PEORIA IL /						
340	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	52802	1,250.000	CS
350	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	61611	1,250.000	CS
<b>360 LOT: 327678960 DAYTON OH / FAIRFIELD ...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 327678960 DAYTON OH / FAIRFIELD OH /						
370	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	45417	1,250.000	CS
380	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	45014	1,250.000	CS
<b>390 LOT: 367140884 BATH MI / BATTLE CREEK...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 367140884 BATH MI / BATTLE CREEK MI / FLINT MI /						
400	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	48808	556.000	CS
410	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	49037	671.000	CS
420	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	48503	1,273.000	CS
<b>430 LOT: 401984040 ANN ARBOR MI / DETROIT...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 401984040 ANN ARBOR MI / DETROIT MI / FLINT MI /						
440	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	48105	500.000	CS
450	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	48238	1,375.000	CS
460	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	48507	625.000	CS
<b>470 LOT: 544522191 DETROIT MI / FLINT MI /</b>						
480	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	48238	1,875.000	CS
490	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	48507		CS

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		LB			625.000	
<b>500 LOT: 559924240 BOISE ID / BURLEY ID /</b>						
510	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	83714	1,250.000	CS
520	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	83318	1,250.000	CS
<b>530 LOT: 712423423 BOSTON MA / CHICOPEE M...</b>						
Tendering text - Item : LOT: 712423423 BOSTON MA / CHICOPEE MA / SHREWSBURY MA /						
540	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	02118	1,250.000	CS
550	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	01020	625.000	CS
560	100337	POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	01545	625.000	CS
Total Quantity for POTATOES DEHYDRATED FLKS PKG-12/1 LB					102,500.000	CS
Total Quantity for Invitation					102,500.000	CS



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