

**United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service**
Commodity Procurement Staff
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Washington, DC 20250-0239

Information

Description: **AG-3J16-S-15-0064**
Bid invitation number: **2000003228**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

**SOLICITATION
Master/Shortfall Invitation**

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 03/06/2015 12:00:00
Offer Due Date : 03/27/2015 13:00:00

Opening date: 03/27/2015 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Master

Additional requested information:

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FROZEN AND CANNED FRUIT PRODUCTS, SOLICITATION NO: 2000003228

The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests proposals to sell frozen and canned fruit products pursuant to the attached Request for Proposal (RFP) document for use in the food and nutrition assistance programs.

Interested offerors shall carefully read applicable documents and instructions located in the RFP document concerning the content, format, and submission of proposals. Awards will be announced by midnight April 27, 2015.

Questions regarding the solicitation shall be submitted in writing to Christina Sample at Christina.sample@ams.usda.gov, no later than 1:00 PM Central Time on March 10, 2015.

Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) will host a telephone conference call on 3/12/2015, at 11:00 am Eastern Time (10:00 a.m. Central Time). During the call, AMS Commodity Procurement staff will explain the program requirements and field any questions industry may have.

To participate in the call, dial 1-888-844-9904. The participant code for the call is 1693356#.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred. Offerors are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver.

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.

"The USDA prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (866) 632-9992 (Toll-free Customer Service), (800)877-8339 (Local or Federal relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay voice users)."

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See attached documents:

- 1 . Frozen Fruit October 2014
- 2 . Canned Fruit September2014
- 3 . Canned Fruit September2014 Ammendment 01
- 4 . Part B - Schedule Oct 2015 - Dec 2015
- 5 . Exhibit 2 HISTORICAL ORDERING INFORMATION
- 6 . RFP IDIQ 2000003228

Attributes :

OFFER CERTIFIES THAT THE OFFER IS MADE SUBJECT TO THE USDA SPECIFICATION; THIS SOLICITATION; THE AGRICULTURE ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (AGAR); AND THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (FAR).

TIMELY PERFORMANCE: OFFERORS AND ANY SUBCONTRACTOR _____ COMPLETED REQUIRED PERFORMANCE OF ANY USDA CONTRACT PRIOR TO THE OFFER DUE DATE.

- Permitted values:
- Have
 - Have not
 - Have not, but the Offeror has notified the Contracting Officer
 - There are no existing contracts/purchase orders

OFFEROR REQUESTS HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE (YES) (NO). APPLIES ONLY TO FIRMS CERTIFIED IN THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION#S HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS ZONE PROGRAM (FAR SUBPART 19.13).

FURNISH NAME, TITLE, PHONE NUMBER AND E-MAIL ADDRESS OF PERSON SUBMITTING THIS OFFER (MUST BE AN OFFICER OF THE COMPANY OR A PERSON AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE OFFEROR).

IS THE OFFEROR AN ENTITY THAT HAS FILED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION IN ONE OF THE FIFTY STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR THE VARIOUS TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES? YOU MUST ANSWER THE NEXT 3 QUESTIONS IF THE ANSWER FOR THIS QUESTION IS YES.

HAS THE OFFEROR BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

HAS THE OFFEROR HAD ANY OFFICER OR AGENT OF OFFEROR CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL VIOLATION FOR ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF OFFEROR UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW IN THE 24 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF OFFER?

DOES THE OFFEROR HAVE ANY UNPAID FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY ASSESSED, WHICH ALL JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED/LAPSED, THAT IS NOT BEING PAID IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING

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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	Quantity	
10	FRUIT, CANNED			
20	110238	PEARS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
30	110237	PEARS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
40	110239	PEARS SLICES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS SLICES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
50	110233	MIXED FRUIT EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for MIXED FRUIT EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
60	110234	PEACHES CLING DICED EXLT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES CLING DICED EXLT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
70	100223	PEARS CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
80	100218	PEACHES CLING SLICES CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES CLING SLICES CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
90	110236	PEACHES CLING SLC EXLT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES CLING SLC EXLT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
100	100210	APRICOT HALVES CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOT HALVES CAN-24/300	87,480	CS

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
110	100211	MIXED FRUIT CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
		Total Quantity for MIXED FRUIT CAN-24/300	87,480	CS
120	100219	PEACHES CLING SLICES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES CLING SLICES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
130	100216	APRICOTS DICED PEELED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOTS DICED PEELED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
140	100220	PEACHES CLING DICED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES CLING DICED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
150	100209	APRICOTS HALVES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOTS HALVES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
160	100212	MIXED FRUIT EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for MIXED FRUIT EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
170	110230	APRICOTS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN 6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOTS DICED EX LT SUCROSE CAN 6/10	49,248	CS
180	100226	PEARS HALVES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS HALVES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
190	110231	APRICOTS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOTS HALVES EX LT SUCROSE CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
200	100224	PEARS SLICES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS SLICES EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
210	100225	PEARS DICED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
		Total Quantity for PEARS DICED EX LT CAN-6/10	49,248	CS
220 FRUIT, FROZEN				
230	100256	STRAWBERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ	75,600	CS

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	
		Total Quantity for STRAWBERRY FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ	75,600	CS
240	100261	APRICOT FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ	75,600	CS
		Total Quantity for APRICOT FRZ CUP-96/4.5 OZ	75,600	CS
250	100239	PEACHES FREESTONE SLICES FRZ CTN-20 LB	102,600	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACHES FREESTONE SLICES FRZ CTN-20 LB	102,600	CS
260	100241	PEACH FREESTONE DICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ	75,600	CS
		Total Quantity for PEACH FREESTONE DICED FRZ CUP-96/4.4 OZ	75,600	CS
		Total Quantity for Invitation	1,467,288	CS



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