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Agricultural Marketing Service
Commodity Procurement Staff
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Washington, DC 20250-0239

Information

Description: **AG-FMIS-S-14-0149-P0002**
Bid invitation number: **2000002811**
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Fruit and Veg**

SOLICITATION

Domestic Commodity Invitation

Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time
Start Date: 08/08/2014 12:51:00
Offer Due Date : 08/29/2014 13:00:00

Opening date: 08/29/2014 13:00:00

Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

Additional requested information:

Amendment Text :

8/12/2014 - Solicitation amended to remove the statement regarding the 50% small business set aside.

Tendering text - Header :

Fresh Vegetables, SOLICITATION NO: 2000002811

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Fresh Vegetables 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, September 16, 2014. Deliveries are to be made between October 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015.

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.

Vendors or subcontractors who are supplying fresh fruit are required to undergo the USDA AMS FVP Fresh Products Branch Good Handling Practices (GHP) certifications process, and must score at least 80% on EACH of the following element: House Packing; Storage and Transportation; and Traceback.

In addition to the GHP, vendor or subcontractors/suppliers are also required to undergo the Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) certification process. This requirement must be met prior to bid opening. Brokers are exempt from this requirement.

The Fresh Produce Audit Verification Program can be accessed at the following website:
<https://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/fpbgapghp.htm>

In order to verify that the contractor is in compliance with GAP/GHP certification, contractors are required to:

- a. Submit a list of all certified GAP/GHP suppliers to be used in the performance of the contract with their bid, including a copy of each supplier's certification. Certifications must be uploaded with their bids in WBSCM;
- b. Contact USDA/AMS after contract award to request that additional GAP/GHP certified suppliers be added to the approved list on the purchase order and include a copy of each supplier's certification;

If USDA/AMS finds that suppliers used by the contractor are not in compliance with AMS GAP/GHP certification requirements after the product is delivered, the following courses of action will apply:

1. The first time non compliance occurs AMS will deduct a 50% discount from the invoice for all noncompliant deliveries

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2. The second time non compliance occurs:

- a. USDA/AMS will deduct a 50% discount from the invoice for all noncompliant deliveries;
- b. The contract will be terminated for default; and
- c. The contractor will be suspended from participating in all future USDA/AMS fresh fruit and vegetable solicitations for a period of one (1) year from the date of contract termination.

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. Also, note that each lot for the split shipments must have the same price.

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.

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 2014; Commodity Specification for Bulk Products for Further Processing dated August 2012, as amended; 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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632-9992 (Toll-free Customer Service), (800)877-8339 (Local or Federal relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay voice users)

See attached documents:

- 1 . BULK PRODUCTS AMENDMENT NO 2 MAY 2013
- 2 . BULK PRODUCTS AMENDMENT NO1 JUNE 2012
- 3 . BULK PRODUCTS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING AUG 2012
- 4 . AMS MASTER SOLICITATION APRIL 2014
- 5 . 2000002811 Amendment 01
- 6 . 2000002811 Amendment 02

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
 - 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).

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

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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 IT?

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	
10 VEGETABLE, FRESH						
20 POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ						
30 CALDWELL ID						
40	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	83605	2,020,000	LB
50	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	83605	2,520,000	LB
60	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	83605	1,600,000	LB
70	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	83605	2,340,000	LB
80	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	83605	1,780,000	LB
90	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	83605	1,320,000	LB
100	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	83605	1,400,000	LB
110	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	83605	840,000	LB
120	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	83605	480,000	LB
130	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	83605	360,000	LB
140	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	83605	400,000	LB
150 EASTON ME						
160	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	04740	8,960,000	LB
170	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	04740	2,880,000	LB
180	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	04740	4,800,000	LB
190	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	04740	5,760,000	LB
200	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	04740	2,960,000	LB
210	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	04740	4,040,000	LB
220	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	04740	2,560,000	LB
230	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	04740	2,200,000	LB
240	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	04740	3,880,000	LB
250	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	04740	2,720,000	LB

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260	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	04740	5,040,000	LB
270 JAMESTOWN ND						
280	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	58401	920,000	LB
290	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	58401	1,440,000	LB
300	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	58401	400,000	LB
310	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	58401	280,000	LB
320	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	58401	80,000	LB
330	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	58401	40,000	LB
340	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	58401	40,000	LB
350 CONNELL WA						
360	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	99326	4,240,000	LB
370	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	99326	2,840,000	LB
380	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	99326	2,560,000	LB
390	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	99326	2,520,000	LB
400	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	99326	4,160,000	LB
410	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	99326	3,560,000	LB
420	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	99326	1,920,000	LB
430	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	99326	2,760,000	LB
440	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	99326	800,000	LB
450	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	99326	1,280,000	LB
460	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	99326	1,200,000	LB
470 PASCO WA						
480	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	99301	520,000	LB
490	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	99301	440,000	LB
500	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	99301	280,000	LB
510	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	99301	40,000	LB
520 PLOVER WI						
530	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	54467	4,160,000	LB
540	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	54467	2,720,000	LB
550	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	54467	4,260,000	LB
560	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	54467	2,540,000	LB
570	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	54467	1,440,000	LB
580	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	54467	1,680,000	LB
590	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	54467	840,000	LB
600	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	54467	1,200,000	LB
610	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	54467	960,000	LB

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620	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	54467	880,000	LB
630	100506	POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	54467	800,000	LB
Total Quantity for POTATO BULK FOR PROCESS FRZ					114660,000	LB

640 POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK

650 BLACKFOOT ID

660	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	83221	2,600,000	LB
670	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	83221	1,240,000	LB
680	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	83221	2,040,000	LB
690	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	83221	1,400,000	LB
700	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	83221	1,240,000	LB
710	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	83221	1,800,000	LB
720	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	83221	920,000	LB
730	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	83221	1,080,000	LB
740	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	02/16/2015-02/28/2015	83221	880,000	LB
750	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	83221	600,000	LB
760	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	03/16/2015-03/31/2015	83221	880,000	LB

770 IDAHO FALLS ID

780	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	83402	774,000	LB
790	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	83402	185,000	LB
800	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	83402	760,000	LB
810	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	83402	760,000	LB
820	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	83402	240,000	LB

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		PRD-BULK				
830	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	83402	520,000	LB
840	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	83402	80,000	LB
850	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	02/01/2015-02/15/2015	83402	120,000	LB
860	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	83402	20,000	LB
870 WINNEMUCCA NV						
880	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	89445	80,000	LB
890 MOSES LAKE WA						
900	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/01/2014-10/15/2014	98837	263,000	LB
910	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	10/16/2014-10/31/2014	98837	240,000	LB
920	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/01/2014-11/15/2014	98837	120,000	LB
930	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	11/16/2014-11/30/2014	98837	320,000	LB
940	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	12/01/2014-12/15/2014	98837	160,000	LB
950	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/01/2015-01/15/2015	98837	400,000	LB
960	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	01/16/2015-01/31/2015	98837	40,000	LB
970	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	03/01/2015-03/15/2015	98837	40,000	LB
		Total Quantity for POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK			19,802,000	LB
1050 SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC						
1060 DELHI LA						
1070	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	11/13/2014-11/15/2014	71232	860,000	LB
1080	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	11/28/2014-11/30/2014	71232	360,000	LB
1090	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	12/13/2014-12/15/2014	71232	440,000	LB
1100 GRAND FORKS ND						
1110	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	11/13/2014-11/15/2014	58203	360,000	LB

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1120	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	11/28/2014-11/30/2014	58203	220,000	LB
1130	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	12/13/2014-12/15/2014	58203	80,000	LB
1140	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	12/29/2014-12/31/2014	58203	40,000	LB
1150 PLOVER WI						
1160	100980	SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC	10/13/2014-10/15/2014	54467	40,000	LB
Total Quantity for SWEET POTATO BULK FRESH PROC					2,400,000	LB
Total Quantity for Invitation					136862,000	LB

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Action	Item	Material	Description	Type
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See comments in the amendment header text for specific details.

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Action	Item	Material	Description	Type
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DELETE	980		PLOVER WI	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	990	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	1000	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	1010	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	1020	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	1030	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item
DELETE	1040	110227	POTATO FOR PROCESS INTO DEHY PRD-BULK	Bid/Offer item



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