

**United States Department of Agriculture**  
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Washington, DC 20036

## Information

Description: **12-3J14-24-B-0093**  
Bid invitation number: **2000009722**  
Purchasing Group: **AMS-Livestock**

## SOLICITATION

### Domestic Commodity Invitation

#### Bid invitation Overview

Bid Timezone: Central Time  
Start Date: 11/22/2023 16:00:00  
Offer Due Date : 12/11/2023 13:00:00  
  
Opening date: 12/11/2023 13:00:00  
  
Invitation Type : Definite Delivery

#### Additional requested information:

##### Tendering text - Header :

CATFISH PRODUCTS, SOLICITATION 12-3J14-24-B-0093 WBSCM NO: 2000009722

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Catfish Products pursuant to the AMS Master Solicitation for use in the domestic food distribution programs. Bids are due on December 11, 2023. Acceptances will be announced by 11:59 pm CT on December 18, 2023. Deliveries are to be made between February 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024.

The Contract Specialist for this solicitation is Kevin Day (Kevin.Day@USDA.gov) and the Contracting Officer is Glenn Reid (Glenn.Reid@USDA.gov). Any questions or concerns regarding this solicitation should be addressed to the specialist first.

Material 100201 is a hundred percent (100%) Small Business Set Aside - See FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Small Business Set-Aside. NAICS Code 311611 - Business size 1,000 employees or less apply to this requirement.

Material 110390 is a hundred percent (100%) Small Business Set Aside - See FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Small Business Set-Aside. NAICS Code 311611 - Business size 1,000 employees or less apply to this requirement.

\* \* For a new -to-USDA contractor and existing contractors bidding on new products, a probationary period will be implemented in which awards are limited to 10 truckloads per product. Contractor must demonstrate successful delivery of at least five (5) truckloads of product 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. Any delivery problems directly attributable to the Government will not be held against the contractor.\* \*

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.

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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. Offshore destination ports: Guam (O-LA; Los Angeles, CA), Hawaii (O-LA; Los Angeles, CA), Puerto Rico (O-JACK; Jacksonville, FL) and Virgin Island (O-PEVE; Port Everglades, FL).

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.

The Government reserves the right to reject, in total or in part, manufacturers lots, sub-lots, production dates or the like when non-conforming product is identified.

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, must 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.

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

Inquiries about the Master Solicitation dated November 7, 2023, the Commodity Requirements Document for Supplement 511 Catfish Products, dated July 2022, 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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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)."

**See attached documents:**

- 1 . AMS Master Solicitation November 7, 2023
- 2 . Supplement 511 Catfish Products --July 2022

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

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

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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 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

The offeror has reviewed the List of Required Products for GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Reporting. Please see attached GS1 attribute question.

OFFEROR CERTIFIES THAT A FOOD DEFENSE PLAN EXISTS FOR ALL PLANTS AND SHIPPING POINTS PRIOR TO BID OPENING DATE OF LAST SURVEY

**Bid invitation Item details**

Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
<b>10 FISH, FROZEN</b>					
<b>20 CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB</b>					
<b>30 EAST POINT GA</b>					
40	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	06/01/2024-06/15/2024	30344	LB 38,000.000
<b>50 NAMPA ID</b>					
60	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	83687	LB 38,000.000
190	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	83687	LB 38,000.000
<b>70 KANSAS CITY MO</b>					
80	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	03/01/2024-03/15/2024	64161	LB 38,000.000
90	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	05/01/2024-05/15/2024	64161	LB

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Item	Material	Description	Required by	ZipCode	Quantity
					<b>38,000.000</b>
100	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	06/16/2024-06/30/2024	64161	LB
					<b>38,000.000</b>
200	110390	CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	64161	LB
					<b>114,000.000</b>
		<b>Total Quantity for CATFISH FLTS UNBRD RAW PKG-20/2 LB</b>			<b>LB</b>
					<b>342,000.000</b>
<b>110 CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB</b>					
<b>120 MEMPHIS TN</b>					
130	100201	CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB	02/16/2024-02/29/2024	38112	LB
					<b>40,000.000</b>
<b>140 HOUSTON TX</b>					
150	100201	CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	77095	LB
					<b>40,000.000</b>
<b>160 LOT: 2400001783 DENTON TX / LUBBOCK TX /</b>					
170	100201	CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	76207	LB
					<b>30,000.000</b>
180	100201	CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB	02/01/2024-02/15/2024	79404	LB
					<b>10,000.000</b>
		<b>Total Quantity for CATFISH STRIPS BRD OVN RDY PKG-4/10 LB</b>			<b>LB</b>
					<b>120,000.000</b>
		<b>Total Quantity for Invitation</b>			<b>LB</b>
					<b>462,000.000</b>



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