# United States Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Avenue,

S.W. # Room 3932-S Mailstop Code 0256 Washington, DC 20036

#### Information

Description: AG-PCHX-S-12-0111

Bid invitation number: 2000001248
Purchasing Group: AMS Poultry

## SOLICITATION Master/Shortfall Invitation

#### **Bid invitation Overview**

Bid Timezone: Central Time

Start Date: 08/17/2012 12:05:00 Offer Due Date : 08/31/2012 12:00:00

Opening date: 08/31/2012 12:00:00

Invitation Type: Master

## Additional requested information:

## Tendering text:

CHICKEN PRODUCTS, SOLICITATION NO: 2000001248

The U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests proposals to sell chicken products pursuant to the attached Request for Proposals(RFP) document for use in the federal food and nutrition assistance programs. Deliveries are to be made beginning November 1.

Interested offerors shall carefully read applicable documents and instructions located in the RFP document concerning the content, format, and submission of proposals. Offerors must ensure that the Contracting Officer receives technical information, management and workforce pratices and policies, past perfromance references, and pricing no later than 12:00 p.m. Central Time on Friday August 31, 2012. Awards will be announced by midnight September 30, 2012.

Questions regarding the solicitation shall be submitted in writing to Samantha.Rhoderick@ams.usda.gov.

Offerors shall submit proposals in four parts: Part 1- Technical Information, Part 2- Management and Workforce Practices and Policies, Part 3- Past Performance References, and Part 4- Price. The format for each proposal is described in the attached solicitation document. Each part must be complete within itself.

Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) will host a telephone conference call on August 21, at 10:00 a.m. Centeral 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 888-858-2144. The participant code for the call is 2757569#.

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.

If you are a new AMS vendor, or a returning vendor who has not participated in solicitations since the implementation of the Web-Based Supply Chain Management System (WBSCM), you are strongly urged to start the process of vendor registration and approval immediately, to avoid any issues with entering offers for this requirement.

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#### See attached documents:

- 1 . Chicken Parts Specification April 2012
- 2. RFP Document

#### 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).

OFFEROR IS 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. ANSWER THE NEXT 3 QUESTIONS ONLY IF THE ANSWER FOR THIS QUESTION IS YES.

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

OFFEROR HAS HAD ANY OFFICER OR AGENT OF OFFEROR CONVICTED OF A FELONY CRIMINAL

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OFFEROR DOESN#T HAVE ANY UNPAID FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY ASSESSED, FOR WHICH ALL JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED/LAPSED, THAT ISN#T BEING PAID IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING IT.

Bid invitation Item details										
	Item Material Description Quantity  10 CHICKEN, FROZEN									
20	110094	CHICKEN LEG QTR FRZ BAG-4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN LEG QTR FRZ BAG-4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						
30	110088	CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ PKG -4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ PKG -4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						
40	100879	CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
50	100105	CHICKEN LEG QTR CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN LEG QTR CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
60	110202	CHICKEN LEG QTRS TRAY FRZ PKG-9/4.5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN LEG QTRS TRAY FRZ PKG-9/4.5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
70	110092	CHICKEN LEG QTRS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN LEG QTRS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
80	110204	CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB						
90	100878	CHICKEN DRUMSTICK FRZ CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN DRUMSTICK FRZ CTN-40 LB	2,200,000	LB						
100	110087	CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ PKG-4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ PKG-4/10 LB	2,090,000	LB						

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Item	Material	Description	Quantity	_
110	110195	CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
110	110193	Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGHS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
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120	110201	CHICKEN DRUMS TRAY FRZ PKG-12/3 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN DRUMS TRAY FRZ PKG-12/3 LB	2,090,000	LB
130	100876	CHICKEN CONSUMER CUTUP FRZ CTN-12/3.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN CONSUMER CUTUP FRZ CTN-12/3.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
140	110154	CHICKEN CONSUMER SPLIT BREAST PKG-6/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN CONSUMER SPLIT BREAST PKG-6/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
150	110090	CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS FRZ PKG-8/5 LB	2,090,000	LB
160	100092	CHICKEN CONSUMER PACK CUT UP PKG-12/4 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN CONSUMER PACK CUT UP PKG-12/4 LB	2,090,000	LB
170	110010	CHICKEN CUT-UP FRZ BAGS 10/3.0-5.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN CUT-UP FRZ BAGS 10/3.0-5.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
180	110203	CHICKEN WHOLE BAGGED FRZ PKG-12/4 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN WHOLE BAGGED FRZ PKG-12/4 LB	2,090,000	LB
190	110041	CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ CTN-6/4.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for CHICKEN THIGH/DRUMSTICK FRZ CTN-6/4.5 LB	2,090,000	LB
		Total Quantity for Invitation	37,950,000	LB

Contracting Officer

James D Sprandel

Commodity Procurement Division

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