



**Please Note:** New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

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**FV-309**

**Fruit and Vegetable Programs**

**This Invitation is for Small Business Set-Aside only; see FAR 52.219-6 Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside.**

**Date Issued: October 14, 2004**

**Dry Legumes, Announcement FV-309, Invitation 005**

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dry legumes as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Friday, October 29, 2004.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight, **Wednesday, November 10, 2004.** Deliveries are to be made from January 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dry Beans, Great Northern	25-lb bag	1,600 cases
Dry Beans, Pinto	25-lb bag	17,600 cases

**All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.**

**All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.**

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-309; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Dry, Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils, dated April 2004; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World



Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-309, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

**Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (\*).**

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV309  
 INVITATION : 005  
 COMM GROUP : 42 LEGUMES, DRY  
 COMM TYPE : 25 BEANS, GREAT NORTHERN, DRY  
 PACK SIZE : 25 25 LB BAG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/05 - 01/15/05</b>					
001	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
<b>TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE</b>				<b>1,600</b>	

COMM TYPE : 30 BEANS, PINTO, DRY  
 PACK SIZE : 25 25 LB BAG

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<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/05 - 01/15/05</b>					
002	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
003	BROWNWOOD	TX		886	_____*
	EL PASO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	524	
	LUBBOCK	TX		190	
004	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
005	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
006	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/05 - 01/31/05</b>					
007	FORT WORTH	TX		1,600	_____
008	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX		1,600	_____

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<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/05 - 02/15/05</b>					
009	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
010	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	3,200	_____
<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/05 - 03/15/05</b>					
011	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,600	_____
<b>TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE</b>				<b>17,600</b>	
<b>TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION</b>				<b>19,200</b>	

  
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 Felicitas Lofton  
 Contracting Officer

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