

United States Department of Agriculture Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters). In addition, <u>all</u> Vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

FV-200

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service Date Issued: April 6, 2004

Washington, DC 20250

Canned Fruit, Announcement FV-200, Invitation 251

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition program and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, April 13, 2004. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Wednesday, April 21, 2004. Deliveries are to be made from May 16, 2004 to June 30, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Canned Fruit Cocktail

24/#300

17,820 cases

No offers will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

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 the special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

Vendors doing business with USDA are required to be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system before being awarded contracts. If the Offeror is not registered in the CCR database at the time of bid opening, offers will be deemed non-responsive.

Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Once a contract has been awarded, the Contractor shall not change the name or address for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments in the CCR record for the purpose of assignment of claims.

Offerors may obtain information on CCR registration and annual renewal requirements via the Internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.



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: <a href="http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes">http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes</a> which translates into a connection of <a href="https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?">https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?</a> 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-200, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated June 1999, 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 20250-9410, 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 will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-200, to the listed locations. 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 single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV200

INVITATION : 251

COMM GROUP : 30 FRUIT, CANNED

COMM TYPE : 17 FRUIT COCKTAIL, CANNED

PACK SIZE : 40 24/#300 CAN

|                                     | NO   | DESTINATION CITY | ST    | RESTR         | (CSE)  | (CSE) |     |
|-------------------------------------|------|------------------|-------|---------------|--------|-------|-----|
|                                     | DELI | VERY PERIOD 05/  | 16/0  | 04 - 05/31/04 |        |       |     |
|                                     | 001  | CENTRAL ISLIP    | NY    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | **  |
|                                     | 002  | NASHVILLE        | TN    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | -   |
|                                     | 003  | KANSAS CITY      | MO    |               | 1,620  |       | - : |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/04 - 06/15/04 |      |                  |       |               |        |       |     |
|                                     | 004  | ALBUQUERQUE      | NM    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | -   |
|                                     | 005  | GALLUP           | NM    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  | ·     | -   |
|                                     | 006  | KANSAS CITY      | MO    |               | 1,620  | :     | -   |
|                                     | 007  | HELENA           | MT    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | -   |
|                                     | 800  | FARGO            | ND    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | -   |
|                                     | 009  | GARDEN GROVE     | CA    | TRUCK ONLY    | 1,620  |       | _   |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 06/16/04 - 06/30/04 |      |                  |       |               |        |       |     |
|                                     | 010  | CARTHAGE         | MO    |               | 1,620  |       | -   |
|                                     | 011  | KANSAS CITY      | MO    |               | 1,620  |       | -   |
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