United States

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OFFER TO BUY: Fruit and Vegetable Products

The Department of Agriculture announced it is planning to purchase 38 fruit and vegetable products for distribution to Needy Family and related domestic food assistance programs for Fiscal Year 2005, according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

The anticipated purchases will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-todestination price basis. Deliveries will be required from October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004.

Products, container sizes, and approximate quantities sought are as follows:

| PRODUCT | CONTAINER SIZE | U.S. GRADE | NO CASES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Apple Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 122,808 |
| Grape Juice, Ctn | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 18,000 |
| Grape Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 13,328 |
| Grapefruit Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 14,280 |
| Pineapple Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 25,920 |
| Orange Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 61,880 |
| Tomato Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | A | 35,224 |
| Cranberry Apple Juice, Cnd | 12/46 fl. oz. | Per C.I.D. | 90,440 |
| Apple Sauce, Cnd | 24/300 | A | 98,820 |
| Plums, Cnd | 24/300 | B | 11,340 |
| Dry, Blackeye Beans | 12/2 lb. | No. 1 | 18,480 |
| Dry, Lima Beans | $12 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. | No. 1 | 15,120 |
| Dry, Grt. Northern Beans | $12 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. | No. 1 | 40,320 |
| Dry, Pinto Beans | $12 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. | No. 1 | 84,000 |
| Dry,Lt. Red Kidney Beans | $12 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. | No. 1 | 47,040 |
| Green Beans, Cnd | 24/300 | B | 165,240 |
| Carrots, Cnd | 24/300 | A | 19,440 |
| Corn Cream, Cnd | 24/300 | B | 30,780 |
| Sweet Potatoes, Cnd | 24/300 | A | 12,240 |
| Pumpkin, Cnd | 24/300 | A | 6,480 |
| Spinach, Cnd | 24/300 | A | 6,460 |

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|  | CONTAINER | U.S. GRADE | NO CASES |
|  | SIZE |  |  |
| Tomato Soup Cnd | $24 / 1$ | Per C.I.D. | 24,200 |
| Tomatoes, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | B | 51,840 |
| Tomatoes, Diced, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | B | 9,720 |
| Tomato Sauce, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | A | 44,370 |
| Potatoes, Sliced, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | A | 53,550 |
| Spaghetti Sauce, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | Per C.I.D. | 110,160 |
| Vegetarian Beans, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | A | 21,420 |
| Blackeye Beans, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | A | 22,950 |
| Light Red Kidney Beans, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | A | 1,530 |
| Refried Beans, Cnd | $24 / 300$ | No. 2 | 41,310 |
| Dehydrated Potatoes | $12 / 1 \mathrm{lb}$. | Per USDA | 57,500 |
| Syrup, Corn | $12 / 24 \mathrm{oz}$. | Per USDA | 15,972 |
| Raisins | $24 / 15 \mathrm{oz}$ | B | 1,728 |

PLEASE NOTE: This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be sent to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. Room 2546 - South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

