



**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-responsible.**

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FV-320

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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

Date Issued: August 20, 2004

Miscellaneous Products, Announcement FV-320, Invitation 011.

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell miscellaneous products as indicated below and per the Announcement for donation to the Child Nutrition Program. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Friday, August 27, 2004**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight **Thursday September 2, 2004**. Deliveries are to be made from September 16, 2004 thru October 31, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

**Fresh Potatoes for Processing                      Bulk-(40,000 lbs.)    20,760,000 lbs.**

**POTATOES FOR PROCESSING**

1. Grade – U.S. No. 2 Processing or better
2. Pack – Bulk
3. Size – Whole potatoes shall not be less than 1 ½ inches in diameter, or useable pieces shall be not less than 4 ounces in weight.
4. Varieties shall include: Shepody, Ranger, Umatilla, Russet Burbank and Altura
5. The grade requirement referred herein are defined in the United States Standards for Grades of Potatoes for Processing effective on the date of the invitation
6. Sugar or Sugar end content criteria – Based on individual processors specifications
7. Specific Gravity Specification – Based on individual processors specifications

Loading tolerance of product – 40,000 lbs. net minimum.

- *Inspection and certification – documentation is required to support that the product is U.S. grown.*
- *Product may be inspected at the point of delivery.*

**For payment purposes, ensure that all documentation is included as provided in Announcement FV320, Section X. Invoices and Payments**

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. 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-320, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Miscellaneous Products dated June 2003, 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 will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-320, 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.

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 INVITATION : 011  
 COMM GROUP : 89 MISC PROD BULK  
 COMM TYPE : 20 POTATOES-BULK  
 PACK SIZE : 90 BULK

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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**DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/04 - 09/30/04**

001	CALDWELL	ID		720,000
002	CALDWELL	ID		560,000
003	TWIN FALLS	ID		1,840,000
004	TWIN FALLS	ID		280,000
005	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	2,200,000
006	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	960,000

**DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/04 - 10/15/04**

007	CALDWELL	ID		1,720,000
008	TWIN FALLS	ID		1,880,000
009	TWIN FALLS	ID		440,000
010	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,280,000
011	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,720,000

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**DELIVERY PERIOD 10/16/04 - 10/31/04**

012	FORT ATKINSON	WI	TRUCK ONLY	520,000
013	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	2,000,000
014	TWIN FALLS	ID		1,640,000
015	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	240,000
016	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,840,000

**DELIVERY PERIOD 10/16/04 - 10/31/04**

017	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	920,000
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**TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 20,760,000**

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 Suzanne Rigby  
 Contracting Officer

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