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Please Note:
New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, 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.

FV-207

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: February 20, 2004

Dried Fruit, Announcement FV-207, Invitation 089

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dried fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to schools and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central time, Friday, February 27, 2004**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, March 5, 2004. Deliveries are to be made from April 1, 2004 through June 30, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dried Cherries	8/2 lb.	25,872 cases
Dried Cherries	4/4 lb.	66,528 cases

- **The product must be 100% grown, processed and packed in the United States from the 2003 or later crop year.**
- **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**
- **No offers will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**
- **Manufacturer's own commercially packaged and labeled product is acceptable as long as it meets all of the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration and contains an identification code that allows for traceability of the product.**



- On “BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY” destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.

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 within 48 hours after 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: <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-207, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated November 1999 (amended), 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 to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-207, 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 a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV207
 INVITATION : 089
 COMM GROUP : 35 FRUITS, DRIED

COMM TYPE : 70 CHERRIES, DRIED
 PACK SIZE : 10 8/2 LB

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/04 - 04/15/04

001	CONCORD	MA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
002	ASHLAND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	548	
	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	486	
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	814	
	SPRINGFIELD	VA		1,848	
	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	571	
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	1,277	
	INDEPENDENCE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	FARGO	ND	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	924	
	NATIONAL CITY	CA		924	

DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/04 - 05/15/04

	CENTRAL ISLIP	NY	TRUCK ONLY	924	**
	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	924	

DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/04 - 06/15/04

	SPRINGFIELD	VA		1,848	
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	ALBANY	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,232	**
	BINGHAMTON	NY		616	
	AUBURN	NY	TRUCK ONLY	924	**
	HOLLEY	NY		924	
012	MALONE	NY	TRUCK ONLY	462	
	MILTON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,386	
	CHEEKTOWAGA	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,386	**
	UTICA	NY	TRUCK ONLY	462	
	CONCORDIA	KS	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	

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	LINCOLN	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	BALTIMORE	MD	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	SUNBURY	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	MIAMI PLANTATIO	FL		1,848	

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	WINTER HAVEN	FL		1,848	
	LA GRANGE	KY		1,848	
	CHELSEA	MA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	11,088	
	ELMIRA	MI		1,348	
	KALAMAZOO	MI	TRUCK ONLY	500	
	HARTFORD	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	ELMIRA	MI		1,136	
	WYOMING	MI	TRUCK ONLY	712	
028	ANGOLA	LA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	FRESNO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	

DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/04 - 04/30/04

	RALEIGH	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	

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	ELK RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	3,696	
DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/04 - 06/15/04					
	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	EMMETT	ID		1,848	
DELIVERY PERIOD 06/16/04 - 06/30/04					
	RALEIGH	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	
038	LINCOLN	NE		1,848	
	FOREST GROVE	OR		1,848	
	KENT	WA		5,544	
	KENT	WA		924	
	SPOKANE	WA		924	
042	SPOKANE	WA		1,848	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				92,400	

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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 92,400



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Contracting Officer

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