

# INVITATION TO BID

State of Ohio  
Department of Administrative Services  
General Services Division  
Office of Procurement Services

The Original Signed Bid must be submitted to the Office of Procurement Services to receive consideration for award.		BIDDER NAME	
BID NUMBER	OPENING DATE (1:00 p.m.)	STREET ADDRESS <input type="checkbox"/> Check if remit address is different and list on separate sheet	
OT902716	August 21, 2015	CITY STATE ZIP	
General Services Division Office of Procurement Services 4200 Surface Road Columbus, OH 43228-1395 Attn: Bid Desk		COUNTY	MBE/EDGE CERTIFICATE NUMBER
		TELEPHONE NO. ( )	TOLL FREE NO. 1 - ( )
		CONTACT PERSON	FAX NO. ( )
REQ./INDEX NO. EDU018	BID NOTICE DATE August 6, 2015	CONTRACTOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS	

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In addition to the standard terms for payment, the payment terms for state agency(ies) will be 2%, 10 Days, Net 30 Days unless otherwise stated in the following space. If no discount is offered, bidder should circle "Net 30 Days". \_\_\_\_\_%, \_\_\_\_\_ Days, Net 30 Days

**PARTICIPATING AGENCY(IES):** DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CHILD NUTRITION, 25 SOUTH FRONT STREET, THIRD FLOOR, COLUMBUS, OH 43215

THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES, IS SOLICITING BIDS FOR:

**BEEF PATTY WITH SOY, PROCESSED USING USDA COMMODITY COARSE GROUND BEEF**

**TERM OF CONTRACT:** This Invitation to Bid is to establish a requirements contract to procure the described supplies or services on behalf of the above participating agency(ies). The agency(ies) may place orders against the Contract beginning 09/01/2015 or upon the date when DAS signs the Contract, whichever is later in time. The Contract will expire 06/30/2016 unless DAS terminates the Contract based upon reasons set forth in Article I-C of the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions. No agencies may place purchase orders against the Contract beyond the expiration date unless DAS renews the Contract by amendment. The Contractor may begin performance under the Contract only upon receipt of a valid order from a participating agency.

[INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS AND CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS](#), Revised 10/2013, are a part of this Invitation to Bid. Copies may be downloaded by clicking the link above. All prior versions of Instructions to Bidders, Contract Terms and Conditions are null and void.

By submitting this Invitation to Bid, the Contractor certifies that Contractor has truthfully disclosed the location(s) where all services are to be performed; the location(s) where all applicable State contract data is to be maintained or made available; and the principal location of business for the Contractor and all subcontractors. The Contractor further certifies and acknowledges that Contractor will not change the country of the location(s) where services are performed and will not change the country of the location(s) where data is maintained or made available without prior written consent of the State.

**INQUIRIES:** All inquiries should be submitted a minimum of five (5) working days prior to the bid opening date through the Procurement website, [www.procure.ohio.gov](http://www.procure.ohio.gov). Click "Find it Fast," select "Doc/Bid/Schedule#" in Step 1, enter the Bid Number in Step 2, click "Find it Fast." The "Submit Inquiry" button is at the bottom of the Opportunity Detail page. Bidders will not receive a personalized e-mail response to their question, nor will they receive notification when the question is answered. Responses may be viewed by clicking the "View Q & A" button located beneath the "Submit Inquiry" button.

	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (ORIGINAL SIGNATURE ONLY) (Please sign in blue ink)	DATE
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The ORIGINAL signed Bid must be submitted to the Office of Procurement Services by 1:00 o'clock p.m., on the above listed opening date to receive consideration for award. It is requested that the Bidder NOT sign their bid in BLACK ink. BIDDER CERTIFIES, by signature affixed to its bid, that the information provided by it in its bid including the certified statements, is accurate and complete. Bidder declares to have read and understood and agrees to be bound by all of the instructions, terms, conditions and specifications of this Invitation to Bid and agrees to fulfill the requirements of any awarded contract at the prices bid.



SPECIAL CONTRACT TERMS & CONDITIONS

AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The following Amendments to the Contract Terms and Conditions do hereby become a part hereof. In the event that an amendment conflicts with the Contract Terms and Conditions, the Amendment will prevail.

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM: The State is committed to making more State contracts and opportunities available to minority business enterprises (MBE) certified by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services pursuant to Section 123.151 of the Ohio Revised Code and Rule 123:2-15-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This Invitation to Bid contains a sheltered solicitation requirement, which encourages the Bidder to seek and set aside a portion of the work to be exclusively performed by Ohio certified MBE businesses. For more information regarding Ohio MBE certification requirements, including a list of Ohio certified MBE businesses, please visit the DAS Equal Opportunity Division web site at:

<http://das.ohio.gov/Divisions/EqualOpportunity/MBEEDGECertification/tabid/134/default.aspx>

To search for Ohio certified MBE businesses, utilize the following search routine published on the DAS Equal Opportunity Division website:

1. Select "Locate MBE Certified Providers" as the EOD Search Area selection;
2. Select "MBE Certified Providers" link;
3. On the subsequent screen select "All Procurement Types" as a search criterion;
4. Select "Search"; and
5. A list of Ohio MBE Certified Service Providers will be displayed.

In seeking solicitations from Ohio certified MBE businesses, the Bidder must:

1. Utilize a competitive process to which only Ohio certified MBEs may respond;
2. Have established criteria by which prospective Ohio MBEs will be evaluated including business ability and specific experience related to the Project requirements; and
3. Require the Ohio certified MBE maintain a valid certification throughout the term of the Contract, including any renewals.

POST-AWARD IDENTIFICATION OF OHIO CERTIFIED MBE SUBCONTRACTOR AND AGENCY REQUIRED MINIMUM FIFTEEN PERCENT: Bidders who meets the minimum set aside percentage of the cost of its total bid will be deemed responsive. Bidders who do not meet the minimum set aside percentage may be deemed non-responsive.

TRACKING: After the award of the contract but prior to the commencement of any subcontractor work, the Contactor(s) must submit the names of selected Ohio certified MBE subcontractors to the Agency. Contractor(s) shall indicate on all invoices submitted to the Agency the dollar amount attributed to the work provided by selected Ohio certified MBE subcontractors along with documentation of the Ohio certified MBE subcontractors' activities. Contractor(s) shall report all Ohio certified MBE subcontractor payments under this Contract to the Agency. Compliance with Contractor(s) proposed set-aside percentage is a term of this contract and failure to attain the selected percentage by the expiration of the contract may result in the Contractor being found in breach of contract.

DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE: Purchase orders for any item(s) listed in a contract awarded pursuant to this bid will be placed directly with the successful contractor by the using agency. Product will be processed and delivered within one (1) month (per one [1] truckload of commodity) of receipt of commodity or as mutually agreed by the contractor and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and, in accordance with Article S-2 of the Supplemental Contract Terms and Conditions. Deliveries shall be made to the following Ohio sites. The delivery location will be noted on the purchase order issued by the participating agency. All shipments are to be one stop composite truckloads, with the exception of the final delivery, which may require a partial load to each site at no additional charge to the state. Unloading is by appointment only. The contractor shall contact the cold storage facilities to make an appointment for unloading prior to loading for shipment. The percentage of total product to be delivered to each location is also provided. The state reserves the right to add, delete, or change distribution centers and/or percentage of usage during the course of the contract. Acceptance (transfer of title) will occur upon the inspection and written confirmation by the ordering agency that the supplies delivered conform to the requirements set forth in the Contract. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, acceptance shall be conclusive except in regards to latent defects, fraud, or such gross mistakes as amount to fraud.

<u>CITY</u>	<u>WAREHOUSE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME OF TOTAL PRODUCT</u>
Dayton, Ohio	Fre-Flo Distribution, Inc./Terminal Cold Storage	50%
Columbus, Ohio	Net PAC International LLC	25%
Cleveland, Ohio	Fre-Flo Distribution, Inc./SYSCO Foodservice	25%

TRANSPORTATION CHARGES: Any item(s) ordered from a contract awarded pursuant to this bid shall be shipped F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid to the three (3) cold storage facilities listed above or any other cold storage facilities that ODE designates in the state of Ohio. Commodity will be delivered to the contractor by the USDA, F.O.B. Destination.

**PAYMENT:** Shall be in accordance with Article III.B. of Contract Terms and Conditions with the following exception. Payments will be due on the 90th calendar day rather than the 30th calendar day. If payment terms are listed on the invoice to the Ohio Department of Education, it must be consistent with the terms in the contract. This 90<sup>th</sup> calendar day payment term will supersede the payment term listed on page one of the bid. By signing page one of the bid, bidder is in acknowledgement of the 90<sup>th</sup> calendar day payment term.

#### DOCUMENTATION

1. The bidder should submit a narrative of their processing and fabrication procedures as part of the bid response for all product to be produced under this contract. The processing and fabrication procedures are to describe the product and the exact method of processing.
2. **Commodity Food Processing Agreement:** The successful contractor shall complete and sign an Ohio processing agreement prior to the inception date of any ensuing contract. The processing agreement will be provided by the Department of Education (ODE), Office for Child Nutrition (OCN) and is the authority to process USDA commodity foods and adherence to its contents is mandatory. Failure to complete and return this document prior to inception date of any ensuing contract may result in immediate cancellation from contract.

Attachment A to the bid, page 11, of the processing agreement is 'Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions' (Form AD-10-48 [11/97]). This page of the agreement only should be submitted as part of the bid response.

Processor shall furnish to Department of Education a surety bond obtained only from a surety company listed in the U.S. Department of Treasury Circular 570, "Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds", an irrevocable letter of credit, or an escrow account. Such bond, letter of credit, or escrow account shall be made payable to the Department of Education. The bond shall guarantee that the processor shall faithfully account for, return, or pay for all of the Commodity Food received or carried forward, in accordance with the processing agreement.

Inventory protection is required by the Department of Education prior to the delivery of commodity food to the processor. The minimum amount of the bond, letter or credit or escrow account, shall be determined by: value of the commodity food on order minus anticipated usage rate during the processing Agreement period. The bond shall remain in effect until all commodity food is properly accounted for, paid for or returned in accordance with the processing agreement. Liability for loss is provided in Article 18 of the processing agreement.

3. **Quality Control/Total Quality Control:** Prior to contract inception, the contractor shall submit to the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), Office of Child Nutrition (OCN) a narrative of the quality control or total quality control program at the processing plant. The narrative of the quality control or total quality control program is not to be submitted as part of the bid response.
4. **Nutritional Analysis:** As part of the bid response, the bidder should submit a nutritional analysis for all finished products proposed to be processed for the ODE, OCN.

#### PRODUCT SAMPLES:

A sample of product offered is required. A sample shall consist of two (2) cases of Beef Patties with Soy and must include instructions for cooking or preparation. Product samples shall meet all requirements as specified herein and shall bear required labeling and markings. Samples shall be certified by the processor's quality control department as meeting the specifications contained herein. Certification shall be in form of a letter on company letterhead, signed by authorized company representative.

Samples must be submitted prior to 1:00 pm on Friday, August 21, 2015 to the address shown below. Failure to submit samples as specified will result in the bidder being deemed as not responsive.

Ohio Department of Education  
Ohio Office for Child Nutrition  
c/o Terminal Cold Storage  
20-60 Eaker Road  
Dayton, Ohio 45402  
Telephone: (937) 223-3138 ext. 10  
Attn: Cindy Watkins

#### DELIVERY APPOINTMENT FOR SAMPLE SUBMISSION

Bidders must call to obtain delivery appointments from Terminal Cold Storage at (937) 223-3138 Ext. 10, or provide at least a 24-hour notification prior to shipping all bid products to the warehouse. The bidder (or shipper of bidder's product) shall provide advance information to the warehouse that include the bidder's company name, product bid Contract Number (OT902716), Index number (EDU018), a short description or name of the product and the number of cases to be delivered. Bid sample products for which prior delivery appointments or notification have not been secured in advance of shipment may not be accepted by the warehouse.

EVALUATION: Bids will be evaluated in accordance with Article I-17 of the "Instructions to Bidders". In addition, the state will evaluate the bid according to the fee per pound for processing offered on the bid.

There will be a taste test of the samples submitted to determine acceptability. There will be, at a minimum, a ten (10) member panel composed of members of ODE Commodity Advisory Board and /or K4-12 students in Ohio. Samples will be evaluated for appearance, color, aroma, flavor (taste), and texture. If product sample is deemed unacceptable as a result of the taste test, no further consideration for award shall be given. If the product sample submitted for the taste test exceeds the specifications, as stated in the bid and is presented as being the end product for the entire contract, then the sample shall be the standard for the entire contract with anticipated yields as projected and costs as stated.

CONTRACT AWARD: The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder meeting all bid specifications and requirements.

Third Party Administration

The Ohio Department of Education may notify the Contractor at any time that communication, administration, management, or any other function or responsibility of Ohio Department of Education have been, will be, or may be assigned to a third party for the duration or any other portion of the contract. Rights and responsibilities of the Contractor to any third party assignee of the Ohio Department of Education shall be congruent to the rights and responsibilities of the Contractor to the Ohio Department of Education itself, unless otherwise excepted by agreement or law.

USAGE REPORTS: Every six (6) months the contractor must submit a report (written or on disk) indicating sales generated by this contract. The report shall list usage by customer, by line item, showing the quantities/dollars generated by this contract. The report shall be forwarded to the Office of Procurement Services, 4200 Surface Road, Columbus, Ohio 43228-1395, Attn: Senthana Mahendrarasa.

BILL TO ADDRESS:

Department of Education  
Office of Child Nutrition  
25 South Front Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

All invoices must be submitted via email to: [Fiscal.managment@education.ohio.gov](mailto:Fiscal.managment@education.ohio.gov)

SPECIFICATION

I. SCOPE AND CLASSIFICATION

A. Scope

The purpose of this bid is to obtain a contractor to process United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) commodity Coarse Ground Beef, Material Code 100154 (A594) into Fully Cooked Beef Patties with Soy for the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), Office for Child Nutrition (OCN). It is anticipated that the USDA will make available a minimum of 1,000,000 lbs. of coarse ground beef to the state of Ohio annually and that 1,000,000 lbs. will be processed annually under any ensuing contract. Quantity specified is based on anticipated product availability from the USDA and the state of Ohio is not obligated to request processing in these or any other quantity. Beef will be delivered to the contractor and the contractor shall process product and deliver finished product to the three (3) cold storage facilities specified herein, or to other facility that ODE may enter into contract with for the provision of similar service. Bid pricing (fee for processing per pound of finished product) shall include all transportation charges, cost of USDA certification service, and any other costs associated with providing the specified product (with the exception of the freight cost associated with moving product from the facility of the current contractor). Any contract issued pursuant to this bid shall be for one (1) year, from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

B. Classification

1. Beef Patties with Soy, Fully Cooked, Charbroiled, Frozen

II. REQUIREMENTS

A. USDA Commodity Description

1. USDA Commodity Coarse Ground Beef, Frozen, Material Code 100154 (A594)
2. Maximum Fat Content: 18.99%
3. Ground through a plate having holes no larger than 1" and no smaller than 5/8"
4. Packaged in 60 lb. fiberboard shipping containers

B. End Product Description

1. Beef Patties with Soy, Fully Cooked, Charbroiled, Frozen

a. Formulation

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>Percentage/Batch</u>
USDA coarse ground beef	80.00% minimum
Water	13.0% maximum
Textured Soy Protein (TSP, not including soy flour)	6.50% maximum
Seasonings (Example: salt, onion powder, spices, etc.)	4.0% maximum

- b. The fully cooked beef patties with soy shall be prepared from USDA commodity coarse ground beef according to the above formulation. The beef patties shall have a firm and moist texture as well as irregular home-style shape giving the appearance of being hand formed. The beef patties shall have a cooked diameter of 3-7/8", +/- 1/8". The beef patties shall be cooked to an internal temperature of 155° F. for a minimum of sixteen (16) seconds. The beef patties shall have charbroiled lines applied. Lines are not to be painted on. Once cooking is completed, beef patties shall be individually quick frozen (IQF) and boxed.
- c. The beef patties shall contain natural flavorings to protect the flavor. The beef patties shall contain textured soy protein (TSP) only. Seasonings shall be blended into the meat mixture giving the patties a characteristic flame-broiled flavor.
- d. Product must not contain monosodium glutamate (MSG).

SPECIFICATION (Cont'd.)

- e. Each fully cooked beef patty shall have a net weight of 2.4 oz. +/-0.1 oz. No beef patty shall have a net weight of less than 2.30 oz. Each fully cooked beef patty shall provide 2.0 oz. equivalent Meat/Meat Alternative (M/MA) for the child nutrition meal pattern requirements and must not contain more than 105mg of sodium per oz. of finished product or 252mg per 2.4 oz. serving size.

C. Preparation and Processing

All preparation and processing described herein shall occur subsequent to the date of award. The product shall be produced, processed, and stored in plants regularly operating under the supervision of a representative of the USDA, AMS, Livestock & Seed Division. Quality assurance and specification requirements for the specified item shall be determined by the USDA, AMS, Livestock & Seed Division in accordance with USDA procedures.

D. USDA Certification

1. As part of Option 2 coverage, the product shall be produced under USDA Process Control Certification Program (PCCP).
2. All product must be examined and accepted by a USDA, AMS, Livestock & Seed Division grader prior to delivery. The contractor shall arrange and pay for the necessary USDA service.
3. A USDA, AMS, Livestock & Seed Division grading certificate shall accompany each shipment of product, showing that the product was produced under continuous USDA supervision, is in sound condition, and meets the specification requirements. Product not accompanied by a grading certificate will be rejected, shall remain the property of the contractor, and shall be returned at contractor's expense.
4. Each case shall be stamped with the USDA contract compliance stamp and the certificate number. Product not identified with the contract compliance stamp will be rejected, shall remain the property of the contractor, and shall be returned at contractor's expense.
5. All further processed products, prior to final packaging, shall be examined by a metal detector device capable of detecting metals that may be present. Sensitivity levels and testing for acceptable operation shall be as specified in procedures established by the USDA, AMS, Livestock & Seed Division.

- E. Packaging: Product shall be bulk packed in shipping cartons with clear plastic liners. Case weight shall be 20-40 lbs., with all case weights being uniform. Case weights outside the weight range specified will not be acceptable. Please indicate case weight offered on bid pricing page.

1. General

- a. All packaging and packing materials must be new and clean, and must not impart objectionable odors or flavors to the product.
- b. Bags shall be securely closed. Metal wire ties, metal clips, paper-coated wire ties, or staples shall not be used for sealing plastic-film bags.
- c. Staples shall not be used as a final case closure. Case closure shall be accomplished by taping, strapping, or gluing. All boxes within the delivery unit of an individual product shall be of a uniform size and weight.
- d. Boxes shall be one piece, die-cut, regular slotted container (RSC) design. Fiberboard shall be testing not less than 200 lbs. No holes in boxes are permitted. Shipping cartons shall have necessary interior support to prevent crushing of product while in transit or in storage.

F. Labeling

1. The contribution value of a serving to the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) pattern, the nutrition analysis, and the reheating and serving size information shall be printed on the outside of the master case or may be included as an insert in each master case.

SPECIFICATION (Cont'd.)

2. Product must have an approved CN label.
3. Each case shall bear the USDA contract compliance stamp and certification number.
4. The shipping carton shall contain ingredient statement, name of product, and date of pack.
5. Printed, stamped, and stenciled labeling and marking information on shipping containers must be water-fast, non-smearing, of a contrasting color, clear and readable.
6. Labeling of products shall be in compliance with all guidelines as specified by the U. S. Food and Drug Administration regulations 21 CFR 101 and 9 CFR 317 Subpart B; The Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-282, Title II); and the State of Ohio Rule 3717-1-03.5(C), (the administrative rule adopted under Ohio Revised Code 3717.53).

Labeling of products containing the major food allergens - milk, egg, fish (e.g., bass, flounder, or cod), Crustacean shellfish (e.g., crab, lobster, or shrimp), tree nuts (e.g., almonds, pecans, or walnuts), wheat, peanuts, and soybeans - shall be in compliance with the Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-282, Title II) and the State of Ohio Rule 3717-1-03.5(C), (the administrative rule adopted under Ohio Revised Code 3717.53).

G. Palletizing

Shipments shall be palletized according to standard industry practices and shall conform to the following:

1. Manufacturers standard 40" x 48" partial 4-way shipping pallets are acceptable.
2. Maximum Height: 7'6" (including pallet)
3. Maximum Weight: 3,500 lbs. (including pallet)
4. Pallets are to be securely banded or shrink wrapped.
5. The cost of palletizing must be included in the unit price.
6. Pallet exchange is satisfactory with all warehouses.

H. General Information

1. The delivered product shall comply with all applicable federal and state mandatory requirements and regulations relating to the preparation, packaging, labeling, storage, distribution, and sales of the product within the commercial marketplace.
2. All commodities and services to be furnished hereunder shall conform to the specifications as noted herein. All product shall be processed in the United States.
3. If laboratory analysis is done in accordance with Article S-15 of Supplemental Terms and Conditions, the laboratory analysis will be predicated upon the formulation specified herein.
4. Guaranty: By the signature affixed on page 1 of this bid, contractor guarantees that, as of the date of delivery to the State or the State's agent, the product(s) offered is (are) not adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of the Federal Meat Inspection Act.

SPECIFICATION (Cont'd.)

III. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to those responsibilities specified above, the contractor shall be responsible for the following:

- A. Prime Contractor Responsibilities: The prime contractor will be required to assume responsibility for all contractual activities offered in this agreement, whether or not that contractor performs them. Further, the state will consider the prime contractor to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including payment of any and all charges resulting from the anticipated contract. If any part of the work is to be subcontracted, the contractor shall provide a list of subcontractors, including firm name and address, contact person, complete description of work to be subcontracted and descriptive information concerning subcontractor's organizational abilities. The state reserves the right to approve subcontractors and to require the primary contractor to replace subcontractors found to be unacceptable. The contractor is totally responsible for adherence by the subcontractor to all provisions of the contract. Any changes in subcontractors must be approved by the state, in writing, prior to such change.
  
- B. Accounting Records: The contractor and all subcontractors shall maintain all pertinent financial and accounting records and evidence pertaining to the contract in accordance with generally accepted principles of accounting and other procedures specified by the state of Ohio. Financial and accounting records shall be made available upon request to the state of Ohio, its designees or the Ohio Auditor of State at any time during the contract period and any extension thereof, and for one (1) year from expiration date and final payment on the contract or extension thereof.

BID PRICE PAGE

YOUR BID:

Bidders shall not insert a unit price more than 3 digits after the decimal point. Digit(s) beyond 3, after the decimal point, shall be dropped by Procurement Services and not used in the evaluation and any subsequent award.

OAKS ITEM ID NO.	END PRODUCT (PROCESSED AS SPECIFIED)	CASE PACK OFFERED	COMMODITY WEIGHT PER TL	MINIMUM YIELD * OF END PRODUCT PER TL OF COMMODITY	FEE FOR PROCESSING (PER LB. OF END PRODUCT)
	Beef Patties with Soy, Fully Cooked, Charbroiled, Frozen	lbs.	42,000 lbs.	_____ lbs.	\$ _____ per lb.

MBE set aside percentage \_\_\_\_\_%

\*\* Price for transporting existing commodity from current contractor's facility: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per cwt

Please complete all blanks above.

\*\* Product(s) packaging contains recycled material:  Yes  No; If yes, \_\_\_\_\_%

\* Minimum yield under this contract is the weight of finished product returned to the state on every 42,000 lbs. of USDA commodity product.

\*\* Shall not be included in evaluation

I certify that the above products(s): (1) will be produced in compliance with the attached specifications; (2) minimum finished product specified is guaranteed. Total production is to be returned to the Ohio Department of Education regardless of the amount; (3) that the product will be delivered to specified locations in Ohio; and (4) the processing fee reflected above represents the total cost to the Ohio Department of Education for the finished product(s) delivered.

PROCESSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISCLOSURE OF SUBCONTRACTORS / JOINT VENTURES (See Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, Section (roman numeral) V. General Provisions:, Paragraph Q.): List names of subcontractors who will be performing work under the Contract.

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_____	_____

By the signature affixed to Page 1 of this Bid, Bidder hereby certifies that the above information is true and accurate. The Bidder agrees that no changes will be made to this list of subcontractors or locations where work will be performed or data will be stored without prior written approval of DAS. Any attempt by the Bidder/Contractor to change or otherwise alter subcontractors or locations where work will be performed or locations where data will be stored, without prior written approval of DAS, will be deemed as a default. If a default should occur, DAS will seek all legal remedies as set forth in the Terms and Conditions which may include immediate cancellation of the Contract. Failure to complete this page may deem your bid not responsive.

BID AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY CHECKLIST:

Contractor will indicate, by checking the appropriate box(es) below, which mode of transportation will apply to this contract.

- Bidder/Broker ("The Contractor") or their Sub Contractor will make delivery or be performing services using a vehicle that is owned, leased or rented. Provide Certificate of Insurance documenting automobile liability with a Combined Single Limit of \$500,000.00.
- Goods/Services will be delivered via common carrier.
- No employee or representative of the contractor will have cause to be on state property to make deliveries or to perform services.

ATTACHMENT A

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility  
and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions**

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This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 7CFR Part 3017, Section 3017.510, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part IV of the January 30, 1989, Federal Register (pages 4722-1733). Copies of the regulations may be obtained by contacting the Department of Agriculture agency with which this transaction originated.

**(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE)**

The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

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Organization

PR/Award or Project Name

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Name(s) and Title(s) of Authorized Representative(s)

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Signature(s)

Date