

INVITATION TO BID

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

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| The Original Signed Bid must be submitted to the Office of Procurement Services to receive consideration for award. | | BIDDER NAME | |
| BID NUMBER <u>OT910215</u> | OPENING DATE (1:00 p.m.) <u>June 12, 2015</u> | STREET ADDRESS <input type="checkbox"/> Check if remit address is different and list on separate sheet | |
| General Services Division Office of Procurement Services 4200 Surface Road Columbus, OH 43228-1395 Attn: Bid Desk | | CITY STATE ZIP | |
| | | COUNTY | MBE/EDGE CERTIFICATE NUMBER |
| | | TELEPHONE NO. () | TOLL FREE NO. 1 - () |
| | | CONTACT PERSON | FAX NO. () |
| REQ./INDEX NO. EDU046 | BID NOTICE DATE 05/29/15 | CONTRACTOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS | |
| SELECT YOUR PREFERRED METHOD OF RECEIVING PURCHASE ORDERS AND ENTER THE E-MAIL OR FAX NUMBER INFORMATION (ONLY SELECT ONE METHOD) <input type="checkbox"/> E-Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Fax | | | |
| 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 | | | |
| <u>PARTICIPATING AGENCY(IES):</u> DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CHILD NUTRITION, 25 SOUTH FRONT STREET, THIRD FLOOR, COLUMBUS, OH 43215 | | | |
| ADDENDUM FOR CHANGE ADDENDUM NO.: 1 REVISION DATE: 06/01/15 | | | |
| <u>THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES IS SOLICITING BIDS FOR:</u> CHEESE PRODUCTS, PROCESSED USING USDA COMMODITY CHEDDAR CHEESE | | | |
| Attached is page 4 to this Invitation to Bid. Remove the corresponding page from the existing bid and replace with the attached. | | | |
| As indicated herein this addendum is issued to denote the addition of Third Party Administration language into the bid. | | | |

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.

1. Quality Control/Total Quality Control: The contractor shall submit with the completed Commodity Food Processing Agreement 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 Department of Education, Office for Child Nutrition.

SAMPLES: A sample of each product offered is required. A sample shall consist of two (2) cases of the product. Product samples shall meet all requirements as specified herein, shall bear required labeling and markings and shall include preparation and serving instructions. Samples shall be submitted no later than 1:00 pm on Friday June 12, 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, Office for Child Nutrition
c/o Terminal Cold Storage
20-60 Eaker Street
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 (OT910215), Index number (EDU046), 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, Terms, and Conditions for Bidding". There will be a taste testing of the samples submitted to determine acceptability. This will be conducted by a minimum, a ten (10) member panel composed of members of the Office for Child Nutrition staff, members of the Ohio Commodity Advisory Board and/or students from Ohio schools. Samples will be evaluated for appearance, color, flavor (taste) and texture. If product 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 contract, then the sample shall be the standard for the entire contract with anticipated yields as projected and costs as stated. In addition, the bid will be evaluated according to the fee per pound for processing the specified finished product. One case of each product shall be used for bid evaluation to determine acceptability and the other case shall be used to verify and validate actual processed product received during the contract period. No further consideration may be given if the product sample submitted by a bidder fails to meet the evaluation criteria.

CONTRACT AWARD: The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and by low lot total. Low lot total price shall be determined by dividing the pounds of a full truckload of USDA raw commodity for processing by the quoted minimum yield in pounds of finished product from the truckload and multiplying this by the processing fee per pound offered by the bidder. The extended prices of all line items in this bid will be added to obtain the low lot total. Failure to bid all commodity items in this bid may result in the bidder being deemed not responsive.

* 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.

CONTRACT RENEWAL: Should the term contract be renewed beyond the June 30, 2016 expiration date, the prices offered for the contract shall be effective for the term of the renewal(s).

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 State Procurement, 4200 Surface Road, Columbus, Ohio 43228-1395, Attn: Senthana Mahendrarasa

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