#### FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM BID SECTION I - INVITATION FOR BID

BID TYPE: Invitation for Bid - Vendor Cost plus Fixed Fee Pricing

BID CATEGORY: USDA Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program Procurement & Preparation

BID CONTACT: Charles Butler, SNS Tel: 207-542-9700 30 Broadway Ave

CButler@rsu13.org Fax: 207-596-2026 Rockland, ME 04841

DATE BID ISSUED: September 16th, 2016

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$36,500

CONTRACT PERIOD: October 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 with the option of two, one year renewals.

#### **VENDOR SPECIFICATIONS:**

1. Vendor must supply fresh produce & deliver 2 business days per week.

- 2. Vendor must distribute from a facility located within a 25 miles radius of 30 Broadway, Rockland.
- 3. Vendor must provide labor at no additional cost to wash, prepare & portion produce by classroom.
- 4. Vendor must comply with the USDA Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program Handbook for Schools.
- 5. Vendor must provide support & documentation for the "Buy American" provision when requested.
- Vendor's Distribution Facilities and operating practices must be in compliance with all Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations.

#### BID PRICING:

- All items by the Vendor will be priced at (Vendor's Cost + Vendor's Freight Cost) plus a Fix Fee.
- Fixed Fees will be set by the Vendor at the following price breaks per case:

\$00.01 - \$10.00 \$10.01 - \$15.00 \$15.01 - \$20.00 \$20.01 - \$30.00

\$30.01 - \$40.00 \$40.01 - \$50.00 \$50.01 - \$60.00 \$60.01 - OVER

## SUBMISSION & DELIVERY OF BID:

• Print all completed bid packet forms, place in a sealed envelope, submit by September 29, 2016 to:

Label seal envelope ""Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program Bid Submission"

Charles Butler, School Nutrition Director South School, 30 Broadway, Rockland, ME 04841



## BID AWARD:

• The bid will be awarded no later than 5 working days after bid opening & notice will be sent via email to all vendors with accepted bid submissions.

## PUBLIC BID OPENING:

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – 9:30 am School Nutrition Director South School 30 Broadway Rockland, ME 04841

## REQUEST FOR BID SUBMISSIONS FOR REVIEW:

• Request to receive copies of the bid submissions can be made by contacting Charles Butler at cbutler@rsu13.org after the bid opening.

## TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED BY THE BIDDING COMPANY

NAME OF COMPANY
ADDRESS
NAME OF SIGNING OFFICER (PRINT)
TITLE
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
COMPANY CONTACT PERSON
TELEPHONE
DATE



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