

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions have been submitted concerning Bid #270202 – Condiments, Spices, and Staples. All questions received have been answered and are provided verbatim from what was received.

BIDDER QUESTION #1: The product I am bidding is completely manufactured in the USA and has multiple ingredients. Spices that are imported from India make up 5% of this product. Spices fall under the exemption of Buy American since they are not produced or manufactured in sufficient and reasonable available quantities of a satisfactory quality. What documentation is needed in this case?

If the product is Buy American compliant defined as processed in the US and contains more than 51% domestic ingredients by weight, the Buy American documentation is not required. If the product is not Buy American compliant, an official exemption waiver is required.

BIDDER QUESTION #2: In the Condiments bid that went out today, our product is listed as Item 30. This product was approved by Katherine Dixon in June this year. Please see the highlighted sentences in her email. Are samples still needed if the item has been approved?

For item 30 – Masala Curry Sauce submitted by Flavor Temptations, samples are not needed since they were already submitted this summer.

BIDDER QUESTION #3: #24 BBQ Sauce 4/1 Gal. Your bid line shows it should contain High Fructose Corn Syrup and Caramel Color. Can we bid one that has no HFCS and only Natural coloring?

Yes, the District will consider a BBQ sauce that has no HFCS and only natural coloring. Samples are required for alternate products.

BIDDER QUESTION #4: Do the attachments have to be individually uploaded to Bidnet or can they be signed in the original bid specification document and uploaded as one document?

The attachments can be signed in the bid document and uploaded as one document. If it creates technical issues with Bidnet, individual attachments may have to be uploaded.

Note: Sample forms and specifications should not be submitted with the bid documents. Please refer to pages 2, 6 and 7 of the bid document regarding sample submissions.