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Responses to Written Questions

RFP: RFP 26-19 CWS Regional Sourcing

Question 1:

- Can any products be delivered to Russ Davis Produce in La Crosse or must all items in this Regional RFP need to be delivered to the MPS Culinary Center in Minneapolis?

Answer 1:

- MPS has a preference for direct delivery to the Culinary Center but will consider delivery through distributors on a case by case basis.

Question 2:

- What are they looking for / how are you defining baby lettuce? Is the same as a Spring Mix?

Answer 2:

- For the purposes of this RFP, yes, spring mix would be an acceptable match for this category.

Question 3:

- Are the day(s) of the week for delivery flexible as long as that delivery occurs Monday - Friday during acceptable MPS delivery hours?

Answer 3:

- Yes, pursuant to meeting MPS internal distribution and service timelines.

Question 4:

- On items where specific delivery months are not listed, just a quantity, does that mean you are looking for that all in one delivery & the month is flexible? Or can it be delivered in multiple deliveries and/or multiple months?

Answer 4:

- These items are subject to ongoing menu planning but will, in most cases, be intended for one delivery over the course of the year. Exact plan will be communicated as part of issued awards and/or with sufficient lead time for awarded suppliers.

Question 5:

- On those items where the only information listed on the RFP is the total quantity needed, does that mean the item is planned to be served in one menu day?

Answer 5:

- Similar to answer four (4), this is still subject to ongoing menu planning and will be communicated as possible. In general, yes.

Question 6:

- If an Iowa based Food Hub / aggregator submits a bid on multiple products from Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, and one product from a farmer just over the border in Nebraska, would the Nebraska product be considered eligible?

Answer 6:

- Yes, MPS would consider this an eligible item.

Thank you,

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