

Published Specifications, Essential Characteristics, & Salient Requirements

Excerpted from R10 MRPC SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS RFP #2023-04: Fresh Produce & Raw Meats

18. NUTRITIONAL LABELS/GDSN/STANDARD OF IDENTITY:

Awarded vendors are required to utilize the GDSN and provide GTIN's in the bid response to allow R10MRPC members access to up-to-date nutritional information. R10MRPC has prepared this procurement document to address the requirements of CFR 200.319 by adopting the industry wide standards for product registration within the published procedures and protocols of the Global Data Synchronization Network® (GDSN®).

When appropriate, specific brand name products have been identified in Attachment A and in the Bid Table by including a Global Trade Identification Number (GTIN), and a related published specification showing the essential characteristics of that product thereby defining each products salient requirements

- R10MRPC, wherever possible, will pre-approve one or more "equivalent" brand name products from different manufacturers with similar published GTIN specifications.*
- Offerors may propose alternative products by providing the GTIN and values for the explicitly identified essential characteristics identified on Attachment A, which will be considered by R10MPPRC. Alternative offers may also be subject to blind taste testing before approval at R10MRPC's discretion.*
- Offerors will be notified of acceptance or rejection of proposed alternative products if awarded.*