

APPENDIX A TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

MEAL, READY-TO-EAT (MREs)

1. Introduction and Project Overview

The purpose of this Invitation for Bid (the "IFB") is to evaluate and select a Respondent that can provide Meal, Ready-To-Eat (MREs) to JEA for Inventory Stock in order to prepare for future disaster recovery efforts. JEA procures and stores pre-packaged commercial meals to support readiness capability for immediate distribution workers when required for a period of up to five (5) business days while JEA restores critical infrastructure in the northeast Florida area.

2. Scope of Work

The following are the JEA specifications for its Meal, Ready-To-Eat (MREs).

- EACH MRE (MEALS, READY TO EAT) Kit should contain: Entree, Side dish, Bread, Spread, Dessert, Cold drink mix, Hot drink mix, Instant coffee, Spoon, Condiments, Napkin and Heater (heater requirement may vary depending on the entree meal content).
- Calories: 1,200+
- MRE should be equivalent to the US military combat ration MRE.
- MREs offered should include different menus with favorite components including best entrees, desserts, appropriate condiments and spreads.
- Each MRE will be used as 1 meal and individually packages per meal.
- All meals/kits must have a minimum of 36 months of remaining shelf life upon delivery.
- Freeze dried type meals are UNACCEPTABLE.
- If a meal contains a heating element, the heating element shall be activated by water.

3. Packaging

The subassembly/accessory packet shall be a preformed packet or a form-fill-seal packet. Dimensions shall be sufficient to contain all components. Seals shall be a minimum 1/8 inch wide.

- 10 to 20 individual meals shall be boxed together for easy shelf storage, retrieval and distribution.
- Each box of meals shall be labeled with the box content: number and type of MRE(s).
- All boxes shall be palletized for easy movement by pallet jack and/or fork truck.