## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

The following questions have been submitted concerning Bid#220202, Condiments, Spices, and Staples. All questions received have been answered, and are provided verbatim from what was received:

<u>BIDDER QUESTION#1:</u> Can you please provide the minimum ordering quantities on the following item.- 27, BBQ.

Answer: No, we do not set the quantity for minimum orders. Our order quantity is based on student usage.

<u>BIDDER QUESTION#2:</u> There is an item listed as an accepted brand under Bid Line Item #6: Biscuits, Whole Grain, Large (0517290). If the item does not meet six (6) months of shelf life at full production, would you be willing to revise the shelf life requirement as stated on page 13 of the ITB: All shelf-stable goods delivered to the ECSD Warehouse must, at a minimum, have a shelf life of six (6) months. The Best Buy Dates must be clearly marked on the side of the boxes or pallets.

Answer: No, the shelf life requirement of six (6) months will not be changed.

<u>BIDDER QUESTION#3:</u> On bid #220202 line item #4 Breadstick Whole Grain, The Father's Table is not listed as an Accepted Brand but they were awarded this line item on the current bid and product is being purchased, do they still need to submit a sample for this bid even though you are currently using their product?

Answer: No sample is not required.

<u>BIDDER QUESTION#4:</u> On bid #220202 line item #10 Graham Snacks, MJM is not listed as an Accepted Brand but they were awarded this line item on the current bid and product is being purchased, do they still need to submit samples for this bid even though you are currently using their product?

Answer: No sample is not required.

<u>BIDDER QUESTION#5</u>: For line item #45, Ketchup #10, approved brand RedGold, RedGold brand is Emerald, can you clarify this will be accepted without a sample?

Answer: Since it is using a different brand name, a sample and specifications will be required.

BIDDER QUESTION#6: On line item 5 would you consider raising the fat to 8g and the Sodium to 350 mg?

Answer: No, the fat and sodium levels will not be increased.