COL-RICE Colombia Rice Export Quota, Inc.

NOTICE OF OPEN TENDER

Independent bids are invited for rights to ship U.S.-origin rice to the Republic of Colombia duty-free under a tariff-rate quota (TRQ) granted by the Republic of Colombia to the United States under the U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement.

Bids must be submitted on Thursday, October 12, 2017 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

Shipment Period: October 13 – December 31, 2017

The following quantity is available:

		Total Volume for All	
_	Colombian HTS Number	HTS Numbers (metric tons, milled equivalent basis)	Colombian Duty
Rice in Husk (Hull), Except for Seed Husked (Brown) Rice Rice Semi-Milled or Milled, Whether Polished or Glazed Broken Rice	1006.1090 1006.2000 1006.3000 1006.4000))) 15,197)	Zero

The product must be imported into Colombia between October 13 and December 31, 2017.

TRQ Certificates will be awarded to the highest bidder(s). Any person or entity incorporated or domiciled, with a legal address, in the United States is eligible to bid. Bid quantities should be submitted in metric ton, milled rice equivalent using the following conversion factors: rough rice (rice in hull) = 0.71; brown rice (hulled) = 0.89; broken rice = 1. The minimum bid price is \$30.00/metric ton. Bids must be submitted in dollars and cents per metric ton.

Each bidder must submit a performance security in the amount of \$50,000 or the total value of the bid(s), whichever is less. Potential bidders may obtain the required bid forms and bid instructions from:

COL-RICE Administrator Economic Consulting Services, LLC 2001 L Street, N.W., Suite 1000 Washington, D.C. 20036, USA

Phone: (202) 466 - 1159, Fax: (202) 466 - 9062 E-mail: <u>col-rice@economic-consulting.com</u> Web: https://www.col-rice.org

Bids may be submitted electronically at https://www.col-rice.org, by e-mail at col-rice@economic-consulting.com, by fax to (202) 466-9062, or by hand delivery to the COL-RICE Administrator at the address listed above. Submission of a bid constitutes acceptance of all bid instructions and conditions.