## **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.

## <u>Bids must be submitted on Monday, January 29, 2018</u> between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST)

Shipment Period: February 1 – June 30, 2018

The following quantity is available:

		Total Volume for All	
		HTS Numbers	
	Colombian HTS	(metric tons, milled	Colombian
_	Number	equivalent basis)	Duty
Rice in Husk (Hull), Except for Seed	1006.1090	)	
Husked (Brown) Rice	1006.2000	)	
Rice Semi-Milled or Milled, Whether		72,043	Zero
Polished or Glazed	1006.3000	)	
Broken Rice	1006.4000	)	

The product must be imported into Colombia between February 1 and June 30, 2018.

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 \$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

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Bids may be submitted electronically at <a href="https://www.col-rice.org">https://www.col-rice.org</a>, by e-mail at <a href="col-rice@economic-consulting.com">col-rice@economic-consulting.com</a>, 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.