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Freedom Industries ATTN: Henry Thomas 243 California Rd Mount Vernon, NY 10552

· Dear Mr. Thomas, ; ;

Operation Desert Shield (ODS) has created significant increases in the monthly requirements for the Meal, Ready-to-Eat (MRE) operational ration, far exceeding the production capacities of our existing assemblers. In order to address ODS shortfalls and potential shortfalls resulting from changes in the current assembly base, the Defense Personnel Support Center is looking for contractors interested in assembling the MRE.

Enclosed is the MRE menu, the MRE assembly specification, the cracker assembly specification and Section H of a sample assembly solicitation. After you finish reading the enclosed information, please complete the attached questionnaire. Your answers will help the Industrial Preparedness Planning (IPP) team evaluate your capability to package the MRE. This information will also help determine what kind of assistance your company will need from the Government to become an assembler. The objective of this market survey is to determine the cost to the Government of bringing on new assemblers.

Please return the completed questionnaire to Bob Krajci, ATTN: HPPR, by 31 January 1991. If you have any questions concerning this matter please call Bob Krajci on 215-737-4477.

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