

DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY HEADQUARTERS 1300 E AVENUE FORT LEE, VIRGINIA 23801-1800

MPS November 23, 2022

NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE #23-05

SUBJECT: Category Review Notification- Tofu/Soy

The purpose of this notice is to advise Industry the Sales Directorate will begin the Category review for Tofu/Soy in December 2022. Appointments / presentations will be accepted for December 21 & 22. Appointment requests must be submitted no later than December 16th. The attached template identifies the category to be reviewed, category review objectives, and relevant information.

All files larger than 5 MB should be uploaded to the DoD SAFE at the following website: https://safe.apps.mil. This review is open for current and potential new vendors seeking business opportunities with DeCA. The attached template identifies the categories to be reviewed, category review objectives, and relevant information.

Questions regarding this review and appointment requests may be directed to Teredane Daguison, Merchandising Specialist, at Teredane.daguison@deca.mil or 804-734-8000 extension 48170 or Ms. Bridget Bennett, Category Manager at Bridget.Bennett@deca.mil or 804-734-800 extension 48200.

For: Bonita M. Moffett Director of Sales

Attachments: As stated

CATEGORY PLAN

(Publish 30 Days Prior to Category Review) Tofu/Soy Category: Universe of Items Included (e.g. D/C/G codes): Planogram Name / Number*: 8250 *Category definition based on current and previous published planograms (to include items that have been phased out). Regional items (Include / Exclude): Exclude Optional items (Include / Exclude): Exclude One-time buy/seasonal items (Include / Exclude): Include Club packs (Include / Exclude): Include Category Segmentation (if different than D/C/G codes identified above): 12-2022 Category Review Month (MM/YYYY): Date Last Completed (MM/YYYY): N/A **Bridget Bennett** Category Manager: Implementation / Scorecard to be Managed by: Teredane Daguison/Bridget Bennett Basket Builder Category Role (e.g. Destination, Routine, Convenience): Marketing Strategy: To be determined by Industry/DeCA during review. Discussion to include, but not limited to, topics below: Number of Promotions Per Year: provide in presentation Seasonal Promotions?: provide in presentation Theme Event? Method (i.e. Mandate): Target 25-28% Patron Savings or higher. Target 15% ACV or higher. Category Objectives: Increase sales for the category by using retail best practice, and optimize variety while meeting pack out. Special Factors/Notes: Focus on new innovations while maintaining top sellers and removing poor sellers. (Examples - Focus on emerging category trends, new item introductions, consumer segmentation...) **Evaluation Criteria:** Current Category POG Size (in Linear Feet): K5 (e.g. 12ft) K4 (e.g. 12ft) K3 (e.g. 12ft) K2 (e.g. 12ft) K1 (e.g. 8ft) Preferred Period Ending for Data (MM/YYYY): 11-2022 Preferred Timeframe for Data (e.g 26 Weeks) 52, 26 and 13 Weeks vs YAG Data - Geography (e.g. Worldwide, ConUS) CONUS to include AK, HI and PR - Regional data for regional requests Primary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars) Dollars/Units ACV/Patron Savings Secondary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars):

Review Milestones:

NTT Release
Vendor Presentations
Results Published
New Item Start Date
New Items in Distributor by
POG's Published
Store Resets Start

Comparison Retail Market (e.g. All Other Channels**, Remaining Markets)

November 23, 2022
December 21-22, 2022
February 3, 2023
February 28, 2023
March 20, 2023
March 24, 2023
March 30, 2023

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