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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

SCOURING BRICK AND HOLDER

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description by all Federal agencies.

1. SCOPE. This commercial item description (CID) covers griddle scouring bricks composed of pumice stone and a reusable aluminum holder.

2. CLASSIFICATION.

Type I - Pumice stone brick.
Type II - Holder.

3. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

3.1 Type I, pumice stone brick. The pumice stone scouring brick shall be cut from a natural, gray, lava rock. The brick shall have be uniform throughout in texture, free of hard particles that might damage the surface of a grill or griddle and free of noticeable odor. The texture and abrasive quality of the pumice rock shall be so selected that the finished brick is suitable for scouring burned foods and carbon residue from hot grills and griddles. The finished pumice stone brick shall be 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 7", $\pm 1/4$ " (89 x 89 x 178, ± 6 mm) in size.

3.2 Type II, scouring brick holder. The holder shall be cast aluminum alloy. The holder shall be designed to hold the brick described by 3.1 for the purpose of providing a secure handle while the brick is used to scour hot cooking surfaces. With the scouring brick in place there shall be sufficient space under the handle to allow comfortable grasping of the handle and to permit comfortable use of the brick. Any commercial way of securing the brick to the handle is permitted that does not depend on tension alone, the brick shall not come loose during use.

3.3 Workmanship. The brick shall be cut square with parallel sides. The bricks shall be free of any impurities, imperfections or defects that may affect serviceability, durability or appearance. The handle shall not have any flashing or sharp edges or corners that might injure a user, or any defects that may affect serviceability, durability or appearance.

3.4 Metric products. Products manufactured to metric dimensions will be considered on an equal basis with those manufactured using inch-pound units, providing they fall within tolerances specified and all other requirements of this document are met.

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4. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Regulatory requirements. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable, in accordance with paragraph 23.403 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

5.1 Product conformance. The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this CID, shall conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices, and shall be the same product offered for sale in the commercial market. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

6. PACKAGING, PACKING AND MARKING

6.1 Packaging, packing and marking. The packaging, packing, and marking shall be as specified in the contract or order.

7. NOTES

7.1 Ordering data. Purchasers should select the preferred options permitted herein and include the following information in procurement documents:

- a. Title, number, and date of this CID.
- b. Type.
- c. The packaging, packing and marking desired

7.2 National Stock Numbers. The following NSNs are known to use this document:

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7920-00-058-2242 Type II

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