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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

CREAMER, NON-DAIRY, DRY

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has authorized the use of this Commercial Item Description in preference to Military Specification MIL-C-43338 and Veterans Administration Specification X-1640/8d.

This Commercial Item Description (CID) covers dry, non-dairy creamer (formerly "cream substitute"), packed into commercially acceptable containers, suitable for use by the Federal Government.

Salient Characteristics.

The dry, non-dairy creamer shall be a white to light cream colored, free-flowing uniform granular powder; free from lumps, foreign materials (such as dirt, insects, insect parts, wood, paint, glass, or metal particles), and shall not contain noticeable brown or black scorched particles. After adding to hot coffee the product shall readily dissolve within 15 seconds and show no evidence of curdling, feathering, or undissolved floating particles; and shall impart a sweet creamy flavor, free from foreign or objectionable flavors and odors (e.g., sour, malty, tallowy, stale, soapy, rancid, bitter or scorched flavors or odors). The product shall be manufactured using the ingredients listed below, and the finished product shall conform to the analyses as stated.

Ingredients

Corn syrup solids
Vegetable fats or oils
Sodium caseinate
Dipotassium phosphate
Mono- and diglycerides
Sodium silicoaluminate
Sodium tripolyphosphate
Tricalciumphosphate
Lecithin
Artificial flavor
Artificial color

Analytical Requirements

Fat	- Not less than 33.0 percent
Moisture	- Not to exceed 3.0 percent
Standard plate count	- Not to exceed 20,000 per gram
Coliform count	- Not to exceed 10 per gram
Salmonella	- Negative

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Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the non-dairy creamer shall not be over 90 days old at the time of delivery.

Contractor's Certification.

By submitting an offer, the contractor certifies that the product offered meets the specified salient characteristics of this CID; conforms to the producer's own specifications and standards, including product characteristics, manufacturing procedures, quality control procedures, and storage and handling practices; has a national or regional distribution from storage points located within the United States, its territories, or possessions; and is sold on the commercial market with commercial sales to the public sector predominating over sales to the Federal Government. The Government reserves the right to determine proof of such conformance prior to first delivery from point of origin and any time thereafter, up to and including delivery at final destination, as may be necessary to determine conformance with the provisions of the contract.

Regulatory Requirements.

The delivered product shall comply with all applicable Federal and State mandatory requirements and regulations relating to the preparation, processing, packaging, labeling, storage, distribution, and sales of the product within the commercial marketplace. The delivered product shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Quality Assurance.

When required in the solicitation or contract, the quality assurance of the non-dairy creamer shall be determined by the responsible inspection/certification agency (Dairy Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture). The product shall be examined and/or tested in accordance with applicable provisions in the CID, and when applicable, the United States Standards for Condition of Food Containers currently in effect on the date of the solicitation, and in accordance with the requirements in the applicable regulations.

Preservation, Packaging, Packing, Labeling, and Marking (as appropriate and applicable).

The product shall be preserved, packaged, packed, and case marked in accordance with good commercial practice. Commercial packaging, packing, labeling, and marking, as may be augmented by the contract or purchase order, shall be acceptable. Shipping containers shall be in compliance with National Motor Freight Classification or Uniform Freight Classification, as applicable.

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For Department of Defense Procurements.

The following requirements are applicable when specified by the contracting officer. (Copies of specifications, standards, and publications required by contractors in connection with specific procurement functions should be obtained from the procuring activity or as directed by the contracting officer.)

Packaging.

A. Commercial packaging. Three grams of dry, non-dairy creamer shall be packaged in accordance with commercial practice in an envelope fabricated with at least one layer of lamina being aluminum foil. Fifty or 100 envelopes shall be placed in an intermediate tray or carton in accordance with commercial practice.

B. Commercial packing. One thousand or two thousand envelopes of dry, non-dairy creamer shall be packed in accordance with commercial packing complying with Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification.

C. Export packaging. The packaging of dry, non-dairy creamer for export shall be the same as that specified for commercial packaging.

D. Export packing. One thousand or two thousand envelopes of dry, non-dairy creamer shall be packed in snug-fitting fiberboard boxes conforming to style RSC, Grade V3s, V3c, or V4s of PPP-B-636. Style RSC boxes may be top opening or end opening. Reinforcement shall be restricted to non-metallic strapping or pressure sensitive adhesive filament reinforced tape in accordance with the appendix of PPP-B-636.

E. Export unit load. Shipping containers shall be arranged in unit loads in accordance with Type I, Class A of MIL-L-35078. The load may also be bonded with stretch film in accordance with MIL-STD-147.

F. Labeling (commercial and export). Labeling of packages shall be in accordance with commercial practice and shall comply with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and regulations promulgated thereunder.

G. Marking of shipping containers (commercial and export). Commercial marking for shipping containers is acceptable, however, the following information must be included:

National Stock Number	Date of Pack (month/year)
Item Nomenclature	Contract Number
Quantity, Size, and Unit	Name, Address, and Zip Code of Contractor

H. Marking of export loads. Unit loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-L-35078.

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Notes.

Sources of Documents:

Sources of nongovernmental documents are as follows:

Copies of the National Motor Freight Classification may be obtained from:

National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc., Agent
National Motor Freight Classification
American Trucking Associations, Inc., Traffic Department
1616 P Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Copies of the Uniform Freight Classification may be obtained from:

Uniform Classification Committee, Agent
Uniform Freight Classification
Uniform Classification Committee, Room 1106
222 South Riverside Plaza
Chicago, IL 60606

Sources of governmental documents are as follows:

Copies of applicable provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, contained in 21 CFR Parts 1 to 199, may be purchased from:

Superintendent of Documents
U.S. Government Printing Office
Washington, DC 20402

Copies of the U.S. Standards for Condition of Food Containers may be obtained from:

Director
Food Quality Assurance Division
Agricultural Marketing Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
South Building
Washington, DC 20250

Civil agencies and other interested parties may obtain copies of this CID from:

General Services Administration
Specification Unit (WFIS)
Room 6039
7th & D Streets, SW
Washington, DC 20407

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Military activities should submit request for copies to:

Naval Publications and Forms Center
5801 Tabor Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19120

Comments and Suggestions.

Comments and suggestions regarding this CID may be submitted to:

Director
Food Quality Assurance Division
Agricultural Marketing Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
South Building
Washington, DC 20250

Activity Symbols:

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