

ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY SUMMER 2026 INDEXED RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT RFP ILLUSTRATIVE PART 1 FORM

Public Act 102-0662, the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, became effective on September 15, 2021. Public Act 103-0380, related to the procurement of RECs from certain hydropower projects, became effective on January 1, 2024. The Illinois Power Agency (“IPA”) filed its 2026 Long-Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan (“2026 Long-Term Plan”) with the Illinois Commerce Commission (“ICC” or “Commission”) on October 20, 2025. The Commission’s decision on the 2026 Long-Term Plan is provided through its Order dated February 17, 2026.

As approved by the ICC, the 2026 Long-Term Plan provides for a procurement of renewable energy credits (“RECs”) from new utility-scale wind projects, new utility-scale solar projects, new brownfield site photovoltaic projects, and new hydropower projects at an existing dam or modernized or retooled hydropower projects at an existing dam. The RECs procured in this procurement event must meet the definition of Renewable Energy Credit and Indexed Renewable Energy Credit as provided in Section 1-10 of the IPA Act.

Through this procurement event, the IPA will solicit twenty-year contracts for 2,500,000 RECs delivered annually from either new utility-scale wind projects or hydropower projects, 1,300,000 RECs delivered annually from new utility-scale solar projects, and 266,271 RECs delivered annually from new brownfield site photovoltaic projects for the portfolios of Ameren Illinois Company (“AIC”), Commonwealth Edison Company (“ComEd”), and MidAmerican Energy Company (“MEC”). Each of AIC, ComEd, and MEC is referred to as a “Company”.

The Part 1 Proposal consists of the online Part 1 Form and attachments that are uploaded to the application website (or sent to the Procurement Administrator via email). Before completing the online Part 1 Form for the Indexed REC RFP, please review the RFP Rules and the Indexed Renewable Energy Credit Agreement (“Indexed REC Contract”) so that you understand the conditions under which the Indexed REC RFP will be conducted. These documents are available on the procurement website, www.ipa-energyrfp.com. By submitting a Part 1 Proposal in response to the Indexed REC RFP, you agree to all the terms and conditions of the Indexed REC RFP.

Any information that you provide in this Part 1 Proposal is provided on a confidential basis to the Procurement Administrator and may be provided on a confidential basis to the Procurement Monitor, to the IPA, or to the Staff of the ICC. Any information provided to AIC, ComEd, or MEC will also be provided to the Procurement Monitor.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPOSAL

Bidders use the online Part 1 Form and upload required documents to respond to the qualification standards of the RFP Rules. Bidders request an account to access the application website from the Procurement Administrator via email (Illinois-RFP@nera.com) or by submitting the [Qualification Registration Form](#) on the Qualification Forms page of the procurement website.

A Part 1 Proposal serves to present the qualification requirements for a single Project. To the extent that an entity is intending to present several Projects, a different Part 1 Proposal must be presented for each such Project, with each Part 1 Proposal submitted using a unique online Part 1 Form.

The Procurement Administrator evaluates Bids submitted in accordance with this RFP for each Project that qualifies pursuant to a successful Part 1 Proposal and a Part 2 Proposal that fulfills all the requirements of the RFP Rules.

Please complete all sections. If a section does not pertain to you, you will be required to check a box and move on to the next section.

I. Part 1 Proposal Submission

Bidders must:

- Complete the online Part 1 Form in its entirety;
- Submit any documents, including Inserts, required to support the online Part 1 Form by email to Illinois-RFP@nera.com or by upload to the application website.

All times are Central Prevailing Times (“CPT”) unless specifically noted.

The online Part 1 Form must be submitted no later than 12 PM (noon) CPT on April 30, 2026 (the Part 1 Date).

Some of the documents required to support the online Part 1 Form are Inserts. Each of these Inserts will be available on the procurement website or from the Procurement Administrator. “Inserts” are separate forms that, when duly completed, allow Bidders to comply with the requirements to this RFP. A Bidder that is required to submit a particular Insert will complete the form and upload the form to the application website (or send the form by email). Any modification by the Bidder to these Inserts, other than providing such specific information or signature, will not be considered and the Part 1 Proposal will be considered deficient. Any covert modification to these Inserts will be considered a material misrepresentation of the Proposal, for which the Companies may draw on bid assurance collateral posted for the Project, regardless of whether the Bidder subsequently resubmits such Inserts in a manner that is compliant with the RFP Rules.

If the Insert requires a signature, such Insert may be:

- Printed, signed, scanned, and uploaded to the online Part 1 Form;
- or
- Submitted with a digital signature and a document or information verifying the identity of the signatory. Electronic signatures (e.g., a picture of a signature by opposition to a digital signature entered through software such as that offered by DocuSign) are not acceptable.

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For illustrative purposes, the Inserts are shown throughout this Part 1 Form in blue boxes. The format and exact content of the Inserts may differ from the illustrative Inserts provided through this Part 1 Form. **Fields for upload of other documents are designated by a paperclip.**

Inquiries may be directed to the Procurement Administrator through the “Ask a Question” page on the procurement website at www.ipa-energyrfp.com.

II. Part 1 Proposal Processing

Information regarding the processing of the Proposal will be provided as a separate document to Bidders.

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PART 1 FORM

1. Basic Information

First Item: Name and Status of the Project

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A NAME FOR THE PROJECT THAT THE BIDDER WILL CONSISTENTLY USE THROUGHOUT THE PROPOSAL. Once the Part 1 Proposal is complete, the name of the Project cannot be changed.

Name of the Project

Website for the Project (if available)

For a utility-scale wind project, a utility-scale solar project, a brownfield site photovoltaic project, or a New Hydropower Project, is the Date of First Operation for the Project, as defined in the Indexed REC Contract, prior to December 15, 2022? For a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project, is the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date, as defined in the Indexed REC Contract, prior to December 15, 2022? The Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date is defined in the Indexed REC Contract as the date for which the Modernized or Retooled activities have been completed.

Yes

No

Was a Bid for the Project selected and approved by the Commission in a prior Illinois Power Agency procurement event?

Yes

No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please contact the Procurement Administrator by email to Illinois-RFP@nera.com to explain and receive additional instructions for completing the Part 1 Proposal. Please refer to paragraph IV.1.8 of the RFP Rules for additional information.

Second Item: Identity and Contact Information for the Seller

The “Seller” is an entity that bids to deliver RECs from a Project under the terms of the Indexed REC Contract and that will be the signatory to the Indexed REC Contract if the Bid for the Project is selected through this RFP and the Bid is approved by the Commission. **The Seller must be an entity that has been formed as of the Part 1 Date. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE SELLER.**

Legal Name of Seller

Street Address

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<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
<i>Date at Which the Seller Was Formed</i>		

A “Joint Venture” is an agreement between two or more parties to own a Project jointly through a Seller organized for this purpose. Such parties (called “Joint Venture Partners” or “Partners”) otherwise maintain their distinct identities and business plans. **IF A SELLER IS THE PRODUCT OF A JOINT VENTURE OR SIMILAR AGREEMENT, THE PART 1 PROPOSAL MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT.** The Part 1 Proposal must provide each Partner’s legal name and address (including street address, city, state, and zip code). Additionally, the Bidder will be required to name a Signatory of each of the Partners who will make all representations required in the Part 1 Proposal and in the Part 2 Proposal for the Project in the next item.

Is the Seller a product of a Joint Venture or similar agreement?

Yes **No**

If YES, please provide the information required by this item.

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR PARTNER 1.

Legal Name of the Partner

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Street Address

City

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State

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Zip Code

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PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR PARTNER 2.

Legal Name of the Partner

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Street Address

City

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State

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Zip Code

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If the Joint Venture or similar agreement includes more than two (2) Partners, please provide the above information for any such additional Partners in Section 10, Justification of Omissions.

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Third Item: Officer of the Seller

The Officer of the Seller must be an officer, a director, or an individual otherwise empowered to undertake contracts and bind the Seller. **THE OFFICER OF THE SELLER WHOSE CONTACT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED BELOW MUST MAKE ALL REPRESENTATIONS REQUIRED IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL AND PART 2 PROPOSAL FOR THE PROJECT.**

It is expected that, if the Project is selected by the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Commission, the Officer of the Seller would sign the Indexed REC Contract with each Company. Should the Officer of the Seller not be available to sign for this purpose, the Seller must advise each Company of this fact. The Seller will name another individual to sign the Indexed REC Contract and the Seller will be required to confirm that this individual is empowered to undertake contracts and bind the Seller.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE OFFICER OF THE SELLER BELOW.

Given Name(s) of the Officer of the Seller

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

For a Joint Venture, all representations that are made by the Officer of the Seller must also be made by a Signatory of each of the Partners. The “Signatory” for a Partner is an individual who is an officer, a director, or an individual otherwise authorized to undertake contracts and bind the Partner. **THE SIGNATORIES OF THE PARTNER(S) WHOSE CONTACT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED BELOW MUST MAKE ALL REPRESENTATIONS REQUIRED IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL AND PART 2 PROPOSAL FOR THE PROJECT.**

PLEASE PROVIDE THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE SIGNATORY OF PARTNER 1.

Given Name(s) of the Signatory

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

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PLEASE PROVIDE THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE SIGNATORY OF PARTNER 2.

Given Name(s) of the Signatory

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

If the Joint Venture or similar agreement includes more than two (2) Partners, please provide the above information for additional Signatories in Section 10, Justification of Omissions.

Fourth Item: Identity and Contact Information for the Bidder

The Bidder is the entity submitting the Proposal. The Bidder may present a Proposal for one (1) or multiple Projects. If an entity has a role in the development of multiple Projects, this entity must serve as the Bidder and present the Proposals for all such Projects. If several entities each have a role in the development of the same multiple Projects, one (1) of these entities must be selected to present the Proposals for all such Projects and serve as the Bidder.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE BIDDER.

Legal Name of Bidder

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

The Bidder must specify all activities related to the development of the Project in which the Bidder has a role including, but not limited to, land acquisition, interconnection, permitting, procurement, construction, project sponsorship, and/or providing advice.

PLEASE IDENTIFY THE ROLE OF THE BIDDER IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT.

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Fifth Item: Representatives

The Bidder must identify the individual or individuals primarily responsible for submission of the Proposal and provide full contact information for each individual, including an address, business phone number, mobile phone number, and email address. These individuals, each a “Representative”, must be authorized to act on behalf of the Bidder and on behalf of the Seller. It is expected that at least one (1) of the Representatives is or can be authorized to submit the Bids(s) on the Bid Date and can make the certification required on the Bid Form. The Procurement Administrator sends all correspondence related to the procurement event to the Representatives, including confidential information required to submit Bids on the Bid Date.

THE BIDDER MUST IDENTIFY ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE BY COMPLETING THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE IN THE FIELDS BELOW AND THE BIDDER MUST INDICATE WHETHER THIS REPRESENTATIVE IS OR CAN BE AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT THE BID(S) ON THE BID DATE AND TO MAKE THE CERTIFICATION REQUIRED ON THE BID FORM.

Given Name(s) of Representative

Last Name of Representative

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

This Representative is or can be authorized to submit the Bid(s) on the Bid Date and to make the certification required on the Bid Form.

Does the Bidder wish to name additional Representatives to be copied on all communications from the Procurement Administrator?

Yes

No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please continue to the next question in this item.

If the Bidder is presenting Proposals for multiple Projects, the Bidder must identify the same Representatives for all such Proposals. Such Bidder is only required to submit the information regarding the Representatives once in a Part 1 Proposal for one of the Projects.

Has the Bidder already designated additional Representatives in a previously submitted Part 1 Proposal for another Project?

Yes

No

If YES, these additional Representatives serve for all Projects presented by the Bidder. Please proceed to the next section.

If NO, the Bidder may designate up to three (3) additional Representatives by fully completing the Representative Insert prepared for this purpose.

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PLEASE FULLY COMPLETE THE REPRESENTATIVE INSERT. THE REPRESENTATIVE INSERT MAY BE PROVIDED BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE REPRESENTATIVE INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Representative Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-1.

Name of Bidder

REPRESENTATIVE INSERT (#P1-1)

The Bidder may name up to three (3) Representatives, **in addition to** the Representative whose contact information is provided directly in the online Part 1 Form, by providing the information requested below. These individuals, each a “Representative”, must be authorized to act on behalf of the Bidder and on behalf of the Seller. It is expected that at least one (1) of the Representatives is or can be authorized to submit the Bids(s) on the Bid Date and can make the certification required on the Bid Form. If the Bidder is presenting Proposals for multiple Projects, the Bidder must identify the same Representatives for all such Proposals. Such Bidder is only required to submit the information regarding the Representatives once in a Part 1 Proposal for one of the Projects.

Contact Information for Representative

Given Name(s)

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

This Representative is or can be authorized to submit the Bid(s) on the Bid Date and make the certification required on the Bid Form.

Contact Information for Representative

Given Name(s)

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

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This Representative is or can be authorized to submit the Bid(s) on the Bid Date and make the certification required on the Bid Form.

Contact Information for Representative

Given Name(s)

Last Name

Title

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Business Telephone No.

Mobile Telephone No.

Email Address

This Representative is or can be authorized to submit the Bid(s) on the Bid Date and make the certification required on the Bid Form.

Sixth Item: Project Team

The “Project Team” is a list of entities currently involved in the development of the Project. The Project Team includes entities already named in the Part 1 Proposal, namely the Bidder, the Seller (and all Partners for a Joint Venture). The Project Team is not expected to include entities whose anticipated role in the development of the Project would begin after the Commission decision on the procurement event or whose role was already completed as of the opening of the Part 1 Window. **THE BIDDER MUST IDENTIFY EACH ENTITY THAT HAS A ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT.**

Are there other entities involved in the development of the Project other than those already named in the Part 1 Proposal?

Yes

No

If YES, the Bidder must identify these other entities by fully completing the Project Team Insert prepared for this purpose.

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

THE PROJECT TEAM INSERT MAY BE PROVIDED BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE PROJECT TEAM INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Project Team Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-2.

Name of Bidder

Name of Seller

Names of Partners **FOR A JOINT VENTURE ONLY**; otherwise please leave this field blank

PROJECT TEAM INSERT (#P 1-2)

The “Project Team” is the list of entities currently involved in the development of the Project. The Project Team includes entities already named in the Part 1 Proposal, namely the Bidder, the Seller (and all Partners for a Joint Venture). These entities already named in the Part 1 Proposal are also named again above.

PLEASE IDENTIFY BELOW ANY ENTITY (NOT ALREADY NAMED IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL) THAT HAS A ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT. FOR EACH SUCH ENTITY, PLEASE PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BELOW. The Project Team is not expected to include entities whose anticipated role in the development of the Project would begin after the Commission decision on the procurement event or whose role was already completed as of the opening of the Part 1 Window.

Project Team Entity 1

Legal Name of Entity

In which activities related to the development of the Project does the entity have a role? (Select all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Permitting | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Sponsorship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Procurement | <input type="checkbox"/> Financing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Providing Advice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | |

Does the entity have a role in the preparation and submission of the Proposal?

- Yes No

Is the entity the parent or ultimate parent to the Seller?

- Yes No

Project Team Entity 2

Legal Name of Entity

In which activities related to the development of the Project does the entity have a role? (Select all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Permitting | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Sponsorship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Procurement | <input type="checkbox"/> Financing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Providing Advice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | |

Does the entity have a role in the preparation and submission of the Proposal?

- Yes No

Is the entity the parent or ultimate parent to the Seller?

- Yes No

Space is provided for additional Project Team entities in Microsoft Excel format.

Seventh Item: Contributors and Confidentiality of Information

A “Contributor” is an individual expected to make specific and material contributions to preparing and submitting this Proposal and any additional Proposal(s) presented by the Bidder. The Contributors include individuals already named in the Part 1 Proposal, including the Officer of the Seller and the Representatives (and all Signatories for a Joint Venture).

A Contributor is privy to Confidential Information relating to the Proposal by virtue of the Contributor’s involvement in the preparation or submission of the Proposal. “Confidential Information relating to the Proposal” includes but is not limited to: the fact that a Proposal is presented for the Project in this procurement event; the specific contents of the Proposal for the Project including the elements of the Bid for the Project; estimation of the value of RECs for the Project’s Technology; and the estimation of the risks associated with providing RECs under the terms of the Indexed REC Contract.

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS, NAMELY INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE SPECIFIC AND MATERIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO PREPARING AND SUBMITTING THE PROPOSAL. IF THE BIDDER IS PRESENTING PROPOSALS FOR MULTIPLE PROJECTS, THE BIDDER MUST IDENTIFY THE SAME CONTRIBUTORS FOR ALL SUCH PROPOSALS.

Contributors for Projects presented by a Bidder may communicate Confidential Information relating to the Proposals for such Projects with each other but only with each other. The Officer of the Seller and the Representatives of the Bidder are responsible for ensuring that, for the period starting with the opening of the Part 1 Window through the Commission decision on the results of the procurement event, all Contributors communicate Confidential Information relating to the Proposal only with each other and not to any other party. A sample of a [confidentiality agreement](#) and a [confidentiality process](#) that Bidders and Sellers can use, at their option, to ensure that the confidentiality of the Proposal is properly maintained is available on the procurement website. In the Part 2 Proposal, the Officer of the Seller and a representative of the Bidder are required to acknowledge this obligation and to certify that all necessary measures to meet this obligation have been undertaken.

Are there Contributors, individuals expected to make specific and material contributions to preparing and submitting this Proposal, in addition to the individuals already named in the Part 1 Proposal?

Yes No

If YES, the Bidder must provide the list of Contributors by fully completing the Contributor Insert prepared for this purpose.

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

Has the Bidder already provided the list of Contributors in a previously submitted Part 1 Proposal for another Project?

Yes No

If YES, these Contributors serve for all Projects presented by the Bidder. Please proceed to the next section.

If NO, the Bidder must list these Contributors by fully completing the Contributor Insert prepared for this purpose.

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PLEASE FULLY COMPLETE THE CONTRIBUTOR INSERT. THE CONTRIBUTOR INSERT MAY BE PROVIDED BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE CONTRIBUTOR INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Contributor Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-3.

Name of Bidder

CONTRIBUTOR INSERT (#P1-3)

PLEASE PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BELOW FOR EACH CONTRIBUTOR. The following requirements apply:

- If the Bidder is presenting Proposals for multiple Projects, the Bidder must identify the same Contributors for all such Proposals and such Bidder is only required to submit the information regarding the Contributors once in a Part 1 Proposal for one of the Projects;
- Individuals employed by the Seller and concerned with the Project are Contributors. Such individuals may but need not be identified as additional Contributors in this Insert;
- Individuals employed by the Bidder and concerned with the Project are Contributors. Such individuals may but need not be identified as additional Contributors in this Insert;
- In the case of a Joint Venture, individuals employed by a Partner and concerned with the Project are Contributors. Such individuals may but need not be identified as additional Contributors in this Insert.

Contact Information for Contributor

Given Name(s)

Last Name

Entity by which Contributor is Employed

Email Address

Contact Information for Contributor

Given Name(s)

Last Name

Entity by which Contributor is Employed

Email Address

Space is provided for additional Contributors in Microsoft Excel format.

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2. Project Information

First Item: Technology

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE TECHNOLOGY OF THE PROJECT, NAMELY WHETHER THE PROJECT IS A UTILITY-SCALE WIND PROJECT, UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECT, BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT, OR A HYDROPOWER PROJECT. IF THE PROJECT IS A HYDROPOWER PROJECT, PLEASE SPECIFY WHETHER THE PROJECT IS A NEW HYDROPOWER PROJECT OR A MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECT, AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

Please specify the technology of the Project.

- Utility-Scale Wind
- Utility-Scale Solar
- Brownfield Site Photovoltaic
- Hydropower Project

If a hydropower project, please specify:

- New Hydropower Project**, which is a new hydropower facility, including impoundment facilities, diversion facilities, and pumped storage facilities that use the flow of water to generate electricity or storage, at an existing dam; or
- Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project**, which is a project that involves construction, repair, maintenance, or significant expansion of turbines at an existing hydropower facility, including impoundment facilities, diversion facilities, and pumped storage facilities that use the flow of water to generate electricity or storage, located at an existing dam or of an existing hydropower dam.

Second Item: Project Description

FOR UTILITY-SCALE WIND, UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR, AND BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS PLEASE PROVIDE:

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT IN MW (AC RATING) ROUNDED TO TWO (2) DECIMALS. For utility-scale wind projects and utility-scale solar projects, the size of the Project must be greater than 5,000 kW (AC rating). There is no minimum size requirement for brownfield site photovoltaic projects. Once the Part 1 Proposal is complete, the size of the Project cannot be changed for purposes of the Part 2 Proposal. For avoidance of doubt, the restriction to size changes is limited from the time the Part 1 Proposal is complete through fourteen (14) business days after the anticipated date of the Commission decision on the procurement event; and there is no prohibition to Project size changes during the term of the Indexed REC Contract.

Size of the Project in MW (AC rating)

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE “DATE OF FIRST OPERATION” FOR THE PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN THE INDEXED REC CONTRACT, OR THE EXPECTED DATE OF FIRST OPERATION. A Project is “Operational” if the Date of First Operation for the Project has been reached. If the Project is Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the Date of First Operation for the Project must be provided and cannot have occurred on or before June 1, 2017. If the Project is not yet Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the expected Date of First Operation must be consistent with the terms of the Indexed REC Contract.

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Date of First Operation (actual or expected)

A Bidder must specify a full quantity in the Bid, which is an annual quantity of RECs that the Seller is offering to deliver for the Project. The full quantity is subject to a maximum, based on a capacity factor of 45% for a utility-scale wind project and a capacity factor of 30% for utility-scale solar and brownfield site photovoltaic projects, unless evidence to support a higher capacity factor is provided below.

A Bidder may provide evidence to support a higher capacity factor for the Project in the Part 1 Proposal.

THE BIDDER MAY PROVIDE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT A CAPACITY FACTOR FOR THE PROJECT THAT IS HIGHER THAN 45% FOR A UTILITY-SCALE WIND PROJECT AND HIGHER THAN 30% FOR UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR AND BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS. As evidence, the Bidder must provide: (i) an estimate of energy production for the Project and (ii) any relevant design specifications that support the higher capacity factor.



FOR NEW HYDROPOWER PROJECTS PLEASE PROVIDE:

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT IN MW (AC RATING) ROUNDED TO TWO (2) DECIMALS. There is no minimum or maximum size requirement for hydropower Projects. Once the Part 1 Proposal is complete, the size of the Project cannot be changed for purposes of the Part 2 Proposal. For avoidance of doubt, the restriction to size changes is limited from the time the Part 1 Proposal is complete through fourteen (14) business days after the anticipated date of the Commission decision on the procurement event; and there is no prohibition to Project size changes during the term of the Indexed REC Contract.

Size of the Project in MW (AC rating)

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE “DATE OF FIRST OPERATION” FOR THE PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN THE INDEXED REC CONTRACT, OR THE EXPECTED DATE OF FIRST OPERATION. A Project is “Operational” if the Date of First Operation for the Project has been reached. If the Project is Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the Date of First Operation for the Project must be provided and cannot have occurred on or before June 1, 2017. If the Project is not yet Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the expected Date of First Operation must be consistent with the terms of the Indexed REC Contract.

Date of First Operation (actual or expected)

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FOR MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECTS PLEASE PROVIDE:

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE SIZE OF THE HYDROPOWER FACILITY UPON COMPLETION OF THE MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED ACTIVITIES IN MW (AC RATING) ROUNDED TO TWO (2) DECIMALS.

Size of the hydropower facility upon completion of the Modernized or Retooled activities in MW (AC rating)

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE “HYDROPOWER REFURBISHMENT COMPLETION DATE” FOR THE PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN THE INDEXED REC CONTRACT, OR THE EXPECTED HYDROPOWER REFURBISHMENT COMPLETION DATE. The Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date is defined in the Indexed REC Contract as the date for which the Modernized or Retooled activities have been completed. A Project is “Operational” if the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date for the Project has been reached. If the Project is Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the date cannot have occurred on or before June 1, 2017. If the Project is not yet Operational as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the expected date must be consistent with the terms of the Indexed REC Contract.

Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date (actual or expected)

3. Equity and Labor Commitments

First Item: Minimum Equity Standard

THIS ITEM IS NOT APPLICABLE IF THE DATE OF FIRST OPERATION FOR THE PROJECT WAS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 15, 2022, OR FOR A MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECT, IF THE HYDROPOWER REFURBISHMENT COMPLETION DATE, AS DEFINED IN THE INDEXED REC CONTRACT, WAS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 15, 2022. THE BIDDER CONFIRMED WHETHER THE DATE OF FIRST OPERATION OR THE HYDROPOWER REFURBISHMENT COMPLETION DATE FOR THE PROJECT WAS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 15, 2022 IN THE FIRST ITEM UNDER SECTION 1 OF THIS PART 1 FORM.

A Minimum Equity Standard (“MES”) of 14% will apply under the Indexed REC Contract to a Project selected through this RFP if the Date of First Operation is on or after December 15, 2022 or for a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project, if the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date, as defined in the Indexed REC Contract, is on or after December 15, 2022. At least 14% of the Project Workforce in each applicable delivery year shall be performed by Equity Eligible Persons or Equity Eligible Contractors, as these terms are defined in the Indexed REC Contract. The MES applies for each delivery year in which Construction Activities are carried out through the Date of First Operation, or if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project through the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date. The reporting requirements related to the MES are detailed in Section 6.4 of the Indexed REC Contract.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 MINIMUM EQUITY STANDARD INSERT (#P1-4)

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I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller],

1. acknowledge that a Minimum Equity Standard of 14% applies to the Project Workforce for each delivery year in which Construction Activities are performed through the Date of First Operation for a utility-scale wind project, a utility-scale solar project, a brownfield site photovoltaic project, or a New Hydropower Project; or through the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project; and
2. acknowledge the reporting requirements under Section 6.4 of the Indexed REC Contract.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

Second Item: Equity Level Commitment

THIS ITEM DOES NOT APPLY IF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE PROJECT HAVE BEGUN AS OF THE SUBMISSION OF THE PART 1 PROPOSAL.

Under the Indexed REC Contract, "Construction Activities" means activities related to the Project that includes not only construction, but also any maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented and all construction work performed by Seller, including its contractors and subcontractors, relating to construction, maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work in relation to the Project, and in the case of a hydropower Project that is newly Modernized or Retooled, Construction Activities shall also include activities set forth in the definition of "Modernized or Retooled" in the Indexed REC Contract.

Have Construction Activities begun for the Project as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal?

Yes

No

If NO, please see the next question.

If YES, please proceed to the next section.

If Construction Activities for the Project have not yet begun, the Seller may, but is not required to, commit to an Equity Level (%) greater than the MES of 14% in order to qualify for a reduction in the Strike Price for evaluation purposes, as described in paragraph I.2.11 of the RFP Rules. A Seller that makes a commitment greater than 14% under this item should be aware that:

- If the Project is selected and approved by the ICC, the Seller must meet the requirements in Section 2.5 of the Indexed REC Contract in addition to meeting the reporting requirements related to the MES under Section 6.4. Under Section 2.5, the Seller must provide to the Companies and the Illinois Power Agency information and documentation to verify the commitment has been met within thirty (30) days of the Date of First Operation or the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project;
- Regardless of whether construction of the Project spans multiple delivery years, the fulfillment of this commitment will be measured for the entirety of the period for which Construction Activities occurred up through the Date of First Operation, or the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project, and not for each delivery year separately; and

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- If the Seller commits to an Equity Level (%) greater than the MES of 14% and if the Seller fails to demonstrate, and the IPA is unable to verify, that the Equity Level (%) for the Project is met, the Indexed REC Contract will be terminated, and the Company shall be entitled to payment by the Seller of the Collateral Requirement and 100% of the total payments Seller received from the Company.

Is the Seller opting to commit to an Equity Level (%) greater than the Minimum Equity Standard of 14%?

Yes

No

If NO, please proceed to the next section.

If YES, please provide the required information below.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE EQUITY LEVEL (%) FOR THE PROJECT THAT IS GREATER THAN 14%.

Equity Level (%)

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 EQUITY LEVEL INSERT (#P1-5)

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1. certify that the percentage of the Project Workforce for the Project through the Date of First Operation, or through the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date for a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project, that is comprised of Equity Eligible Persons or Equity Eligible Contractors will be at least the Equity Level (%) indicated in the Part 1 Proposal;
2. acknowledge that the Seller will be subject to the reporting requirements under Section 2.5(b) of the Indexed REC Contract;
3. certify that the narrative plan to meet the Equity Level (%) as well as the letter(s) of intent or evidence of current employment are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
4. acknowledge that if the Seller commits to an Equity Level (%) greater than the MES of 14% and if the Seller fails to demonstrate, and the IPA is unable to verify, that the Equity Level (%) for the Project as indicated in the Part 1 Proposal is met, the Indexed REC Contract will be terminated, and each Company shall be entitled to payment by the Seller in the amount of (i) the Collateral Requirement and (ii) 100% of the total payments Seller has received from each such Company.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A NARRATIVE PLAN TO MEET THE EQUITY LEVEL (%) INCLUDING THE BULLETED INFORMATION BELOW.

The narrative plan must include the following items:

- a narrative description of how the Seller will ensure that at least the Equity Level (%) will be met;
- a statement of intent to comply with all necessary requirements set forth in Public Act 102-0662 relating to the Minimum Equity Standard and agreement to comply with certain obligations, including hiring a diverse project workforce and working with Equity Eligible Contractors, where applicable;
- the total projected number of workers related to Construction Activities up to the point of the Date of First Operation, or up to the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project;
- plans for the use of Equity Eligible Contractors, if applicable;
- Seller classification (i.e., Minority-owned business enterprise, Woman-owned business enterprise, Disabled-owned business, Veteran-owned business, Small business, etc.), if applicable;
- the qualifying Equity Eligible Person category/categories the Seller seeks to hire, if known; and
- a communication plan for local outreach to increase the utilization of Equity Eligible Persons and Equity Eligible Contractors. The Procurement Administrator will provide a list of sample questions that might be answered as part of this communication plan for local outreach.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE NARRATIVE PLAN BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR.



THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE LETTER(S) OF INTENT OR EVIDENCE OF CURRENT EMPLOYMENT RELATED TO 50% TIMES THE EQUITY LEVEL (%) TIMES THE TOTAL PROJECTED NUMBER OF WORKERS IN THE PROJECT WORKFORCE DURING DELIVERY YEARS FOR WHICH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES WILL BE PERFORMED UP TO THE POINT OF THE DATE OF FIRST OPERATION, OR UP TO THE HYDROPOWER REFINISHMENT COMPLETION DATE IF THE PROJECT IS A MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECT, AS

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PROVIDED IN THE NARRATIVE PLAN. Any letter of intent or evidence of current employment must meet the minimum requirements provided in Appendix 14 to the RFP Rules.

PLEASE PROVIDE LETTER(S) OF INTENT OR EVIDENCE OF CURRENT EMPLOYMENT BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR.



Third Item: Project Labor Agreement

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ITEM APPLY TO UTILITY-SCALE WIND PROJECTS, UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS, BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS, AND MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECTS.

Has construction for the Project begun as of submission of the Part 1 Proposal?

Yes

No

If NO, please provide the P1 Project Labor Agreement Insert prepared for this purpose. **THE BIDDER PROVIDES THE P1 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT INSERT BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE P1 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE.** The P1 Project Labor Agreement Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-6.

Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT INSERT (#P1-6)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller],

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1. acknowledge the Project Labor Agreements Requirements provided in Section 6.3 of the Indexed REC Contract;
2. certify that the Project will be built by General Contractors that have entered into a Project Labor Agreement, as this term is defined in the Indexed REC Contract, prior to construction;
3. acknowledge that the Project Labor Agreement shall specify the terms and conditions as defined by the Project Labor Agreements Act and the IPA Act. Specifically, each Project Labor Agreement shall: (a) set forth effective, immediate, and mutually binding procedures for resolving jurisdictional labor disputes and grievances arising before the completion of work, (b) contain guarantees against strikes, lockouts, or similar actions, (c) ensure a reliable source of skilled and experienced labor, (d) contain provisions for minorities and women as defined under the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act, set forth goals for apprenticeship hours to be performed by minorities and women and set forth goals for total hours to be performed by underrepresented minorities and women, (e) permit the selection of the lowest qualified responsible bidder, without regard to union or non-union status at other construction sites, (f) bind all contractors and subcontractors on the public works project through the inclusion of appropriate bid specifications in all relevant bid documents, and (g) include such other terms as the parties deem appropriate; and
4. acknowledge that the Project Labor Agreement shall cover all terms and conditions of employment on a specific construction project and must include the following: (aa) provisions establishing the minimum hourly wage for each class of labor organization employee; (bb) provisions establishing the benefits and other compensation for each class of labor organization employee; (cc) provisions establishing that no strike or disputes will be engaged in by the labor organization employees; (dd) provisions establishing that no lockout or disputes will be engaged in by the General Contractor building the project; (ee) provisions for minorities and women, as defined under the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act, setting forth goals for apprenticeship hours to be performed by minorities and women and setting forth goals for total hours to be performed by underrepresented minorities and women; and (ff) the efforts that Seller will take or has taken to achieve such goals, including recruitment of minorities and women into apprenticeship roles. A labor organization and the General Contractor building the project shall have the authority to include other terms and conditions as they deem necessary.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

If YES, please provide the following information.

Did construction for the Project begin prior to September 15, 2021?

Yes

No

If YES, please proceed to Section 4. The requirements under this item do not apply to a Project if construction began prior to September 15, 2021, the date that Public Act 102-0662 became effective.

If NO,

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT(S) AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FOR THE PROJECT HAVE BEEN FILED WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE IPA BY EMAIL TO IPA.PLA@ILLINOIS.GOV. SUCH EVIDENCE MAY BE PROVIDED BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:

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Evidence that the IPA has determined that such Project Labor Agreement(s) and any amendments meet the requirements under the IPA Act and the Project Labor Agreements Act is due by the Part 2 Date. **If the IPA has already determined that such Project Labor Agreement(s) and any amendments meet the requirements, evidence of this determination may be provided by upload below or by email to the Procurement Administrator:**



ILLUSTRATIVE

4. Location Requirements for Utility-Scale Wind and Utility-Scale Solar Projects

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY TO UTILITY-SCALE WIND AND UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS.

First Item: Location Information

Is the Project located in Illinois?

Yes

No

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A COMPLETE ADDRESS FOR THE PROJECT.

Project Street Address

City

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State

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Zip Code

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IF THE PROJECT IS LOCATED IN ILLINOIS, please proceed to the next item.

IF THE PROJECT IS LOCATED IN A STATE ADJACENT TO ILLINOIS AND HAS BEEN PRE-APPROVED BY THE IPA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ILLINOIS RPS COMPLIANCE BASED ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST CRITERIA, please provide the information required by this item by upload or by email to the Procurement Administrator.

PLEASE PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT THE IPA HAS DETERMINED THAT THE PROJECT MEETS THE PUBLIC INTEREST CRITERIA OF THE ACT AND HAS BEEN PRE-APPROVED BY THE IPA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ILLINOIS RPS COMPLIANCE. Instructions for obtaining such approval are available from the Procurement Administrator.



Second Item: Energy Transition Community Grant Area

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ITEM APPLY ONLY TO A PROJECT LOCATED IN ILLINOIS.

Is at least 50% of the Project Site located within an Energy Transition Community Grant Area (“ETCGA”)? An Energy Transition Community Grant Area is an area that is both within a 30-mile radius of the coordinates associated with a plant or mine in Table A in Appendix 16 to the RFP Rules and within Illinois. The Project may be located in more than one ETCGA.

Yes

No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please complete this item.

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THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE NAME OF THE PLANT(S) AND/OR MINE(S) FROM TABLE A ASSOCIATED WITH THE ETCGA(S) APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT.

Name of plant(s) and/or mine(s) from Table A in Appendix 16 to the RFP Rules

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PLEASE PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT AT LEAST 50% OF THE PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED IN THE APPLICABLE ETCGA(S). SUCH EVIDENCE MAY BE A MAP THAT CLEARLY DISPLAYS THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE PLANT(S) AND/OR MINE(S) AND THE PROJECT SITE AND INCLUDES THE NAMES OF THE PLANT(S) AND/OR MINE(S).

PLEASE PROVIDE THE ENERGY TRANSITION COMMUNITY GRANT INSERT BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR. THE ENERGY TRANSITION COMMUNITY GRANT INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Energy Transition Community Grant Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-7.

Name of Project

Name of Seller

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ENERGY TRANSITION COMMUNITY GRANT INSERT (#P1-7)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

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1. At least 50% of the Project site will be located within the boundary of the Energy Transition Community Grant Area(s) associated with the plant(s) and/or mine(s) named in the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

Third Item: Project Site Map

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A MAP OF THE PROJECT SITE BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



The map of the Project site must include a boundary line that clearly shows the site location. The Procurement Administrator may request additional information regarding the Project site. If the Project is selected by the evaluation in this RFP and approved by the Commission, the map of the Project site provided by the Bidder in its Proposal will become part of the Indexed REC Contract. With each REC delivery, the Seller will be required to represent that at least 50% of the Project is located within the physical location, identified by the boundary line, provided in the Proposal. The boundary line may contain land other than the parcels of land that have been secured at the time of the Proposal.

5. Location and Regulatory Requirements for Brownfield Site Photovoltaic Projects

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY TO BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS.

First Item: Location and Project Site Information

PROJECTS MUST BE LOCATED IN ILLINOIS AND MUST BE ENTIRELY CONTAINED WITHIN THE BROWNFIELD SITE. THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A COMPLETE ADDRESS FOR THE PROJECT. IF THE PROJECT IS CO-LOCATED WITH ANOTHER FACILITY ON A GREENFIELD SITE, THE BIDDER MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT.

Is the Project located in Illinois?

Yes No

Is the Project co-located with another facility on a greenfield site?

Yes No

Project Street Address

City

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State

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Zip Code

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THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A MAP OF THE PROJECT SITE BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



The map of the Project site must include a boundary line that clearly shows the site location. The Procurement Administrator may request additional information regarding the Project site.

If the Project is selected by the evaluation in this RFP and approved by the Commission, the map of the Project site provided by the Bidder in its Proposal will become part of the Indexed REC Contract. With each REC delivery, the Seller will be required to represent that the Project is entirely located within the physical location, identified by the boundary line, provided in the Proposal. The boundary line may contain land other than the parcels of land that have been secured at the time of the Proposal.

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE STATUS OF REMEDIATION OF THE PROJECT SITE IN THE FIELD BELOW.

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Second Item: Applicable Regulation

THE BIDDER MUST INDICATE WHETHER THE PROJECT SITE (A) IS AN AREA THAT IS REGULATED BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES UNDER THE FOLLOWING FOUR “PROGRAMS” (OPTIONS 1-4 BELOW) OR (B) IS LOCATED AT THE SITE OF A COAL MINE THAT HAS PERMANENTLY CEASED COAL PRODUCTION,

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PERMANENTLY HALTED ANY RE-MINING OPERATIONS, AND IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING ANY COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUES (OPTION 5 BELOW).

- 1) The United States Environmental Protection Agency under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (“CERCLA”)
- 2) The United States Environmental Protection Agency (“U.S. EPA”) under the Corrective Action Program of the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (“RCRA”)
- 3) The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (“IEPA”) under the Illinois Solid Waste Program
- 4) The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency under the Illinois Site Remediation Program (“IEPA SRP”)
- 5) The Project site is located at the site of a coal mine that has permanently ceased coal production, permanently halted any re-mining operations, and is no longer accepting any coal combustion residues.

If (1) – (4), please proceed to the next (third) item.

If (5), please proceed to the fifth item.

Third Item: Supporting Documentation for Projects Regulated by one of the Programs

THE BIDDER MUST SUBMIT SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION, DATED NO EARLIER THAN 25 YEARS PRIOR TO THE BID DATE, TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE PROJECT SITE IS REGULATED BY THE PROGRAM NAMED IN THE IMMEDIATELY PREVIOUS ITEM.

Sufficient documentation means:

CERCLA	a site assessment, remedy decision, cleanup plan, or similar document
RCRA	a demonstration of the U.S. EPA requiring corrective action such as a permit application, administrative order, court order, or equivalent document
IEPA Solid Waste Program	a solid waste permit under 35 Ill. Adm. Code subchapter i, an annual report filed under 35 Ill. Adm. Code subchapter i Part 815, a construction or operating permit under 35 Ill. Adm. Code subchapter j, or an initial operating permit application submitted to the IEPA required by 35 Ill. Adm. Code subchapter j
IEPA Site Remediation Program	a Site Investigation Report, or a Remedial Action Plan, or a Remedial Action Completion Report, or a No Further Remediation Letter

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE ONE OF THE APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS LISTED ABOVE BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



The Procurement Administrator may consider other forms of documentation provided by the Bidder to demonstrate regulation under the above Programs if appropriate.

Fourth Item: Additional Documentation for Projects Regulated by the IEPA SRP

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THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ITEM APPLY ONLY TO SITES REGULATED BY THE IEPA SITE REMEDIATION PROGRAM.

THE BIDDER MUST DEMONSTRATE ACTUAL BLIGHT OR CONTAMINATION OF THE SITE BY FULLY COMPLETING THE IEPA SRP INSERT. THE IEPA SRP INSERT MAY BE PROVIDED BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE IEPA SRP INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The IEPA SRP Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-8.

Name of Project

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IEPA SRP INSERT (#P1-8)

For Project sites regulated by the IEPA Site Remediation Program, the Bidder must demonstrate actual blight or contamination of the site. Please indicate below which additional documentation the Bidder is providing for this purpose.

- (A) proof that the Project site is also regulated by another Program referenced in Section 1-10 of the IPA Act (if documentation from another Program could not be submitted instead of the documentation from the IEPA Site Remediation Program because it was dated before a date 25 years prior to the Bid Date)
- (B) demonstration of contamination at the Project site and determination of the need for remediation activities through a site assessment from the U.S. EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessment
- (C) additional documents from the IEPA Site Remediation Program

If the Bidder elected (A) or (B) above, the Insert is complete and the Bidder is not required to respond to any of the questions below.

If the Bidder elected (C) above, please provide the documents and information required below. Please respond to all items and questions below.

First Item: Remedial Action Plan

Please provide a Remedial Action Plan issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program for the Project site by email to the Procurement Administrator or by upload to the Justification of Omissions Section of the online

Part 1 Form. Such document must demonstrate that concentrations of contaminants at the Project site exceeded the remediation objectives established for the Project site and require remediation activities.

Second Item: Remedial Action Completion Report

Has the IEPA Site Remediation Program issued a Remedial Action Completion Report for the Project site?

Yes No

If YES:

Please provide the Remedial Action Completion Report issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program for the Project site by email to the Procurement Administrator or by upload to the Justification of Omissions Section of the online Part 1 Form. Such document must state that remediation was indeed conducted at the Project site and it must be dated later than the Remedial Action Plan.

If NO, please sign the following certification.

I, _____ [enter the name of representative of the Bidder] certify that the Remedial Action Completion Report has not been issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program for the Project site.

Signature of representative of the Bidder

Date

Third Item: No Further Remediation Letter

Has the IEPA Site Remediation Program issued a No Further Remediation Letter for the Project site?

Yes No

If YES:

Please provide the No Further Remediation Letter issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program for the Project site by email to the Procurement Administrator or by upload to the Justification of Omissions Section of the online Part 1 Form. Such document must cover the entirety of the Project site.

If NO, please sign the following certification.

I, _____ [enter the name of representative of the Bidder] certify that a No Further Remediation Letter has not been issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program for the Project site.

Signature of representative of the Bidder

Date

Fifth Item: Supporting Documentation for Projects Located at the Site of a Permanently Closed Coal Mine

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ITEM APPLY ONLY TO PROJECTS LOCATED AT THE SITE OF A COAL MINE THAT HAS PERMANENTLY CEASED COAL PRODUCTION, PERMANENTLY HALTED ANY RE-MINING OPERATIONS, AND IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING ANY COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUES.

The Officer of the Seller must make a certification regarding the coal mine at which the Project is located and the Bidder submit supporting documentation to demonstrate that the Project site has both completed all clean-up and remediation obligations under the federal Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1977 and all

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applicable Illinois rules and any other clean-up, remediation, or ongoing monitoring to safeguard the health and well-being of the people of the State of Illinois, as well as demonstrated compliance with all applicable federal and State environmental rules and regulations, including, but not limited, to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 845 and any rules for historic fill of coal combustion residuals, including any rules finalized in Subdocket A of Illinois Pollution Control Board docket R2020-019.

THE BIDDER SUBMITS THIS INFORMATION BY FULLY COMPLETING THE COAL MINE INSERT PREPARED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE BIDDER PROVIDES THE COAL MINE INSERT BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE COAL MINE INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Coal Mine Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-9.

Name of Project

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COAL MINE INSERT (#P1-9)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. as of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal, the coal mine at which the Project is located has permanently ceased coal production, permanently halted any re-mining operations, and is no longer accepting any coal combustion residues.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

The Bidder must also submit sufficient documentation to demonstrate that the Project site has both completed all clean-up and remediation obligations under the federal Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1977 and all applicable Illinois rules and any other clean-up, remediation, or ongoing monitoring to safeguard the health and well-being of the people of the State of Illinois, as well as demonstrated compliance with all applicable federal and State environmental rules and regulations, including, but not limited, to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part

845 and any rules for historic fill of coal combustion residuals, including any rules finalized in Subdocket A of Illinois Pollution Control Board docket R2020-019.

Sufficient documentation means **all of:**

- (i) a copy of the permit(s) for coal mining operation/operations including a copy of the reclamation plan approved by the Department of Natural Resources. The permit(s) must cover the Project site, which may be a portion of the coal mine;
- (ii) a copy of the Department of Natural Resources decision approving the permit(s); and
- (iii) documented confirmation that reclamation Phases I, II, and III have been completed for the Project site by providing evidence that the entirety of the performance bond for the Project site has been released.

Sufficient evidence of performance bond release at the completion of Phase III includes, but is not limited to, a screenshot from the Illinois Mine Permits map showing the Phase 3 Status is “Released” or other documentation.

The Procurement Administrator will consider other forms of supporting documentation provided by the Bidder.

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE COAL MINE INSERT AND REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:

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6. Requirements for Hydropower Projects

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY TO HYDROPOWER PROJECTS.

First Item: Location and Existing Dam Information

Is the Project located in Illinois?

Yes

No

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A COMPLETE ADDRESS FOR THE PROJECT.

Project Street Address

City

--

State

--

Zip Code

--

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE NAME OF THE EXISTING DAM AT WHICH THE PROJECT IS SITED.

Name of Existing Dam

--

IF THE PROJECT IS LOCATED IN ILLINOIS, please proceed to the next section.

IF THE PROJECT IS LOCATED IN A STATE ADJACENT TO ILLINOIS AND HAS BEEN PRE-APPROVED BY THE IPA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ILLINOIS RPS COMPLIANCE BASED ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST CRITERIA, please provide the information required by this item by upload or by email to the Procurement Administrator.

PLEASE PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT THE IPA HAS DETERMINED THAT THE PROJECT MEETS THE PUBLIC INTEREST CRITERIA OF THE ACT AND HAS BEEN PRE-APPROVED BY THE IPA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ILLINOIS RPS COMPLIANCE. Instructions for obtaining such approval are available from the Procurement Administrator.



Second Item: Hydropower Preference Community

A Hydropower Preference Community is either a designated environmental justice community (“EJC”), as defined by the IPA pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 1-56 of the IPA Act, or is a community with a median income that does not exceed 82% of the median income in the state of Illinois. A table with the current Hydropower Preference Communities is provided in Appendix 16 to the RFP Rules.

Is the Project Site located in or adjacent to a Hydropower Preference Community?

Yes

No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please complete this item.

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THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE NAME OF THE HYDROPOWER PREFERENCE COMMUNITY. If the Hydropower Preference Community is an EJC, please enter the relevant Block Group ID as the name below.

Name of Hydropower Preference Community

PLEASE PROVIDE THE HYDROPOWER PREFERENCE COMMUNITY INSERT BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR. THE HYDROPOWER PREFERENCE COMMUNITY INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The Hydropower Preference Community Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-14.

Name of Project

Name of Seller

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HYDROPOWER PREFERENCE COMMUNITY INSERT (#P1-14)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Project site will be located in or adjacent to the Hydropower Preference Community named in the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

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Third Item: Project Site Map

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE A MAP OF THE PROJECT SITE BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



The map of the Project site must clearly show the site location and the existing dam at which the Project is sited. The Procurement Administrator may request additional information regarding the Project site. If the Project is selected by the evaluation in this RFP and approved by the Commission, the map of the Project site provided by the Bidder in its Proposal will become part of the Indexed REC Contract. With each REC delivery, the Seller will be required to represent that at least 50% of the Project is located within the physical location identified in the Proposal.

Fourth Item: Project Description and Supporting Documentation

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE EXISTING FACILITIES AT THE PROJECT SITE.

PLEASE PROVIDE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT. FOR A MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED PROJECT, PLEASE DESCRIBE THE MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED ACTIVITIES AND EXPLAIN HOW THE EXISTING HYDROPOWER FACILITY UPON COMPLETION OF SUCH MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED ACTIVITIES WILL MEET THE HYDROPOWER REFURBISHMENT THRESHOLD UNDER THE INDEXED REC CONTRACT.

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE MILESTONES THAT HAVE BEEN REACHED IN PROJECT DEVELOPMENT (E.G. LICENSE APPLICATION SUBMITTED, INTERCONNECTION APPLICATION SUBMITTED, ETC.)

FOR NEW HYDROPOWER PROJECTS PLEASE PROVIDE:

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:

- (i) a filed application for a preliminary permit with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”);
- (ii) filed pre-application documents with the FERC for a license including both the notification of intent and the pre-application document; or
- (iii) a filed application with the FERC for an exemption from licensing.

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A MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECT MUST PROVIDE ONE OF THE DOCUMENTS BELOW. The documentation must provide evidence that there will be an increase in the installed capacity of the existing facility as a result of the Modernized or Retooled activities. The documentation and detailed description of the Modernized or Retooled activities provided under this item must reasonably demonstrate that the Project will meet the Hydropower Refurbishment Threshold under the Indexed REC Contract. The Procurement Administrator may request additional information regarding the information and documentation provided.

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:

- (i) a filed application with the FERC for a relicense,
- (ii) a filed application for an amendment to a current license,
- (iii) or a filed application for an exemption from licensing.



Fifth Item: Hydropower Representations about the Project

The Officer of the Seller must make certain representations applicable to the Project.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 HYDROPOWER PROJECT CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-15)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Project is a hydropower project as this term is defined in the RFP Rules and the Seller has made all investigations it deems necessary to make this determination;
2. the Project is associated with the existing dam identified in the Part 1 Proposal, and is not associated with new construction of a dam;
3. if the Project is a New Hydropower Project, as this term is defined in the RFP Rules, the Date of First Operation of the Project, as this term is defined in the Indexed REC Contract, did not occur on or before June 1, 2017;
4. if the Project is a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project, as this term is defined in the RFP Rules, the date by which all Modernized or Retooled activities related to the Project were completed (as referred to as the “Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date” in the Indexed REC Contract), did not occur on or before June 1, 2017;
5. the Project has reached the appropriate development milestones to fully expect that the Project will deliver its first REC to each Company by a date consistent with the terms of the Indexed REC Contract;
6. the Project has or will have a single revenue quality meter that satisfies the requirements of the applicable regional transmission organization, transmission provider, or distribution company and that measures or will measure its generation output;
7. the Project is or will be registered in PJM EIS GATS or M-RETS and the Seller will deliver RECs in an unretired state to the Companies by delivering such RECs through a standing order for the Project to each Company’s PJM EIS GATS or M-RETS account;
8. the Project is not and will not be a generating unit whose costs are being recovered through rates regulated by Illinois or any other state or states; and
9. the information provided in the Proposal regarding the Project, including the description of the Project site, is true, up-to-date, and accurate to the best of the Officer’s knowledge and belief.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

If any information provided in the Part 1 Proposal changes or any previous certification fails to remain valid, it is the sole responsibility of the Bidder and Seller to notify the Procurement Administrator.

Sixth Item: Representations about the Seller for Hydropower Projects

For hydropower projects, the Officer of the Seller must make certain representations applicable to the Seller and the Bidder.

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If the Seller knows that specific information in the Part 1 Proposal may change prior to the decision of the Illinois Commerce Commission on the results of this procurement event, these facts must be disclosed to the Procurement Administrator.

Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 SELLER (HYDROPOWER) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-16)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Seller as identified in the Proposal is the entity that will sign the Indexed REC Contracts with the Companies if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission;
2. the Seller understands and accepts the terms of the Indexed REC Contract;
3. The Seller accepts that the Seller cannot choose its counterparties to the Indexed REC Contract. The Seller accepts the fact that if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Procurement Administrator will allocate to each Company the number of RECs that the Seller will deliver to that Company;
4. the Seller, including its contractors and subcontractors, rendering services under the Indexed REC Contract will comply with the requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act, including but not limited to, all wage requirements and notice and record keeping duties, or if the Project is not located in Illinois, the Seller will demonstrate, at minimum, wage parity with the prevailing wage requirements in Illinois as required under the Indexed REC Contract;

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5. the Seller acknowledges that a Collateral Requirement equal to \$4 times the Annual Quantity from the Project is required during the term of the Indexed REC Contract and that such Collateral Requirement may be increased if the Project does not deliver a first REC to a Company by December 31, 2030;
6. the Part 1 Proposal will remain in full force and effect until fourteen (14) business days after the anticipated date of the Illinois Commerce Commission decision on the procurement event;
7. if, for any reason and due to any circumstance, any information provided in the Part 1 Proposal for a Project changes or any previous certification fails to remain valid before that date, the Bidder or Seller will notify the Procurement Administrator of such change as soon as practicable, and failing to do so may result in disqualification of the Project;
8. the submission of the Part 1 Proposal constitutes the Bidder's and the Seller's acceptance of all the terms and conditions of the RFP Rules, regardless of the outcome of the RFP or the outcome of such Proposal;
9. the Officer of the Seller has no knowledge of the Bidder, the Seller, or any other entity currently involved in the development of the Project being part of a bidding agreement, a bidding consortium, or any other type of agreement with another Bidder related to bidding in this RFP;
10. all information provided in the Part 1 Proposal is true and accurate to the best of the Officer's knowledge and belief;
11. the Seller is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal; and
12. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that the Seller owns the Project and fully expects to own the Project at the time of execution of the Indexed REC Contracts.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

IF A SELLER KNOWS THAT SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL MAY CHANGE PRIOR TO THE DECISION OF THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION ON THE RESULTS OF THIS PROCUREMENT EVENT, THE SELLER MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW.

IF A SELLER CANNOT CERTIFY THAT IT OWNS THE PROJECT AND THAT IT WILL OWN THE PROJECT AT THE TIME OF EXECUTION OF THE INDEXED REC CONTRACTS, THE SELLER MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW. A Seller that does not own the Project but has full title to the RECs produced by the Project will be required to provide documentation that shows this to be the case. If a change in ownership of the Project is anticipated or possible, the Bidder must advise the Procurement Administrator. The entity named in the Part 1 Proposal as the Seller cannot be changed once the Part 1 Proposal is evaluated to be complete and such entity must be the entity that signs the Indexed REC Contracts if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission.

If the Officer of the Seller cannot make the last representation, number 11, on behalf of the Bidder, then a representative of the Bidder must make this representation separately below.

I, _____ [enter the name of the representative of the Bidder], certify that:

11. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of representative of the Bidder

Date

A Bidder found to be acting in concert with another Bidder, directly or through an entity involved in the development of Projects for both Bidders, will be disqualified by the Procurement Administrator.

Seventh Item: Additional Representations for Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Projects

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ITEM APPLY ONLY TO MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECTS.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 MODERNIZED OR RETOOLED HYDROPOWER PROJECT CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-17)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. there will be an increase to the installed capacity of the existing hydropower facility as a result of the Modernized or Retooled activities;
2. under the Indexed REC Contract, the Seller must demonstrate that the Actual Production of the existing hydropower facility has increased by at least 30% as a result of the newly Modernized or Retooled activities such that the annual Actual Production for at least one (1) Delivery Year shall meet or exceed the Hydropower Refurbishment Threshold within the first three (3) full Delivery Years after the Hydropower Refurbishment Completion Date, as these terms are defined in the Indexed REC Contract; and
3. if a Bid for a Modernized or Retooled Hydropower Project is selected and approved by the Commission, all RECs from the hydropower facility upon completion of the Modernized or Retooled activities are deemed eligible for Illinois RPS compliance.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

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7. Additional Project Information

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY TO UTILITY-SCALE WIND, UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR, AND BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS.

First Item: Project Maturity

To demonstrate adequate project maturity, a Bidder must provide, if available for the Project, one of the following:

- (i) the Queue/OASIS ID from PJM and a copy of the completed System Impact Study from PJM for the Project; or
- (ii) the Project Number from MISO and a copy of the Preliminary System Impact Study under Definitive Planning Phase 1 (“DPP 1”) under the DPP-2020-Cycle 1 or a later study cycle; or
- (iii) the Project Number from MISO and a copy of the fully executed interconnection agreement for the Project; or
- (iv) a fully executed interconnection agreement with a utility for the Project.

Are any of the documents i) – iv), or a document that shows that the Project is further in the interconnection process, available for the Project?

- Yes No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please provide all information required by this item.

THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE ONE OF THE DOCUMENTS LISTED ABOVE BY UPLOAD BELOW OR BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE PROJECT IF INTERCONNECTING WITH PJM OR MISO:

Queue/OASIS ID from PJM or Project Number from MISO

Second Item: Project Maturity (through site control)

If none of the documents required by the previous item is available for the Project, then the Bidder must: (i) if available, provide the Queue/OASIS ID from PJM, the Project Number from MISO, or the applicable ID/Number associated with the Project under the interconnection process with a utility; (ii) describe the stage of development of the Project applicable to the point of interconnection (including providing the name of the regional transmission organization or utility with which the Project plans to interconnect; e.g., PJM, Ameren, etc.) and to the size of the Project; and (iii) demonstrate control for a portion of the Project site as described in the RFP Rules.

THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT DETERMINES THE AREA FOR WHICH SITE CONTROL MUST BE DEMONSTRATED IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL. An Owner is an individual or entity that has ownership over the entirety or over a portion of the Project site. The area for which site control is demonstrated must be at least ____ acres (40

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acres times the Project size for a utility-scale wind Project, 4 acres times the Project size for a utility-scale solar Project, and at least 3 acres times the Project size for a brownfield site photovoltaic Project). Documentation for this purpose must be one of the following:

- (i) document showing that the Bidder (or Seller or an affiliate of Seller) owns the Project site;
- (ii) an executed lease agreement or easement between the Bidder (or Seller or an affiliate of the Seller) and the Owner or Owners; or
- (iii) an executed option, between the Bidder (or Seller or an affiliate of Seller) and the Owner or Owners, with a unilateral right to lease or purchase the Project site; or
- (iv) a memorandum of understanding between the Owner or Owners and the Bidder (or Seller or an affiliate of Seller) regarding a lease, easement, exclusive option, or sale of the Project site; or
- (v) a letter of intent executed by the Owner or Owners stating the intention to deal exclusively with the Bidder (or Seller or an affiliate of Seller) to enter into an agreement for a lease, an easement, an exclusive option, or the sale of the Project site; or
- (vi) other document demonstrating a right to develop the Project on the site.

If the Bidder submits a document under (vi), the Procurement Administrator may require additional information. Any such document must be valid through a date no earlier than June 29, 2026, which is the date at which the Indexed REC Contracts execution formalities are expected to be completed. The Procurement Administrator may require clarification or additional documentation if a document submitted to demonstrate site control expires prior to that date. The specific financial terms of the agreement with an Owner may be redacted.

PLEASE UPLOAD DOCUMENTATION DEMONSTRATING EXCLUSIVE CONTROL FOR THE REQUIRED AREA OR SUBMIT SUCH DOCUMENTATION BY EMAIL TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:

IF THE DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED NAMES AN AFFILIATE OF THE SELLER PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX:

Additional Documentation for Area Controlled by Owner

If the documentation demonstrating site control includes the number of acres controlled by an Owner then no additional documentation is required for that Owner. Otherwise, (if the number of acres controlled by an Owner is not included in the documentation provided to show site control), the Bidder must provide additional documentation from which the Procurement Administrator can verify the number of acres controlled by such Owner. Such additional documentation includes:

- (i) tax records;
- (ii) memorandums of agreement filed with the county that provide acreage in the description of the property;
- (iii) publicly available maps sufficiently detailed to allow for verification of the number of acres controlled by each Owner;
- (iv) a document signed by the Owner or an email from the Owner that states the number of acres controlled by such Owner; or

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(v) other corroborating documents regarding the number of acres controlled by such Owner.

PLEASE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION FOR THE NUMBER OF ACRES CONTROLLED BY THE OWNER AS NEEDED BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE.



Additional information may be required by the Procurement Administrator depending on the results of the evaluation of the documents provided.

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT APPLICABLE TO THE POINT OF INTERCONNECTION AND TO THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT. Indicate specific milestones in the development of the Project that have been reached to date. Provide the name of the regional transmission organization or utility with which the Project plans to interconnect; e.g., PJM, Ameren, etc. If available, provide the Queue/OASIS ID from PJM, the Project Number from MISO, or the applicable ID/Number associated with the Project under the interconnection process with a utility.

Third Item: Representations about the Project

The Officer of the Seller must make certain representations applicable to the Project.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 PROJECT CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-10)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Project is a utility-scale wind project or a utility-scale solar project or a brownfield site photovoltaic project as these terms are defined in the IPA Act and the Seller has made all investigations it deems necessary to make this determination;
2. the Project is not a repowered facility;
3. the Date of First Operation of the Project, as this term is defined in the Indexed REC Contract, did not occur on or before June 1, 2017;
4. the Project has reached the appropriate development milestones to fully expect that the Project will deliver its first REC to each Company by a date consistent with the terms of the Indexed REC Contract;
5. the Project has or will have a single revenue quality meter that satisfies the requirements of the applicable regional transmission organization, transmission provider, or distribution company and that measures or will measure its generation output;
6. the Project is or will be registered in PJM EIS GATS or M-RETS and the Seller will deliver RECs in an unretired state to the Companies by delivering such RECs through a standing order for the Project to each Company's PJM EIS GATS or M-RETS account;
7. the Project is not and will not be a generating unit whose costs are being recovered through rates regulated by Illinois or any other state or states; and
8. the information provided in the Proposal regarding the Project, including the description of the Project site, is true, up-to-date, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

If any information provided in the Part 1 Proposal changes or any previous certification fails to remain valid, it is the sole responsibility of the Bidder and Seller to notify the Procurement Administrator. Repowered facilities, even those with entirely new components, are not eligible for participation in this RFP.

Fourth Item: Additional Representations for Solar and Brownfield Projects

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For utility-scale solar projects and brownfield site photovoltaic projects, the Officer of the Seller must make certain representations applicable to the Seller and the Bidder.

THE BIDDER SUBMITS THESE CERTIFICATIONS BY FULLY COMPLETING THE P1 SELLER (SOLAR AND BROWNFIELD) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT PREPARED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE BIDDER PROVIDES THE P1 SELLER (SOLAR AND BROWNFIELD) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE P1 SELLER (SOLAR AND BROWNFIELD) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The P1 Seller (Solar and Brownfield) Certifications Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-11.

If the Seller knows that specific information in the Part 1 Proposal may change prior to the decision of the Illinois Commerce Commission on the results of this procurement event, these facts must be disclosed to the Procurement Administrator.

Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 SELLER (SOLAR AND BROWNFIELD) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-11)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Seller as identified in the Proposal is the entity that will sign the Indexed REC Contracts with the Companies if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission;
2. the Seller understands and accepts the terms of the Indexed REC Contract
3. the Seller accepts that the Seller cannot choose its counterparties to the Indexed REC Contract. The Seller accepts the fact that if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Procurement Administrator will allocate to each Company the number of RECs that the Seller will deliver to that Company;

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4. the Seller, including its contractors and subcontractors, rendering services under the Indexed REC Contract will comply with the requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act, including but not limited to, all wage requirements and notice and record keeping duties, or if the Project is not located in Illinois, the Seller will demonstrate, at minimum, wage parity with the prevailing wage requirements in Illinois as required under the Indexed REC Contract;
5. the Seller acknowledges that a Collateral Requirement equal to \$10 times the Annual Quantity from the Project is required during the term of the Indexed REC Contract and that such Collateral Requirement may be increased if the Project does not deliver a first REC to a Company by December 31, 2030;
6. the Part 1 Proposal will remain in full force and effect until fourteen (14) business days after the anticipated date of the Commission decision on the procurement event;
7. if, for any reason and due to any circumstance, any information provided in the Part 1 Proposal for a Project changes or any previous certification fails to remain valid before that date, the Bidder or Seller will notify the Procurement Administrator of such change as soon as practicable, and failing to do so may result in disqualification of the Project;
8. the submission of the Part 1 Proposal constitutes the Bidder's and the Seller's acceptance of all the terms and conditions of the RFP Rules, regardless of the outcome of the RFP or the outcome of such Proposal;
9. the Officer of the Seller has no knowledge of the Bidder, the Seller, or any other entity currently involved in the development of the Project being part of a bidding agreement, a bidding consortium, or any other type of agreement with another Bidder related to bidding in this RFP;
10. all information provided in the Part 1 Proposal is true and accurate to the best of the Officer's knowledge and belief;
11. the Seller is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal;
12. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal; and
13. the Project has been installed or will be installed by Qualified Persons in compliance with the requirements of Section 16-128A of the Public Utilities Act and any rules or regulations adopted thereunder.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that the Seller owns the Project and fully expects to own the Project at the time of execution of the Indexed REC Contracts.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

IF A SELLER KNOWS THAT SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL MAY CHANGE PRIOR TO THE DECISION OF THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION ON THE RESULTS OF THIS PROCUREMENT EVENT, THE SELLER MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW.

IF A SELLER CANNOT CERTIFY THAT IT OWNS THE PROJECT AND THAT IT WILL OWN THE PROJECT AT THE TIME OF EXECUTION OF THE INDEXED REC CONTRACTS, THE SELLER MUST DISCLOSE THIS FACT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW. A Seller that does not own the Project but has full title to the RECs produced by the Project will be required to provide documentation that shows this to be the case. If a

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change in ownership of the Project is anticipated or possible, the Bidder must advise the Procurement Administrator. The entity named in the Part 1 Proposal as the Seller cannot be changed once the Part 1 Proposal is evaluated to be complete and such entity must be the entity that signs the Indexed REC Contracts if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission.

If the Officer of the Seller cannot make representation number 12, on behalf of the Bidder, then a representative of the Bidder must make this representation separately below.

I, _____ [enter the name of the representative of the Bidder], certify that:

- 11. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of representative of the Bidder

Date

A Bidder found to be acting in concert with another Bidder, directly or through an entity involved in the development of Projects for both Bidders, will be disqualified by the Procurement Administrator.

Fifth Item: Additional Representations for Wind Projects

For utility-scale wind projects, the Officer of the Seller must make certain representations applicable to the Seller and the Bidder.

THE BIDDER SUBMITS THESE CERTIFICATIONS BY FULLY COMPLETING THE P1 SELLER (WIND) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT PREPARED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE BIDDER PROVIDES THE P1 SELLER (WIND) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE. THE P1 SELLER (WIND) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROCUREMENT WEBSITE. The P1 Seller (Wind) Certifications Insert is also labelled INSERT #P1-12.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 SELLER (WIND) CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-12)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Seller as identified in the Proposal is the entity that will sign the Indexed REC Contracts with the Companies if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission;
2. the Seller understands and accepts the terms of the Indexed REC Contract;
3. the Seller accepts that the Seller cannot choose its counterparties to the Indexed REC Contract. The Seller accepts the fact that if the Project is selected through the RFP and the Bid is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Procurement Administrator will allocate to each Company the number of RECs that the Seller will deliver to that Company;
4. the Seller, including its contractors and subcontractors, rendering services under the Indexed REC Contract will comply with the requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act, including but not limited to, all wage requirements and notice and record keeping duties, or if the Project is not located in Illinois, the Seller will demonstrate, at minimum, wage parity with the prevailing wage requirements in Illinois as required under the Indexed REC Contract;
5. the Seller acknowledges that a Collateral Requirement equal to \$4 times the Annual Quantity from the Project is required during the term of the Indexed REC Contract and that such Collateral Requirement may be increased if the Project does not deliver a first REC to a Company by December 31, 2030;
6. the Part 1 Proposal will remain in full force and effect until fourteen (14) business days after the anticipated date of the Commission decision on the procurement event;
7. if, for any reason and due to any circumstance, any information provided in the Part 1 Proposal for a Project changes or any previous certification fails to remain valid before that date, the Bidder or Seller will notify the Procurement Administrator of such change as soon as practicable, and failing to do so may result in disqualification of the Project;
8. the submission of the Part 1 Proposal constitutes the Bidder's and the Seller's acceptance of all the terms and conditions of the RFP Rules, regardless of the outcome of the RFP or the outcome of such Proposal;
9. the Officer of the Seller has no knowledge of the Bidder, the Seller, or any other entity currently involved in the development of the Project being part of a bidding agreement, a bidding consortium, or any other type of agreement with another Bidder related to bidding in this RFP;
10. all information provided in the Part 1 Proposal is true and accurate to the best of the Officer's knowledge and belief;

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11. the Seller is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal; and
12. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that the Seller owns the Project and fully expects to own the Project at the time of execution of the Indexed REC Contracts.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

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If the Officer of the Seller cannot make the last representation, number 12, on behalf of the Bidder, then a representative of the Bidder must make this representation separately below.

I, _____ [enter the name of the representative of the Bidder], certify that:

11. the Bidder is not in violation of the Displaced Energy Workers Bill of Rights as provided under Section 10-25 of the Energy Community Reinvestment Act (20 ILCS 735/) at the time of the submission of the Part 1 Proposal.

Signature of representative of the Bidder

Date

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Sixth Item: Additional Brownfield Representation

For brownfield site photovoltaic projects, the Officer of the Seller must make additional representations applicable to the Project.

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Name of Project

Name of Seller

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P1 BROWNFIELD ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATIONS INSERT (#P1-13)

I, _____ [enter the name of the Officer of the Seller], certify that:

1. the Project is in Illinois and is entirely located within the physical location identified in the description of the Project site;
2. the Project is not a community renewable generation project as required by the IPA Act.

Signature of Officer of the Seller

Date

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8. Financial Information

If the Bidder is presenting multiple Projects with the same Seller, the Bidder is only required to submit the information required by this section once.

Has the Bidder already submitted the financial information for this Seller in a previously submitted Proposal for a Project with the same Seller?

Yes No

If YES, please proceed to the next section.

If NO, please complete the remainder of this section.

First Item: Credit Ratings for Seller

Is the Seller's senior long-term debt rated by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"), Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's"), or Fitch Ratings ("Fitch") – in other words, is the Seller rated by one of the major rating agencies?

Yes No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please complete this item.

PLEASE PROVIDE ALL AVAILABLE RATINGS FROM S&P, MOODY'S, AND FITCH FOR THE SELLER AND SPECIFY THE TYPE OF RATING.

1. *Is the Seller rated by S&P?*

yes no

If yes, please provide:

- The Seller's rating ___
- The type of rating ___

2. *Is the Seller rated by Moody's?*

yes no

If yes, please provide:

- The Seller's rating ___
- The type of rating ___

3. *Is the Seller rated by Fitch?*

yes no

If yes, please provide:

- The Seller's rating ___
- The type of rating ___

Second Item: Credit Ratings for Guarantor

Does the Seller intend on relying on the financial standing of a Guarantor during the supply period?

Yes No

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please complete this item.

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PLEASE NAME THE GUARANTOR ON WHOSE FINANCIAL STANDING THE SELLER IS EXPECTING TO RELY.

Is the Guarantor’s senior long-term debt rated by S&P Global Ratings (“S&P”), Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”), or Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”) – in other words, is the Guarantor rated by one of the major rating agencies?

Yes **No**

If NO, please proceed to the next item.

If YES, please complete this item.

PLEASE PROVIDE ALL AVAILABLE RATINGS FROM S&P, MOODY’S, AND FITCH FOR THE GUARANTOR AND SPECIFY THE TYPE OF RATING.

1. *Is the Guarantor rated by S&P?*

yes **no**

If yes, please provide:

- The Guarantor’s rating ___
- The type of rating ___

2. *Is the Guarantor rated by Moody’s?*

yes **no**

If yes, please provide:

- The Guarantor’s rating ___
- The type of rating ___

3. *Is the Guarantor rated by Fitch?*

yes **no**

If yes, please provide:

- The Guarantor’s rating ___
- The type of rating ___

Third Item: Agency Agreement

An Agency Agreement is a specific relationship whereby a first party, the “principal”, agrees that certain defined actions by a second party, the “agent”, can bind the principal. A Bidder that submits a Proposal for a Seller operating under an Agency Agreement will be subject to additional requirements in the Part 1 Proposal.

Is the Seller operating under an Agency Agreement?

Yes **No**

If NO, please proceed to next section.

If YES, please see below.

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SELLER OPERATING UNDER AND AGENCY AGREEMENT WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE BIDDER IN A SEPARATE NOTICE.

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9. Bid Participation Fee

If a Bidder is presenting Proposals for multiple Projects, the Bidder is only required to submit the information required by this section once, in a Part 1 Proposal for one of the Projects.

Has the Bidder already completed this section in the earliest submitted Proposal for another Project under this Indexed REC RFP?

Yes No

If YES, please proceed to the next section.

If NO, please follow these instructions.

A BIDDER THAT DID NOT PAY A BID PARTICIPATION FEE PURSUANT TO ITS PARTICIPATION IN A PRIOR 2026 PROCUREMENT EVENT HELD ON BEHALF OF THE IPA MUST PAY ONCE A BID PARTICIPATION FEE OF \$500.

Did the Bidder participate in a prior 2026 procurement event and pay the Bid Participation Fee?

Yes No

If YES, please proceed to the next section.

If NO, please follow these instructions.

A Bidder is required to pay a non-refundable Bid Participation Fee of \$500. A Bidder that submits Proposals for multiple Projects is only required to pay a single Bid Participation Fee. A Bidder that has paid the Bid Participation Fee will not be reimbursed, even if all Projects presented by the Bidder fail to meet the requirements of the Part 1 Proposal or the Part 2 Proposal or if the Bidder decides not to continue its participation in the RFP.

Bidders must pay the Bid Participation Fee to the IPA as a condition of all Projects presented by the Bidder fulfilling the requirements of the Part 1 Proposal. The Procurement Administrator will issue instructions for the payment of the Bid Participation Fee prior to the opening of the Part 1 Window that will include the available methods of payment. Instructions for submission of the Bid Participation Fee are available from the Procurement Administrator upon request.

Adhere to the following best practices to enable confirmation of your payment:

- Payment should be initiated as early as possible in the Part 1 Window. Please do not wait until the deadline.
- Submission of the Bid Participation Fee must be one single \$500 payment from one single entity.
- Please use the name of the Bidder as the Vendor Name or in any other fields requesting the identity of the entity paying. An entity that is not the Bidder may make the payment, however, providing the name of the Bidder in these fields will aid the IPA in confirming receipt of your payment. The individual submitting the payment may also input their first and last name along with the name of the Bidder.
- Please only request ACH instructions from the IPA once you are sure that you will use ACH as the method of payment. This enables proper tracking of your payment.

THE BID PARTICIPATION FEE IS DUE BY THE PART 1 DATE AND THE BIDDER MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THIS REQUIREMENT WITH THE PART 1 PROPOSAL. Such evidence must show that payment has been made in accordance with the instructions issued by the Procurement Administrator.

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PLEASE UPLOAD THE EVIDENCE OF PAYMENT OF THE BID PARTICIPATION FEE BELOW OR EMAIL SUCH EVIDENCE TO THE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR:



Notwithstanding whether or not a Bidder has provided evidence of payment with a Part 1 Proposal, for the Bidder to be eligible to present its Projects further in this RFP, the Procurement Administrator must be able to get confirmation from the IPA that the IPA has received payment of the Bid Participation Fee from the Bidder.

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10. Justification of Omissions

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE PART 1 PROPOSAL, PLEASE JUSTIFY FULLY ANY OMISSIONS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW. IF YOU WANT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE DO SO BELOW.

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IF YOU WANT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING THE P2 CERTIFICATIONS INSERT, PLEASE PROVIDE THESE BY EMAIL OR BY UPLOAD TO THE APPLICATION WEBSITE (BELOW).