

Illinois Power Agency

AIC, ComEd, and MEC

Brownfield RFP

Bidder Information Webcast
Thursday, June 13, 2019

Anthony Star, Illinois Power Agency

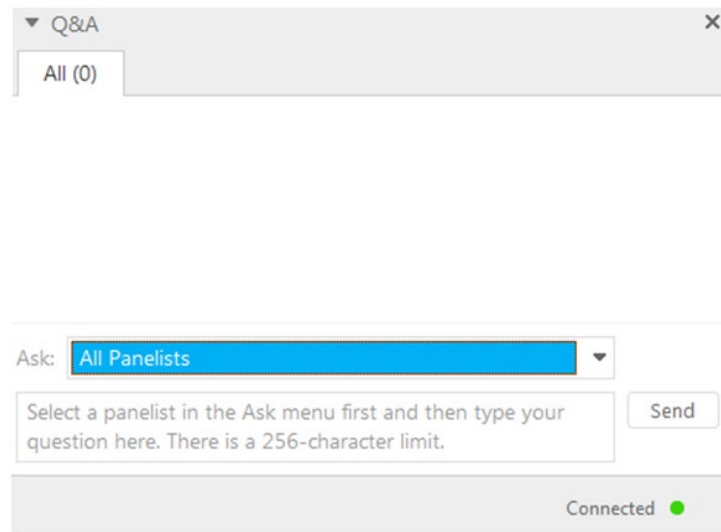
Chantale LaCasse, NERA

Katie Orlandi, NERA



Questions?

To submit questions to the presenters, please **locate the “Q&A” on the right hand side of your screen**, and select “All Panelists” in the “Ask” box; type in your question and click “Send” to submit your question



The screenshot shows a Q&A interface. At the top, there is a dropdown menu labeled 'Q&A' with a close button 'x'. Below it, there is a button labeled 'All (0)'. In the center, there is an 'Ask:' label followed by a dropdown menu with 'All Panelists' selected. Below the dropdown menu is a text input field with the placeholder text 'Select a panelist in the Ask menu first and then type your question here. There is a 256-character limit.' To the right of the text input field is a 'Send' button. At the bottom right, there is a 'Connected' status indicator with a green dot.

Presentation Materials and Q&As will be posted to

www.ipa-energyrfp.com

Disclaimer

- Any statements made herein or on the webcast describing or referring to the governing documents are summaries only and are qualified in their entirety by our reference here to these documents
- **These governing documents are:**
 - ◆ Public Act 99-0906
 - ◆ IPA's "Long-Term Plan" and Commission Orders (see Docket No. 17-0838)
 - ◆ RFP Rules dated June 13, 2019
 - ◆ REC Contract dated June 12, 2019
- Bidders bear full responsibility for reviewing and understanding such agreements and documents

Please see the procurement website for documentation

<https://www.ipa-energyrfp.com/brownfield/final-materials/>

Agenda

- **Regulatory Background**
- **Overview**
- **Supplier Contracts**
- **The RFP Process**
- **Bids and Post-Bid Process**

Regulatory Background

Long-Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan

- Long-Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan (“Long-Term Plan”):
https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/ipa/Pages/Renewable_Resources.aspx
- Approved by the ICC on April 3, 2018 (Docket No. 17-0838)
 - ◆ Sets out the Agency’s renewables procurement activities
 - ◆ 80,000 RECs delivered annually from Brownfield Site PV Projects
- Includes open-enrollment programs and competitive procurements
 - ◆ Programs for small size photovoltaic projects: Adjustable Block Program, Community Renewable Generation, and Illinois Solar for All
 - ◆ Forward Competitive Procurements: Utility-Scale Wind, Utility-Scale Solar, Brownfield Site PV

Brownfield Site PV RFP Background

- A procurement event under the Brownfield Site Photovoltaic RFP was held in November 2018 to procure 80,000 RECs annually
- Based on the evaluation procedure no projects were selected under that procurement event
- The IPA solicited [feedback](#) on any barriers that may have limited successful participation
- In accordance with the Order from the ICC dated April 26, 2019, the IPA is holding a second procurement event under the Brownfield Site Photovoltaic RFP
- Changes to the contract and qualification requirements as a result of the comment process will be discussed in detail in this presentation

Overview of Changes

- Bidders are required provide documentation that demonstrates the site was regulated by the US EPA or Illinois EPA under one of the four programs listed in the Act and is dated within the last 25 years prior to the Bid Date (extended from within the last 15 years)
- Deadline for delivery of first REC extended one year; deadline to extend with increased collateral also extended
- New force majeure events specific to development and construction on a brownfield site
- New provision allow for contract termination should the Seller determine that it will not fully construct the project. Seller must pay collateral requirement (or increased collateral requirement, if applicable) under the contract
- Bidder provide in their bids a quantity of RECs below which they are not willing to accept an award

This Webcast **Only** About Competitive Procurement of RECs from Brownfield Projects

Documentation and information available on the procurement website www.IPA-energyRFP.com



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Illinois Power Agency (IPA) website. At the top left is the IPA logo, which consists of a yellow sun icon with a blue outline of the state of Illinois inside it, followed by the letters "IPA" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. Below the logo, the text "ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY" is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. In the top right corner, there is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text "Search ...". On the left side of the page, there is a vertical list of navigation links. The link "Brownfield" is circled in red. Other links include "Home", "Announcements", "Spring Block Energy and Capacity", "Low-Income Community Solar Pilot", "Utility-Scale Wind", "Community Renewable Generation Program", "Calendar", "FAQs", "Useful Links", "Contact Us", "Previous RFPs", and "Qualification Form". In the center of the page, there is a large image of several high-voltage power transmission towers (pylons) stretching into the distance under a clear blue sky with a bright sun low on the horizon, creating a silhouette effect. At the bottom of the page, the text "Illinois Power Agency RFPs" is displayed in a large, blue, sans-serif font.

IPA
ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY

Search ...

Home
Announcements
Spring Block Energy and Capacity
Brownfield
Low-Income Community Solar Pilot
Utility-Scale Wind
Community Renewable Generation Program
Calendar
FAQs
Useful Links
Contact Us
Previous RFPs
Qualification Form

Illinois Power Agency RFPs

Information About Open-Enrollment Programs Available Elsewhere

IPA's Website for information on planning and implementation of RPS as well as open-enrollment programs

www.illinois.gov/sites/ipa

Adjustable Block Program Website for information on the adjustable block program for RECs from distributed generation projects and community solar projects

<http://www.illinoisabp.com/>

Solar For All Program Website for information on the Solar for All program

<https://www.illinoissfa.com/>

Overview

Highlights

Bid Date

July 26

Target (Annual Deliveries)

80,000 RECs

- Procures **RECs from Projects** selected through RFP
- **Bids** for **each Project** includes:
 - ◆ Price: **\$/REC**
 - ◆ Full Quantity: **# of RECs**
 - ◆ **New:** Partial Award Quantity: **# of RECs**
- For each Project selected by the evaluation and with a Bid approved by the Commission, RECs are allocated to all three Companies:
AIC, ComEd, MEC

Project Requirements

- Located in **Illinois and entirely contained within the brownfield site**
- **Eligibility Change:** Documentation that demonstrates the site was regulated by the US EPA or Illinois EPA under one of the four programs listed in the Act must be dated within **25 years prior to the Bid Date**
- Located on a site that currently features or featured **actual blight or contamination** prior to remediation
- **New Project** with date of first operation after June 1, 2017
 - Project cannot be a repowered facility
- **NOT** a generating unit whose costs are recovered through rates
- **NOT** a community renewable generation project
- Project must be installed by **Qualified Persons**

Product Requirements

RECs delivered are:

- **Standard RECs** that includes all environmental attributes
- **From a Project** selected through this RFP
- Transferred to each Company's **PJM EIS GATS or M-RETS** account in **unretired** state such that Company can comply with the **Illinois RPS**
- **Deadline Change:** Delivery of first REC to each Company under each REC Contract on or before **May 31, 2022**; deadline extended to **May 31, 2023** with **increased collateral requirement** (Force Majeure events can also excuse delay)

One Proposal per Project

- **Part 1:** respond to qualification standards
- **Part 2:** make certifications; provide bid assurance collateral

Part 1 Proposal: June 13 – 20 (noon*)

- **Online:** provide information using online P1 form
- **Online:** upload completed Inserts
- **Online:** upload required supporting documents
- **Send to IPA:** Bid Participation Fee

Part 2 Proposal: July 1 – July 12 (noon)

- **Online:** provide information using online P2 form
- **Online:** upload completed Inserts
- **Send to Companies:** bid assurance collateral (cash or letter of credit)

Bid Submission and Evaluation

- Bid Submission
 - ◆ Bidders enter their Bids in an **Excel spreadsheet** that will be provided by Procurement Administrator
 - ◆ Bidders will **transfer** their spreadsheet through a secure interface
- Bid Evaluation
 - ◆ considers only Bids that **meet or beat the benchmarks**
 - ◆ Evaluation considers bids in **price order** and fills the target to the extent possible
- Benchmarks developed using confidential methodology approved by ICC

Bid Participation Fee

- **Bid Participation Fee of \$500** is required
 - A single Bid Participation Fee per Bidder for all Projects
 - A Bidder that paid the Bid Participation Fee in a prior 2019 procurement event does not need to pay again
- Bid Participation Fee is due to the **IPA** by 12 PM (noon) on the **Part 1 Date**
- Two methods of payment:
 - Check made payable to the Illinois Power Agency
 - E-Pay online
- For a complete set of instructions, email us at:
Illinois-RFP@nera.com

Supplier Fees

- Supplier Fees paid for **Projects with approved Bids** only
- Supplier Fees must be paid to the IPA within 7 business days of Commission approval of results of the procurement event
- Estimate of Supplier Fees at this time:
 - Supplier Fee = \$3.75/REC x **Annual Quantity** of RECs
- Confirmation of final Supplier Fee no later than two (2) business days prior to the Bid Date

Supplier Contract

REC Contract: Structure

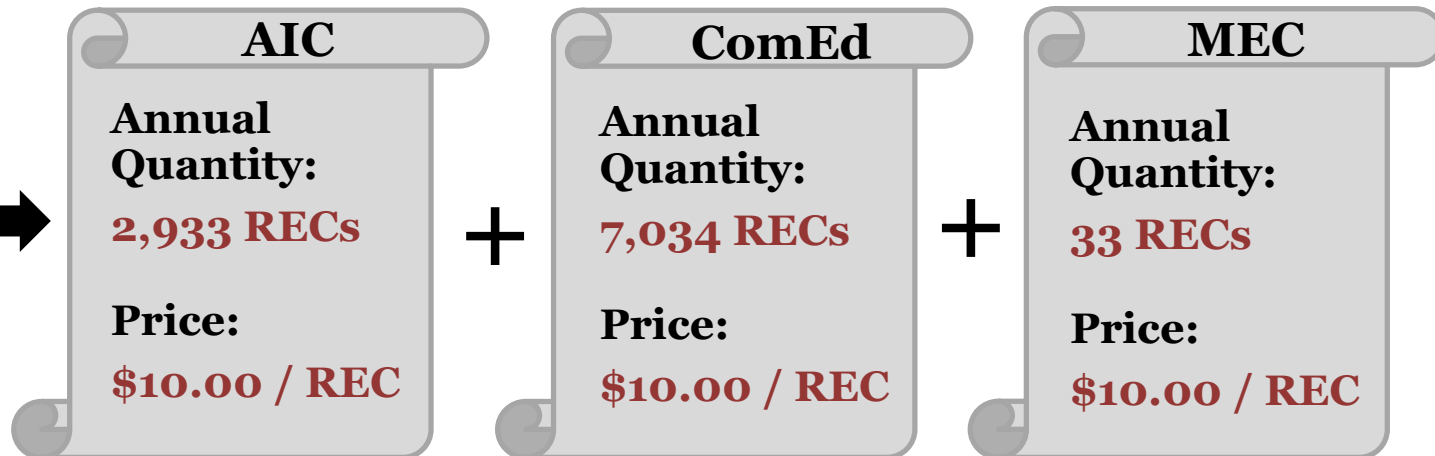
- REC Contract:
 - ◆ Cover Sheet
 - ◆ Exhibit A: Example on Delivery Year Requirement
 - ◆ Exhibit B: Guaranty Form
 - ◆ Exhibit C: Letter of Credit Forms
 - ◆ Exhibit D: ABA-EMA-ACORE REC Purchase & Sale Agreement (Master REC Agreement)

- **Cover Sheet** is the main body that includes:
 - ◆ specific terms related to project requirements, delivery obligations, payment terms
 - ◆ pricing and quantity details
 - ◆ modifications to the Master REC Agreement

Contract Awarded Through RFP

- **Annual Quantities** across Companies sum up to an annual quantity consistent with the Bid
- **Maximum Contract Quantity** is annual quantity x 15 years

10,000 RECs
annually @
\$10.00 / REC



Contract includes a 15-Year Delivery Term

- **Delivery Term** is for 15 years of REC deliveries
 - ◆ Starts on the later of: (a) date the first REC issued for the Project or (b) **the date of Commission decision: August 1, 2019**
 - ◆ Date the first REC is delivered to occur no later than **May 31, 2022**; deadline extended to **May 31, 2023** if satisfy increased collateral requirement

- Delivery Term is divided into **Delivery Years**
 - ◆ Starts in June and ends in May of following year
 - ◆ Delivery obligations are for each Delivery Year

- Each Delivery Year is divided into **Delivery Months**
 - ◆ Invoices due by 10th day after each Delivery Month
 - ◆ Payments due by end of month of timely invoice receipt

What are my Delivery Obligations ?

- The obligation is the **Delivery Year Requirement, which is the Annual Quantity** for the Delivery Year except:
 - ◆ First and Last Delivery Years will be pro-rated if Delivery Term does not begin on June 1st
 - ◆ First 365 days: Requirement is reduced up to 50%

- **If:** (a) you fail to meet the Delivery Year Requirement in any 3 or more Delivery Years **and** (b) the amount of shortfalls equals or exceeds the Annual Quantity
 - ◆ Contract with that Company is terminated
 - ◆ Collateral Requirement is forfeited

Flexible Vintage allows for Banking of RECs

- RECs delivered in any Delivery Year:
 - ◆ must allow Buyer to comply with Illinois RPS
 - ◆ must be from Project (no replacement RECs)
 - ◆ need not be from same Delivery Year as long as REC is based on electricity generation anytime in the **15-year Delivery Term and 2 additional months** before the Delivery Term

- **Excess RECs** are the property of the Seller
 - ◆ Seller may sell excess RECs elsewhere
 - ◆ Deliver in future Delivery Year to meet subsequent Delivery Year Requirement
 - ◆ Deliver in last Delivery Year up to Maximum Contract Quantity

Credit Requirements

- Collateral Requirement is based on Annual Quantity of RECs
 - ◆ **\$10.00** x Annual Quantity of RECs
 - ◆ Collateral Requirement is subject to \$50,000 minimum
- Increased Collateral Requirement automatically extends 1st REC Delivery Deadline from May 31, 2022 to May 31, 2023
 - ◆ **\$20.00** x Annual Quantity of RECs
 - ◆ Increased Collateral Requirement is subject to \$100,000 minimum
- Unsecured Credit granted to entities that are investment grade (or that rely on guarantor that is investment grade)

S&P	Moody's	Fitch	Collateral Threshold
BBB- or above	Baa3 or above	BBB- or above	\$2,500,000

- ◆ Standard forms of the Guaranty and Letter of Credit are provided as exhibits to REC Contract

Force Majeure Events

- REC Contract defines Force Majeure events that may excuse delay
 - ◆ **New:** Delays in obtaining necessary permits or regulatory approvals
 - ◆ **New:** Interruption in construction or operation as a result of a directive for remediation from a Governmental Authority
 - ◆ Delays in interconnection
 - ◆ Failure in deliveries by certification authority
 - ◆ Curtailments by the RTO

- See Article 6 for complete information

The RFP Process

Calendar for Procurement Event

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
JUNE 10	11	12	Webcast Part 1 Window OPENS 13	14
17	18	19	Part 1 Date Bid Participation Fee 20	21
24	25	26	27	Part 1 Notification 28
Part 2 Window OPENS JULY 1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	Part 2 Date Bid Assurance Collateral Due 12
15	16	17	18	Bidder Training 19
22	23	24	25	BID DATE 26
29	Submission of Confidential Reports 30	31	ICC Decision AUGUST 1	2

Registering for an Account

www.IPA-energyrfp.com

IPA
ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY

Home
Announcements
Spring Block Energy and Capacity
Brownfield
Low-Income Community Solar Pilot
Utility-Scale Wind
Community Renewable Generation Program
Calendar
FAQs
Useful Links
Contact Us
Previous RFPs
Qualification Form

Qualification Forms

You must be logged in to access the online Forms.

If you have an account, please [log in here](#).

If you do not have an account, please [request login credentials here](#).

Request login credentials

Alternatively, email Illinois-RFP@nera.com with:

- Company name
- full name of contact
- phone and alternate number
- email address
- Interest in Brownfield RFP
- Number of Projects

Separate Accounts for different Projects

Login Credentials Timing

- At this time, if you requested **login credentials** you should have received them
 - Login credentials are issued to a **single individual**
 - Bidders with **multiple Projects** should have received enough accounts for each Project to have its own account
- **New/Additional Projects:** Do not delay requesting accounts for additional Projects – please allow one business day for the receipt of login credentials from the Procurement Administrator

Username Displayed on Sidebar

Brownfield Part 1 Form

ILLINOIS POWER AND ENERGY BOARD SUMMER 2019 BROWNFIELD SITE PHOTOVOLTAIC RFP PART 1 FORM

Bidders can tell which account they are currently logged in as by checking the floating sidebar in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen

Pursuant to an Order from the Illinois Commerce Commission (“Commission” or “ICC”) dated April 1, 2019, the Board is conducting an event to procure 80,000 RECs delivered annually from new brownfield site photovoltaic portfolios of Ameren Illinois Company (“AIC”), Commonwealth Edison Company (“ComEd”), and Michigan Energy Company (“MEC”) through a Brownfield Site Photovoltaic RFP (“Brownfield RFP”). Each of AIC, ComEd, and MEC is participating in the RFP as a “Company”.

The Part 1 Proposal consists of the online Part 1 Form and attachments that are uploaded to the website and sent to the Procurement Administrator via email). Before completing the Part 1 Form for the Brownfield RFP, please review the RFP Rules and the Renewable Energy Credit Agreement (“Brownfield REC Contract” abbreviated as the “REC Contract”) so that you understand the conditions under which the Brownfield RFP will be conducted. All documents are available on the procurement website, www.ipa-energyvrfp.com.

Currently logged in as:
YBtT6329Gt

[Click to go to the top of the form.](#)

[Click to go to the bottom of the form \(Save, Submit\).](#)

Save and Continue

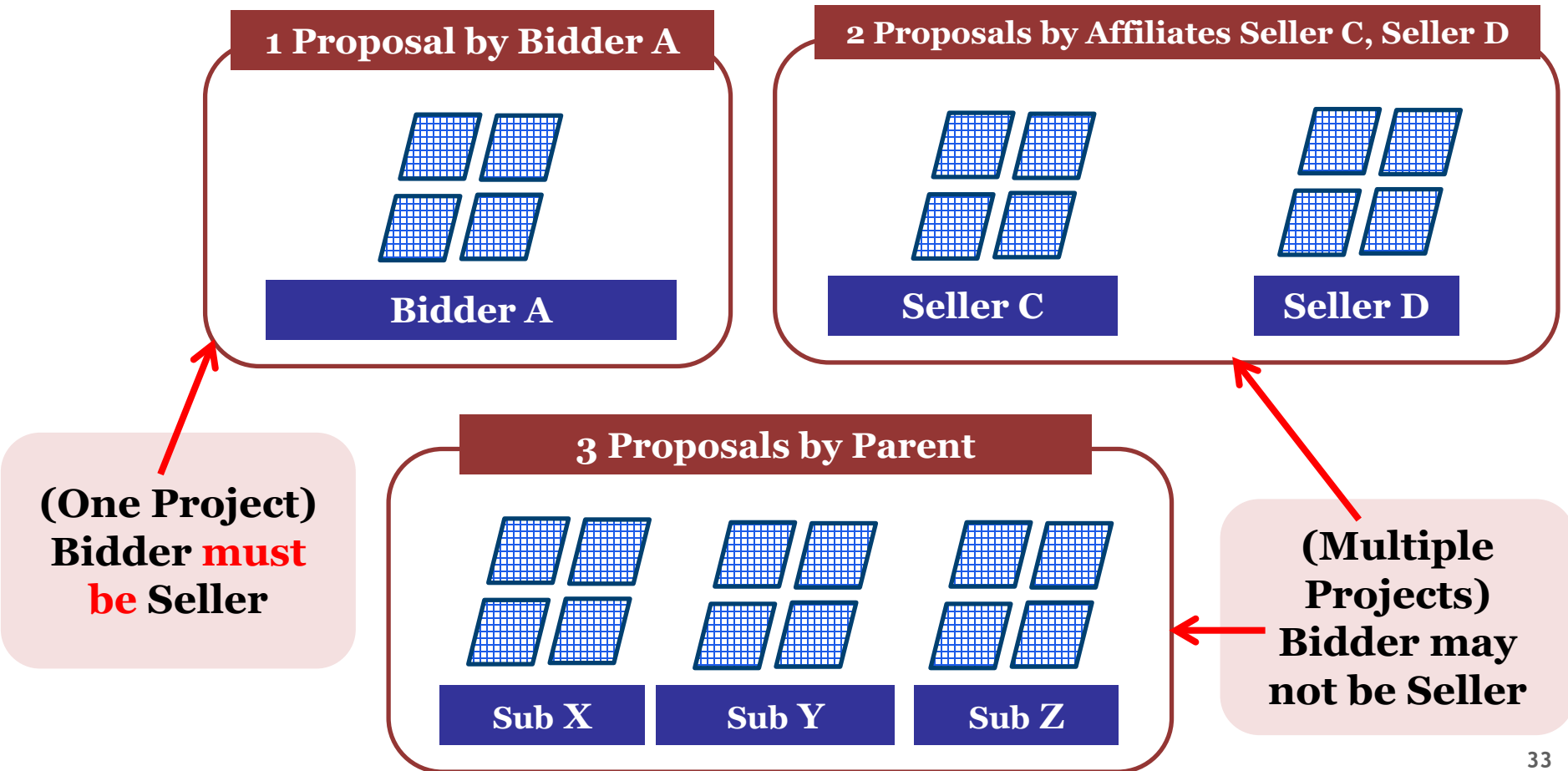
Log Out

Part 1 Proposal General Information

- A “**Bidder**” is the entity that submits the Proposal; the “**Seller**” is the entity that will sign the REC Contract if the Project is selected
- **A Part 1 Proposal consists of:**
 - Information submitted through the online Part 1 Form
 - Supporting documents (uploaded to the online form)
 - Inserts (uploaded to the online form)
- For Bidders presenting multiple Projects, while a Part 1 Proposal is required for each Project, some information common to all Projects (e.g., contact information for Representatives) need only be submitted once

Roles of Sellers and Bidders

- **Seller:** signatory to the REC Contract
- **Bidder:** entity submitting the Proposal



1. Contact Information

- **Contact Information for the Seller.**
- **Contact Information for the Bidder.**
 - ◆ **(One Proposal for a single Project)** the Bidder and Seller **must be** the same entity
 - ◆ **(Proposals for multiple Projects from affiliated entities)** Bidder must be a parent company of Sellers or all Sellers jointly
- **Officer of the Seller.** Individual who makes all representations required in the Part 1 Proposal and in the Part 2 Proposal for the Seller
- **Representatives.** Individuals authorized to act on behalf of the Bidder and Seller
 - ◆ One Representative must be designated in the online form
 - ◆ Three (3) additional Representatives may be named by completing the **Representative Insert (INSERT #P1-1)**
 - ◆ If multiple Projects, all Representatives **must be the same** across Projects

2. Project Information

- Project Location:
 - ◆ Complete address in **Illinois**
 - ◆ **Map** of the Project Site clearly showing the Project within the Project Site
 - Project Site must be regulated by the US EPA or Illinois EPA under one of the four programs listed in the Act
 - Project must be entirely located within the Project Site, and projects that are co-located with another facility on a greenfield site must disclose this fact
- Basic Information:
 - ◆ **Project Size** (AC rating) in MW
 - ◆ **Date** of first operation (actual or expected)
 - ◆ **Regulatory program** and supporting documentation must be provided

Regulatory Program Requirements

Program	Documentation that meets requirements
US EPA under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (“CERCLA”), as amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a site assessment, remedy decision, cleanup plan, or similar document
US EPA under the Corrective Action Program of the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”), as amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a demonstration of the U.S. EPA requiring corrective action such as a permit application, administrative order, court order, or similar document
IEPA Solid Waste Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a solid waste permit
IEPA Site Remediation Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Site Investigation Report, Remedial Action Plan, Remedial Action Completion Report, or No Further Remediation Letter

- Document must be dated no earlier than 25 years prior to Bid Date, July 26, 2019
- Additional requirements for Projects regulated by the IEPA Site Remediation program

Additional Requirements for IEPA Site Remediation Program

- The Bidder must demonstrate actual blight or contamination of the site by providing one of the following:
 - i. proof that the site is also regulated by one of the other three programs on the prior slide; or
 - ii. demonstration of contamination at the site and determination of the need for remediation activities through a site assessment from the U.S. EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessment; or
 - iii. additional documents from the IEPA Site Remediation Program
 - a) Remedial Action Plan that demonstrates that concentrations of contaminants at the site exceeded the remediation objectives established for the site and require remediation activities
 - b) If available, Remedial Action Completion Report and a No Further Remediation Letter. If not available Bidder certifies that such documents have not been issued by the IEPA Site Remediation Program

2. Project Information (cont'd)

- Fully executed Interconnection Agreement, if available
- If not available, the Bidder must demonstrate site control for at least 3 acres times the Project size in MW (AC rating) and must describe the development milestones achieved
 - ◆ **Document to demonstrate site control**
 - Different documents can be submitted for different owners
 - If document provided for site control is a letter of intent or a memorandum of understanding, then such document must satisfy specific minimum requirements provided as an appendix to the RFP Rules
 - If document names an affiliate of the Seller the name of such affiliate entity must be provided
 - Additional documentation required if document does not include size of the area controlled by Owner
 - ◆ **Contact Information for each Owner** for which documentation is provided
 - ◆ **Description** of stage of development; status of remediation

3. Representations

- The Seller makes a number of certifications
 - Regarding the Project: costs not recovered through rates; is not a repowered facility, etc.
 - Such certifications are provided by fully completing the **P1 Project Certifications Insert (INSERT #P1-4)**
 - Regarding the Seller: accepts the terms of the REC Contract, is aware of the collateral requirements under the REC Contract, etc.
 - Such certifications are provided by fully completing the **P1 Seller Certifications Insert (INSERT #P1-5)**

4. Financial Information

- **If the Seller or its Guarantor is rated** by one or more of the major rating agencies (S&P, Moody's, or Fitch) then all available credit ratings must be provided
 - Otherwise, there are no financial information requirements

- **Agency Agreement**
 - ◆ If a Seller is operating under an Agency Agreement, the Seller should advise the Procurement Administrator and additional requirements will be provided separately

5. Bid Participation Fee

- **Bid Participation Fee of \$500** is required of Bidders that have not paid this fee yet in 2019
- Bid Participation Fee is due **to the IPA** by 12 PM (noon) on the Part 1 Date
- Two methods of payment:
 - ♦ **Check made payable to the Illinois Power Agency**
 - ♦ **E-Pay through <https://magic.collectorsolutions.com/magic-ui/onetimepayment/illinois-power-agency-ipa>**
- A complete **set of instructions** will be provided by the Procurement Administrator and can be sent upon request

Optional! 6. Comments on Letters of Credit

- Bidders may:
 - ◆ provide comments on or **propose modifications** to the **Post-Bid** Letter of Credit (Exhibit C of the REC Contract)
 - ◆ provide comments on or **propose modifications** to the Standard **Pre-Bid** Letter of Credit for each Company
- Bidders **intending to use the letters of credit as financial guarantees** can thus propose any changes to the letters of credit that their financial institutions may require

**The lists of modifications that are currently acceptable
are posted here:**

<https://www.ipa-energyrfp.com/brownfield/final-materials/>

Proposal Items Provided by Project or Bidder

Proposal Item	Provide separately for each Project	Provide once for all Projects
Part 1 Proposal		
Contact Information for Seller	✓	
Project Information	✓	
Site Control Documents	✓	
Certifications about Project	✓	
Additional Representatives of Bidder		✓
Bid Participation Fee		✓
Part 2 Proposal		
Bid Quantity	✓	
Certifications about Projects and Bids	✓	
Bid Assurance Collateral		✓
Bid Form		✓

Part 1 Notification

- A Bidder is notified whether the Project has qualified pursuant to a successful Part 1 Proposal by June 28, 2019 (the Part 1 Notification Date)
- **Contents**
 - ◆ Part 1 Notification letter
 - ◆ Customized Bid Form
 - ◆ Instructions for completing, encrypting, and submitting the Bid Form
 - ◆ Invitation to training session on the bid submission procedure
 - ◆ Confidential information for submission of the Bid Form, including a username, a password, and a security code unique to that Bidder

Part 1 Date	12 PM CPT on June 20, 2019
Part 1 Notification	June 28, 2019

Part 2 Proposal is Due in Two Packages

- **Part 2 Proposal consists of:**
 - ◆ Information submitted through the **online Part 2 Form**
 - ◆ Signed certifications (email or upload)
 - ◆ Submission of **bid assurance collateral**
 - ◆ Bids
- **Bidders**
 - ◆ Provide any update to the contact information for the Representatives
 - ◆ Provide non-binding indicative **Bid Quantity** for Project (annual number of RECs)
 - ◆ Elect form of bid assurance collateral (cash or letter of credit); if cash is elected, Bidder must acknowledge conditions under which cash may be drawn
 - ◆ Provide information for preparing the contracts through the Contract Insert (**INSERT #P2-5**), must be in Microsoft Word format

Part 2 Proposal Excluding Bids Must be Received

Part 2 Date

12 PM CPT on July 12, 2019

Information Regarding Certifications

- **Certifications regarding confidentiality** made in the Part 2 Proposal, including not disclosing information relating to the Proposal for a Project publicly or to any other party, will **remain in place until the Commission renders its decision** on the results of this procurement event

Bid Assurance Collateral Amounts

- **Bid Assurance Collateral** in the form of cash or a Pre-Bid Letter of Credit is provided to each Company separately
- Bid assurance collateral is a function of the **Project size** and is subject to a ceiling

Company	Amount	Ceiling Across all Projects
AIC	\$5,500/MW	\$275,000
ComEd	\$13,000/MW	\$650,000
MEC	\$1,000/MW	\$50,000

- If a Bidder presents Proposals for **multiple Projects**, such Bidder may submit a single Pre-Bid Letter of Credit or effect a single wire transfer to a Company in the amount required for all Projects

Bid Assurance Collateral Requirements

■ Cash

- ◆ W-9 and draft request for return of the cash required
- ◆ cash certifications insert for each Company
- ◆ additional requirements for AIC

■ The **Pre-Bid Letter of Credit** for a Company must be

- ◆ in standard form or incorporate only modifications acceptable and applicable to each Company that are posted to the procurement website

■ **Instructions** for submission of bid assurance collateral provided with the Part 1 Notification or upon request from the Procurement Administrator

Bid and Post-Bid Process

Instructions for Bid Submission

- The **Bid Form** is the exclusive method for the submission of Bids
 - ◆ The Procurement Administrator provides each Bidder with a custom Bid Form to use for all Projects that qualify
 - ◆ A Bid Form incompletely or inconsistently filled out will not be evaluated
- Bid Forms duly filled out must be submitted to the Procurement Administrator via the **secure bid transfer site**
 - ◆ When Bid Form is submitted, phone the Procurement Administrator
 - ◆ You must be available during the Cure Deficiency Period of 12-1PM on Bid Date
- **Step-by-step guide** provided with the Part 1 Notification
- Bidders will have opportunity to practice and will have a **backup method (by email)** for bid submission

Bid Date: July 26	
Bid Window	10AM-12PM
Cure Deficiency Period	12PM-1PM

Three Elements of a Bid

- A Bid has three elements:
 - ◆ A price per REC that represents the price at which the Seller is willing to deliver RECs
 - ◆ A “full quantity” of RECs that represents the annual quantity that the Seller is offering to deliver under the terms of the REC Contract
 - ◆ A “partial award quantity” is the minimum annual quantity of RECs that the Seller is willing to accept in the case of a partial award

Name of Seller	Project Tag	Project Size (MW)	Max Bid Size (# of RECs)	Price (\$/REC)	Quantity (# of RECs)	Partial Award Quantity (# of RECs)
Sample Seller 1	SMP-01	3.00	6,965	10.00	4,731	4,000

* Max Bid Size equals the product of: (i) the Project size in MW (AC rating), (ii) a capacity factor of 26.5%, and (iii) 8,760 hours

Bid Evaluation Procedure

- 1. First Step:** Bids that fail to meet or beat the benchmarks are eliminated
- 2. Second Step:** Bids selected by price until the Target is met on an annual basis (if possible)
- 3. Third Step:** Winning Bids when approved by the Commission are allocated to each Company (29.33% to AIC, 70.34% to ComEd, and 0.33% to MEC)

The evaluation procedure:

- If a Project is selected, the REC quantity is always at least the partial award quantity
- May result in skipping a Project in the price order if the partial award quantity for that Project cannot be filled with the remaining target

Post-Bid Process: Timeline to ICC Decision

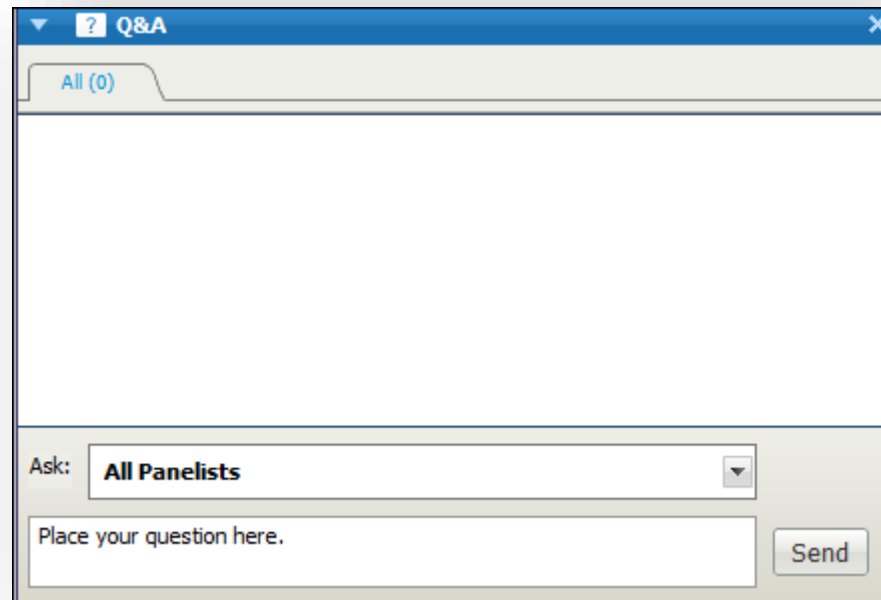
- Procurement Administrator expects to notify Bidders by **6PM on the Bid Date** whether they have Projects with Bids identified as winning Bids to the ICC (earlier if practicable, later as circumstances warrant)
- If not already done, Bidders with winning Bids must provide the Contract Insert for preparation of the REC Contracts by the Companies
- **Within 2 business days of Bid Date:** Procurement Administrator and the Procurement Monitor each submits a confidential report to the ICC
- **Within 2 business days of Reports:** The ICC decides whether to accept or reject the results

Post-Bid Process: Contract and Supplier Fees

- Each Company sends electronically to the Seller partially executed contract documents
- The Seller countersigns, sends back contract documents electronically, and fulfills creditworthiness requirements
- **Collateral Requirement** is due within 5 business days of approval of the results by the Commission
- **Payment of the Supplier Fees** to the IPA is due within 7 business days of approval of the results by the Commission
- Bid assurance collateral may be drawn upon if Supplier Fees are not paid within 7 days of approval of the results by the Commission

Questions?

To submit questions to the presenters, please **locate the “Q&A” on the right hand side of your screen**, and select “All Panelists” in the “Ask” box; type in your question and click “Send” to submit your question



The image shows a screenshot of a web application window titled "Q&A". The window has a blue header bar with a question mark icon and the text "Q&A". Below the header, there is a tab labeled "All (0)". The main content area is empty. At the bottom of the window, there is a form with the following elements:

- An "Ask:" label followed by a dropdown menu showing "All Panelists".
- A text input field with the placeholder text "Place your question here."
- A "Send" button.

Contact: Illinois-RFP@nera.com