

Appendix 16 – Energy Transition Community Grant Areas and Hydropower Preference Communities

First Item: Energy Transition Community Grant Areas

An **Energy Transition Community Grant Area** is an area that was identified by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity as eligible to receive a grant under the **Energy Transition Community Grant Program**, established in Section 10-20 of Public Act 102-0662. Table A below provides the names of the host villages, cities, and counties that are considered Energy Transition Community Grant Areas under the Indexed REC RFP.

If the Project is a utility-scale solar project or a utility-scale wind project and at least 50% of the Project site is located within an Energy Transition Community Grant Area identified in Table A, the Project qualifies for the bid evaluation price reduction described in paragraph I.2.11 of the Indexed REC RFP Rules. Brownfield site photovoltaic projects and hydropower projects do not qualify for the bid evaluation price reduction related to Energy Transition Community Grant Areas.

Table A. Energy Transition Community Grant Areas

HOST VILLAGE, CITY, OR COUNTY IN ILLINOIS		
Christian County	Montgomery County	Village of Hennepin
East Alton City	Peoria County	Village of Romeoville
Fulton County	Randolph County*	Waukegan City
Jackson County	Saline County*	White County
Jasper County	Springfield City	Will County
Mason County	Tazewell County	Williamson County
Massac County		

*On December 16, 2022, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity identified 22 areas eligible to apply for the Energy Transition Community Grant Program. Randolph County represented two (2) of these 22 areas, and Saline County represented three (3) of these 22 areas. Thus, Table A lists a total of 19 eligible Energy Transition Community Grant Areas.

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Second Item: Hydropower Preference Communities

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 and as defined in maps or other documents maintained by the IPA, or is a community with median incomes that do not exceed 82% of the median income in the state of Illinois.

If the Project is a hydropower project and the Project Site is located in or adjacent to a Hydropower Preference Community in either (1) the EJC map linked below, or (2) Table B below, the Project qualifies for the bid evaluation price reduction described in paragraph I.2.11 of the Indexed REC RFP Rules.

- (1) To determine whether the Project Site is within or adjacent to an EJC, please search the address using the map available from the IPA [Illinois Solar for All \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com). In the Part 1 Form, under the second item in Section 6, input the relevant Block Group ID in the field provided for Name of Hydropower Preference Community.
- (2) Table B lists the communities with median incomes that do not exceed 82% of the median income in the state of Illinois. U.S. Census Bureau data was used to determine the eligible communities, which are all geographical places in Illinois, including towns, villages, cities and Census Designated Places (CDP).^{1 2} The median household income for the state of Illinois is \$64,315 based on 2022 inflation-adjusted dollars.³

Table B. Hydropower Preference Communities⁴

TOWN, VILLAGE, CITY, OR CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACE (CDP) IN ILLINOIS			
Abingdon City	Adeline Village	Albany Village	Albion City
Aledo City	Alhambra Village	Allenville Village	Allerton Village
Alma Village	Alsey Village	Alsip Village	Alto Pass Village
Alton City	Anna City	Annawan Town	Apple River Village
Arlington Village	Armington Village	Aroma Park Village	Arthur Village
Ashley City	Ashmore Village	Ashton Village	Assumption City
Astoria Town	Atkinson Town	Atwood Village	Augusta Village
Ava City	Avon Village	Baldwin Village	Banner Village

¹ Census Designated Places (CDPs) are statistical geographies that represent closely settled, unincorporated communities. These communities are locally recognized and identified by name.

² U.S. Census Bureau. "Median Income in the Past 12 Months (in 2022 Inflation -Adjusted Dollars)." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S1903, 2022, [https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST5Y2022.S1903?t=Income and Poverty&g=040XX00US17\\$1600000](https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST5Y2022.S1903?t=Income and Poverty&g=040XX00US17$1600000). Accessed on April 19, 2024.

³ U.S. Census Bureau. "Median Income in the Past 12 Months (in 2022 Inflation -Adjusted Dollars)." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S1903, 2022, <https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST5Y2022.S1903?q=illinois median income&t=Income and Poverty>. Accessed on April 19, 2024.

⁴ Median income data is not available for some communities in Table S1903 via the American Community Survey. If data is not available through the American Community Survey for a community, a Bidder may submit alternate evidence that the median income for such community does not exceed 82% of the median income in the state of Illinois for review by the Procurement Administrator. Any alternate evidence must be based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

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Bardolph Village	Barry City	Barstow CDP	Basco Village
Batchtown Village	Bath Village	Bay View Gardens Village	Beardstown City
Beason CDP	Beaverville Village	Beckemeyer Village	Beecher City Village
Belgium Village	Belle Rive Village	Belleville City	Bellevue Village
Bellmont Village	Belvidere City	Benld City	Bentley Town
Benton City	Berlin Village	Bethany Village	Bingham Village
Bishop Hill Village	Blandinsville Village	Blue Island City	Blue Mound Village
Bluford Village	Bondville Village	Bone Gap Village	Boody CDP
Bradford Village	Bradley Village	Breese City	Bridgeport City
Bridgeview Village	Brimfield Village	Broadlands Village	Broadview Village
Broadwell Village	Brocton Village	Brooklyn Village	Brookport City
Broughton Village	Browns Village	Brownstown Village	Brussels Village
Bryant Village	Buckley Village	Buckner Village	Buda Village
Buncombe Village	Bureau Junction Village	Burnham Village	Bush Village
Bushnell City	Butler Village	Cabery Village	Cahokia Heights City
Cairo City	Calumet City City	Calumet Park Village	Camargo Village
Cambria Village	Camden Village	Cameron CDP	Camp Point Village
Campbell Hill Village	Canton City	Carbon Cliff Village	Carbondale City
Carlinville City	Carmi City	Carrier Mills Village	Carrollton City
Cartersville City	Casey City	Caseyville Village	Catlin Village
Cave-In-Rock Village	Cedar Point Village	Central City Village	Centralia City
Champaign City	Chandlerville Village	Channel Lake CDP	Charleston City
Chatsworth Town	Chemung CDP	Cherry Village	Chesterfield Village
Chicago Heights City	Chillicothe City	Chrisman City	Christopher City
Cisco Village	Cisne Village	Cissna Park Village	Claremont Village
Clay City Village	Clayton Village	Clear Lake Village	Clinton City
Coatsburg Village	Cobden Village	Coffeen City	Colchester City
Coleta Village	Colfax Village	Collinsville City	Compton Village
Concord Village	Cooksville Village	Cornell Village	Coulterville Village
Cowden Village	Crainville Village	Creal Springs City	Crescent City Village
Creve Coeur Village	Crossville Village	Cuba City	Cullom Village
Curran Village	Cutler Village	Cypress Village	Dahlgren Village
Dallas City City	Dana Village	Danforth Village	Danville City
Davis Village	De Land Village	De Soto Village	De Witt Village
Decatur City	Dekalb City	Dewey CDP	Dixmoor Village

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TOWN, VILLAGE, CITY, OR CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACE (CDP) IN ILLINOIS			
Dixon City	Dolton Village	Dongola Village	Donovan Village
Dover Village	Dowell Village	Du Quoin City	Dunfermline Village
Dupo Village	Durand Village	Eagarville Village	Earlville City
East Alton Village	East Cape Girardeau Village	East Carondelet Village	East Dubuque City
East Hazel Crest Village	East Moline City	East St. Louis City	Easton Village
Eddyville Village	Edgewood Village	Effingham City	El Paso City
Eldorado City	Eldred Village	Elizabeth Village	Elizabethtown Village
Elkville Village	Elliott Village	Ellis Grove Village	Ellisville Village
Ellsworth Village	Elvaston Village	Enfield Village	Equality Village
Eureka City	Evansville Village	Exeter Village	Fairbury City
Fairfield City	Fairmont CDP	Fairmont City Village	Farina Village
Farmersville Village	Farmington City	Fayetteville Village	Fidelity Village
Fillmore Village	Findlay Village	Flat Rock Village	Flora City
Florence Village	Ford Heights Village	Forest City Village	Franklin Grove Village
Franklin Village	Freeman Spur Village	Freeport City	Fulton City
Galatia Village	Galena City	Galesburg City	Galva City
Garden Prairie CDP	Garrett Village	Gays Village	Geneseo City
Georgetown City	Gibson City City	Gillespie City	Gilson CDP
Girard City	Gladstone Village	Glasgow Village	Godley Village
Golconda City	Golden Gate Village	Golden Village	Good Hope Village
Grand Tower City	Grandview Village	Granite City City	Grayville City
Green Valley Village	Greenup Village	Greenville City	Gridley Village
Griggsville City	Hamburg Village	Hamilton City	Hanaford Village
Hanover Village	Harmon Village	Harrisburg City	Harrison CDP
Hartford Village	Hartsburg Village	Harvel Village	Harvey City
Havana City	Hazel Crest Village	Henderson Village	Henry City
Herrick Village	Herrin City	Hettick Village	Hidalgo Village
Hillsboro City	Hodgkins Village	Holcomb CDP	Hometown City
Hoopston City	Hooppole Village	Hopedale Village	Hopkins Park Village
Hull Village	Humboldt Village	Hume Village	Hurst City
Hutsonville Village	Ina Village	Indianola Village	Industry Village
Ingalls Park CDP	Ipava Village	Iroquois Village	Irving Village
Irvington Village	Iuka Village	Ivesdale Village	Jacksonville City

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Jeffersonville Village	Jerome Village	Jewett Village	Johnsonville Village
Johnston City City	Jonesboro City	Joppa Village	Joslin CDP
Junction City Village	Junction Village	Justice Village	Kampsville Village
Kane Village	Kangley Village	Kankakee City	Kansas Village
Karnak Village	Keenes Village	Keithsburg City	Kell Village
Kewanee City	Keyesport Village	Kilbourne Village	Kincaid Village
Kinderhook Village	Kingston Mines Village	Kinmundy City	Kinsman Village
Kirkwood Village	La Clede CDP	La Fayette Village	La Harpe City
La Moille Village	La Rose Village	Lacon City	Ladd Village
Lake City CDP	Lake Ka-Ho Village	Lasalle City	Latham Village
Lawrenceville City	Lenzburg Village	Lerna Village	Lewistown City
Lincoln City	Litchfield City	Little York Village	Littleton Village
Liverpool Village	Livingston Village	Loami Village	Loda Village
Lomax Village	London Mills Village	Long Point Village	Loraine Village
Louisville Village	Loves Park City	Lovington Village	Ludlow Village
Lyndon Village	Lynnville Village	Lyons Village	Macedonia Village
Macomb City	Madison City	Malden Village	Manlius Village
Mapleton Village	Maquon Village	Marietta Village	Marion City
Marissa Village	Markham City	Maroa City	Marseilles City
Marshall City	Martinsville City	Mason City City	Mason Town
Mattoon City	Maunie Village	Mcclure Village	Mcleansboro City
Melvin Village	Mendota City	Meredosia Village	Merrionette Park Village
Metcalf Village	Metropolis City	Middletown Village	Milan Village
Milford Village	Mill Shoals Village	Milledgeville Village	Millersburg CDP
Milton Village	Mineral Village	Minonk City	Mitchell CDP
Moline City	Momence City	Monmouth City	Montrose Village
Mound City City	Mounds City	Mount Auburn Village	Mount Carmel City
Mount Carroll City	Mount Clare Village	Mount Erie Village	Mount Morris Village
Mount Olive City	Mount Sterling City	Mount Vernon City	Mulberry Grove Village
Murphysboro City	Murrayville Village	Naplate Village	Nason City
Nauvoo City	Nebo Village	Nekoma CDP	Nelson Village
New Athens Village	New Bedford Village	New Boston City	New Burnside Village

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New Canton Town	New Douglas Village	New Grand Chain Village	New Haven Village
New Salem Village	Newton City	Niantic Village	Nilwood Town
Noble Village	Nokomis City	Nora Village	Normal Town
Norris City Village	Norris Village	North Chicago City	North City Village
North Riverside Village	Oak Grove Village	Oakford Village	Oakland City
Oakwood Village	Oblong Village	Oconee Village	Odell Village
Odin Village	Oglesby City	Ohio Village	Ohlman Village
Old Ripley Village	Olmsted Village	Olney City	Omaha Village
Onarga Village	Oneida City	Opdyke CDP	Ophiem CDP
Oquawka Village	Orangeville Village	Orient City	Otterville Town
Palestine Village	Palmer Village	Palmyra Village	Pana City
Panama Village	Papineau Village	Paris City	Park City City
Park Forest Village	Parkersburg Village	Paw Paw Village	Paxton City
Payson Village	Pearl City Village	Pearl Village	Pekin City
Peoria City	Peoria Heights Village	Percy Village	Perry Village
Peru City	Phoenix Village	Pierron Village	Pinckneyville City
Piper City Village	Pittsburg Village	Pittsfield City	Pleasant Hill Village
Plymouth Village	Pocahontas Village	Polo City	Pontiac City
Pontoon Beach Village	Pontoosuc Village	Posen Village	Potomac Village
Prairie City Village	Preston Heights CDP	Princeton City	Pulaski Village
Quincy City	Radom Village	Raleigh Village	Ramsey Village
Rankin Village	Rantoul Village	Raymond Village	Redmon Village
Richmond Village	Richview Village	Ridge Farm Village	Ridgway Village
Ridott Village	Ripley Village	Ritchie CDP	Riverdale Village
Riverton Village	Robbins Village	Roberts Village	Robinson City
Rochelle City	Rock City Village	Rock Falls City	Rock Island Arsenal CDP
Rock Island City	Rockdale Village	Rockford City	Rockwood Village
Roodhouse City	Rose Hill Village	Roseville Village	Rosiclare City
Rossville Village	Round Lake Park Village	Roxana Village	Royalton Village
Rushville City	Russellville Village	Rutland Village	Salem City
Sammons Point Village	San Jose Village	Sandoval Village	Sauget Village
Sauk Village Village	Savanna City	Sawyer Village	Saybrook Village
Scales Mound Village	Schram City Village	Seaton Village	Seatonville Village
Secor Village	Sesser City	Shabbona Village	Shannon Village

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Shawneetown City	Shelbyville City	Sheldon Village	Shipman Town
Shirley CDP	Sibley Village	Sidell Village	Simpson Village
Sims Village	Smithboro Village	Smithfield Village	Sorento Village
South Chicago Heights Village	South Jacksonville Village	South Pekin Village	South Roxana Village
Southern View Village	Sparland Village	Sparta City	Spring Bay Village
Spring Valley City	Springerton Village	Springfield City	St. Anne Village
St. Augustine Village	St. David Village	St. Elmo City	St. Francisville City
St. Johns Village	Standard City Village	Standard Village	Staunton City
Steeleville Village	Steger Village	Sterling City	Stewardson Village
Stockton Village	Stonefort Village	Stonington Village	Streator City
Sublette Village	Sullivan City	Summerfield Village	Summit Village
Sumner City	Sun River Terrace Village	Sunnyland CDP	Symerton Village
Table Grove Village	Tallula Village	Tamaroa Village	Tamms Village
Tampico Village	Taylor Springs Village	Taylorville City	Tennessee Village
Thawville Village	Thayer Village	Thebes Village	Thomasboro Village
Thompsonville Village	Tilden Village	Tilton Village	Time Village
Tiskilwa Village	Toledo Village	Toluca City	Toulon City
Tower Hill Village	Unity CDP	University Park Village	Urbana City
Ursa Village	Valier Village	Vandalia City	Varna Village
Venice City	Vergennes Village	Vermilion Village	Vermont Village
Vernon Village	Verona Village	Versailles Village	Victoria Village
Vienna City	Villa Grove City	Virginia City	Walnut Village
Waltonville Village	Wamac City	Wapella Village	Warsaw City
Washburn Village	Washington Park Village	Wataga Village	Watseka City
Waverly City	Wayne City Village	Weldon Village	Wellington Village
Wenona City	West City Village	West Frankfort City	West Liberty CDP
West Peoria City	West Salem Village	Westfield Village	Westville Village
White Hall City	Williamson Village	Willisville Village	Willow Hill Village
Wilsonville Village	Winchester City	Windsor City	Windsor Village
Winslow Village	Witt City	Wood River City	Woodland Village
Worth Village	Wyanet Village	Wyoming City	Xenia Village
Yates City Village	Zeigler City		