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City Light's 2020 RFP for new renewable supply resources

Questions and Answers

Q. You are asking for a lot. What do you really want?

A. We are describing our needs as carefully as possible. We are looking for newly-built renewable supply resource(s). This/these resource(s) will support a new customer subscription-based program for 100 percent renewable supply, and that program is new to City Light and under development. The program is contingent upon customer participation, and customer participation is a function of and contingent on price, technology, and on-line date. If your project(s) have meaningful distinctions based on different pricing, on-line dates, sizes, contract length, or other factors, please provide responses for more than one configuration.

Q. Site control: City Light's requirements for site control are very high. Will you modify the RFP to better match industry practice regarding site control?

A. Yes. We will modify the RFP's language on site control. Please tell us where you are as of March 1, 2021 regarding site control and your plan for getting to 100% site control. We will evaluate all respondents on the basis of existing site control and the plan to get to 100%. Site control includes interconnection facilities, if any.

Q. Will City Light consider co-located resources?

A. Yes.

Q. Transmission interconnection. Developers may not have an executed System Impact Study Agreement at the time of responding to the RFP. What do we have to provide for you to consider our project(s)?

A. All bidders should tell us the status of their request for interconnection and a System Impact Study. If no request is pending as of 3/1/2021, then providing that information is responsive.

Q. Transmission service. What do you want regarding transmission service and BAASA?

A. Transmission service or a request is not a requirement for responding to the RFP. Tell us what transmission service request, if any, you have made on behalf of the project(s). Tell us the status of a BAASA request, if any, you have made on behalf of the project(s). If you are open to considering a pseudo-tie to our BAA, please let us know. City Light does not have a preference between dynamic or static resources.

Q. Transmission service and short-listed parties. What is your expectation regarding transmission service?

A. The RFP timeline states that contract execution could occur October 1, transmission concurrent. This means that we would need some agreement with the potentially successful bidders about how they will work with us to assure transmission service from the short-listed project(s) to our service territory. This work will occur during project development and potentially longer.

Q. Project operations and scheduling. Is City Light able to provide daily transmission scheduling or would City Light prefer that the project do so?

A. City Light does not have a preference. If you can provide the services, please provide pricing. If you are not, please say so.

Q. Co-located resources and scheduling: Would City Light prefer to be the scheduling coordinator or to receive a shaped product?

A. City Light does not have a preference. If you can provide the services, please provide pricing. If you are not or can not, please say so.

Q. Section 3.1.7 and ability to sell power. How does this apply?

A. Please show us the documentation that demonstrates that the project developer, directly or through a 3rd party, is authorized to operate the project and fulfill the terms of a PPA.

Q. Regional location of resource. Will you consider resources in Montana?

A. Yes. City Light is looking for new renewable supply resources that can be delivered to our service territory. Transmission from Montana to our service territory has some specific attributes that we would consider if the project(s) merited such work.

Q. Storage. What configuration are you looking for?

A. We are still learning about how batteries or other on-site storage technologies work operationally and financially. Please provide whatever configuration(s) of storage you think best supports your response. Please show or describe how the technologies will work together and within the interconnection and transmission service, if any.

Q. Storage: will you consider storage projects on a stand-alone basis?

A. Yes. We are looking for new renewable supply resources, and we will consider how stand-alone storage projects may work with our portfolio and new resources.

Q. Joint ventures and credit. If a bidder is part of a joint venture, how will it show it can meet the RFP credit requirements?

A. Please provide whatever documentation as exists between or among the parties that the bidding party has the financial resources to develop and operate the project(s) and meet all financial obligations over the term of the proposed agreement.

Q. Credit: Can you provide an estimate of the amount of bidder collateral required, preferably in terms of \$/MW of nameplate capacity.

A. We need to see documentation that the bidder has the financial resources to develop and operate the project(s) during the term of the proposed agreement. We cannot express that in \$/MW.

Q. Confidentiality: Is it acceptable if equipment quotes are redacted to protect confidential pricing?

A. Yes. This may limit our ability to review the support for the response(s), but we understand the request.

Q. Confidentiality: Have you made any changes to the NDA?

A. Yes. We will add this sentence to part 3: Neither Party nor its Representatives shall be liable to the other Party or its Representatives for any special, indirect, non-compensatory, consequential, incidental, punitive, or exemplary damages of any type, including lost or prospective profits, loss of business opportunity, or business interruptions, whether arising in contract or tort (including negligence, whether

sole, joint or concurrent, or strict liability, but excluding gross negligence or willful misconduct), or otherwise, arising under this Agreement.

Q. Frequency response. Can you clarify 3.4.3 and what is a "sufficient" frequency response reserve?

A. If the resource(s) will be in another BAA, that will be sufficient. If the developers are considering a pseudo-tie to City Light's BAA, then we would make frequency response along with meeting all NERC requirements part of the discussions.

Q. What is City Light's expectation regarding the Capacity Maintenance Agreement?

A. City Light wants to see how the developer will manage the project over the proposed life of a PPA or ownership agreement to keep the project in good working order over the term of the PPA or project ownership. This will be in conjunction with the PPA or ownership agreement.

Q. Does this conclude the Q&A?

A. Yes.