PacifiCorp 2017S RFP Questions and Answers November 21, 2017

The following are questions and answers provided since issuance of the PacifiCorp 2017S RFP on Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

For additional questions, please submit them to the 2017S RFP mailbox at:

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http://www.pacificorp.com/sup/rfps/2017S-RFP.html

Question and Answers Prior to 2017S RFP Bidder Workshop, November 21, 2017

1. Is the NOI binding in terms of projects, sizes, configurations? Or can the final proposal submission vary from the NOI?

The NOI is only to provide an indicator of number of bids and size plus the credit information in Appendix D. NOI project info is non-binding.

Question and Answers from 2017S RFP Bidder Workshop, November 21, 2017

1. Several Renewable Northwest clients had concern about the tight timeline. Would PacifiCorp consider an extension?

We understand the concern about tight timelines but are unable to extend the deadline. The Utah Commission recommended the solar RFP and we are trying to align the Initial Shortlist deadline for the solar RFP with the Final Shortlist deadline for the wind RFP.

2. When was the Utah order issued regarding the need for solar RFP?

September 22, 2017: Docket 17-035-23. The docket proceedings can be accessed on the Utah Public Service Commission website.

3. Regarding the tax treatment you mentioned, what public precedence that this should be part of the consideration or has it been an issue in other projects for previous wind?

So far it has not been an issue but PacifiCorp has received advice from our tax department as well as our accounting department to be considerate of this issue and treatment. The 2017S RFP main document contains a specific foot note reference on

page 17. Developers should review the references in the footnotes and seek counsel for themselves on the tax and accounting treatment.

4. Are you looking for a statement saying Bidder is bound by costs or are you looking for an estimate of those costs?

We are looking for an estimate of the costs but the bidder should consider that the bid they submit is binding. From the System Impact Study, PacifiCorp need to review the estimated Direct Assigned Costs and any network upgrades associated with the interconnection. We are not looking for the deliverability / network upgrades cost estimate that would come out of any transmission service request, which PacifiCorp's merchant business would request later if a bidder was awarded a PPA. Instead, PacifiCorp only wants the bidder to provide the costs for the Direct Assigned Costs and any other costs required for the bidder's project to clamp onto PacifiCorp's system.

5. You mentioned transmission issues for parts of the system for PacifiCorp? Are you recommending we don't bid in projects that would interconnection for example below the cut plain in Utah? Are you not going to review them?

PacifiCorp is not restricting projects from any locations. Bidders may propose system wide projects. In the evaluation, PacifiCorp will consider transmission constraints. If, for example, it comes back and PacifiCorp Transmission estimates that interconnection will take ten years to get built then it will create an issue with the Bidder to meet the milestones within the RFP

6. Will there be a signed NDA as part of this process?

Yes, there is both a mutual confidentiality agreement and non-reliance letter form provided in Appendix G. The confidentiality agreement is to be signed at the time of Initial Shortlist and a Non-reliance letter to be signed at the time of Final Shortlist. PacifiCorp is willing to sign the MCA immediately if requested by the Bidder. Some bidders prefer to have MCAs signed earlier than later – if so, go ahead sign and send them over and we will counter sign. If you have proposed edits then send a redline of the draft and we will consider the requested change but the MCA is generally not negotiated.

7. Do you want two sets of forms signed if there are two separate projects (two Base bids)?

Yes, we prefer that Bidders submitting two different Base bids provide two separate Bid responses. Bidders can save both sets of Bid responses on the same USB but please separate them into distinct folders

8. Can you use other software besides PV Syst to complete your resource analysis?

You can, but PacifiCorp requests an explanation of what it is and its basis for modeling. PacifiCorp will validate the solar generation using the PV Syst model.

9. Can an LOI be used as land control?

Bidders should submit what evidence of land control they have. You can bid with an LOI, but when we make our evaluations, we will be looking for control. An LOI is not as certain as having a lease executed.

10. Is the 12-31-2020 COD a firm requirement?

It is a firm requirement with respect to the requirements we've placed on wind and it is critical to have an apples-for-apples comparison to solar. We realize that the ITC does not have a 2020 cliff. We will focus on what maximizes the benefit to the customer on a benefits minus costs calculation.

11. Are early CODs looked on favorably?

If you have ability to come online earlier, then feel free to bid it. There's no preference. We will focus on what maximizes the benefit to the customer on a benefits minus costs calculation.

12. Addressing Suniva, do you want anything in our bids addressing the solar module trade cases?

Yes. We are looking for Bidders to explain reason and background to bid. One of the bid requirements is to provide a major components procurement strategy. We are looking for firm bids, so Bidders should explain how they will accomplish that goal.

13. When we get to the Final Shortlist, is that when our projects get compared with wind projects?

If you look at the timing of the wind RFP versus the solar RFP, the wind RFP will have its final shortlist done at the time the initial shortlist is completed for solar. Solar projects will be compared against solar projects in the initial shortlist. In the final shortlist process, we run individual and portfolios of projects through our IRP models (SO and PaR) at which time the solar projects are measured for customer benefit in light of all of the other resources in the overall system.

14. Do you have a target for the rate of getting to the 2000 MW? Do you have a see through rate for what you expect or what you are looking for?

No, our goal is to provide the best project portfolio that provides customer benefits to our customers. The final portfolio could be greater than or less than 2000 MW.

Question and Answers Post 2017S RFP Bidder Workshop, November 21, 2017

1. Does PacifiCorp have a preference for projects that have submitted for Network Resource Interconnection Service vs Energy Resource Interconnection Service?

An Energy Resource Interconnection is preferred. PacifiCorp will need to see both direct and network upgrade costs associated with the interconnection through the ER studies.

2. Can projects of capacity greater than 300 MW submit proposals as long as only 300 MW will be delivered to PacifiCorp or covered under the PPA?

PacifiCorp will accept a bid up to 300 MW from a project, however PacifiCorp would reserve its rights on review of the project supporting the bid to determine if it was in compliance with the RFP including the project's site control, permits, and interconnection and relationship to any other transaction on MWs outside of the 300 MW if from the same project.

3. I am wondering if a feasibility study for interconnection must be initiated in order to bid?

No. The requirement to bid is that Bidder must have signed an interconnection study agreement with PacifiCorp Transmission and have a queue number.