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**PacifiCorp**  
**Request for Proposals for**  
**Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)**  
**(June 2020 REC RFP)**

**ISSUED: June 12, 2020**

**DUE DATE: June 26, 2020**

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**Responses:**

**RFP-REC@PACIFICORP.COM**

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**SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION AND RFP PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

For this June 2020 RFP, PacifiCorp seeks cost-competitive bids for renewable energy credits (RECs) that can be used to meet its customers’ needs. PacifiCorp is seeking the following REC product type:

- WECC, Green-e eligible unbundled RECs from a wind or solar Generating Facility with a commercial operation date on or after January 1, 2007.
  - Preference is for RECs being sourced from newer facilities with newer on-line dates.
  - Owner of Generating Facility must submit, or will have submitted, a “Green-e Energy Attestation from Generator Participating in a Tracking System” form to Green-e and have Green-e’s acceptance of the form.
  - Resource location preference is from states served by Pacific Power or Rocky Mountain.
  - Other states still within WECC will also be considered.
- Eligible REC Vintage Period is from July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.
- Minimum amount of RECs bid by a prospective seller should not be less than 5,000 RECs.
- Delivery: RECs will be transferred via the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (“WREGIS”) in the first quarter of 2021.

**Underlying Agreement**

Existing enabling agreement, WSPP Agreement – Schedule R, or PacifiCorp REC Purchase and Sale Agreement

**SECTION 2. LOGISTICS**

**A. RFP Schedule**

**Indicative Schedule**

| Milestone  | Date                                 |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| PacifiCorp issuance of RFP   | Friday, June 12, 2020                |
| Questions Due from Interested Bidders  | Friday, June 19, 2020                |
| Responses to Bidder Questions Posted to PacifiCorp Website   | Tuesday, June 23, 2020               |
| Bids Due   | 5:00 p.m. PPT, Friday, June 26, 2020 |
| RFP offer evaluations completed and Bidders notified if they have been selected for negotiation of an Underlying Agreement | Tuesday, July 6, 2020                |
| Target date for any underlying agreement(s) and or confirmation agreement(s) to be completed                               | Friday, July 17, 2020                |

The indicative schedule is subject to change. PacifiCorp accepts no liability to the extent the actual schedule varies from the indicative schedule. PacifiCorp is not obligated to develop a shortlist of Bidders, to make a final selection, or to initiate or complete negotiations on any transaction.

## **B. Submission of Bids**

Interested Bidders should submit a completed RFP Bid Submittal Form (shown in Appendix A) electronically by 1:00 p.m. PPT on Friday June 26, 2020 via email to:

[RFP-REC@pacificorp.com](mailto:RFP-REC@pacificorp.com)

**All proposals shall have a bid validity date through July 17, 2020.**

Each proposal will be prepared at the sole cost and expense of the bidder and with the express understanding that there will be no claims whatsoever for reimbursement from PacifiCorp. PacifiCorp is not liable for any costs incurred by bidders in responding to this RFP or for any damages arising out of or relating to PacifiCorp's rejection of any proposal, or Bidder's reliance upon any communication received from PacifiCorp, for any reason. Bidder shall bear all costs and expenses of any response to PacifiCorp in connection with its proposal, including providing additional information and Bidder's own expenses in negotiating and reviewing any documentation.

## **C. Communications**

Interested parties and Bidders may submit questions related to this solicitation, and PacifiCorp will respond in a timely fashion. All questions on the RFP or related documents should be sent to PacifiCorp via email at [RFP-REC@pacificorp.com](mailto:RFP-REC@pacificorp.com).

## **SECTION 3. BIDDER'S CREDIT INFORMATION**

Upon being selected to negotiate an Underlying Agreement, the Bidder must provide the following information to enable PacifiCorp to evaluate the financial viability of the Bidder and any entity providing credit assurances on behalf of the Bidder, as applicable.

### **1. Credit information for Bidder**

- a. Exact legal name and address of Bidder.
- b. Debt Ratings from S&P and/or Moody's (please provide senior unsecured long term debt rating or corporate rating if a debt rating is unavailable). Please indicate type of rating, rating, and source.
- c. Please attach copies of audited financial statements (including balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement) for the three most recent fiscal years.
- d. Identify pending legal disputes (describe).
- e. Please state whether the Bidder is or has within the past five (5) years been the

debtor in any bankruptcy proceeding.

- f. If the Bidder is unable to provide audited financial statements or is relying upon another entity to provide credit assurances on its behalf, the Bidder must indicate whether (i) the Bidder is unable to provide audited financial statements and, (ii) the Bidder is relying upon another entity(ies) to provide credit assurances on its behalf.
- g. The Bidder should demonstrate its ability (and/or the ability of its credit support provider to provide the required security, including its plan for doing so, including the type of security, sources of security, and a description of its credit support provider).

**2. Credit information for entity(ies) providing credit assurances on behalf of Bidder (as applicable)**

- a. Exact legal name and address of entity(ies) providing credit assurances on behalf of Bidder.
- b. Describe the relationship to the Bidder and describe the type of credit assurances to be provided (e.g., parental guaranty, cash deposit, or letter of credit, etc.). The Bidder must provide to PacifiCorp a letter(s) of commitment acceptable to PacifiCorp from the entity(ies) providing the credit assurances on behalf of the Bidder executed by an authorized signatory and indicating the amount and form of credit assurances it will provide. More than one commitment letter, or more than one form of commitment letter, may be necessary.
- c. Debt Ratings from S&P and/or Moody's (please provide senior unsecured long term debt rating or corporate rating if a debt rating is unavailable). Please indicate type of rating, rating, and source.
- d. Please attach copies of audited financial statements (including balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement) for the three most recent fiscal years.
- e. Pending legal disputes (describe).
- f. Please state whether entity(ies) providing credit assurances on behalf of the Bidder is or has within the past five (5) years been the debtor in any bankruptcy proceeding.

The Bidder may be required to post credit assurances for the applicable bid. PacifiCorp will not accept collateral thresholds, credit ratings triggers, general adequate assurances language or similar language that might require the PacifiCorp to provide performance assurances to the Bidder. PacifiCorp may require the Bidder to provide a commitment letter(s) from a proposed guarantor(s) and/or from a financial institution(s) that would be issuing a letter of credit as performance assurances on behalf of the Bidder. The amount of performance assurances to be provided will be determined based upon factors which include the following:

- a. The credit rating of the Bidder and the entity(ies) providing credit assurances on behalf of the Bidder, as applicable.
- b. Terms of the underlying contract.
- c. The volume to be delivered.
- d. Expected start date

The credit rating is defined as the lower of: x) the most recently published senior, unsecured long term debt rating (or corporate rating if a debt rating is unavailable) from Standard & Poor's (S&P) and/or y) the most recently published senior, unsecured debt rating (or corporate rating if a debt rating is unavailable) from Moody's Investor Services. If option x) and y) are not available, the credit rating will be determined by PacifiCorp through an internal process review utilizing a proprietary credit scoring model developed in conjunction with a third party. All Bidders will receive a credit rating which will be used in determining the amount of any credit assurances to be posted. With few exceptions, PacifiCorp will expect Bidders with sub investment-grade credit ratings (or being of similar creditworthiness) to provide performance assurances acceptable to PacifiCorp.

A financial institution providing a letter of credit as performance assurances on behalf of the Bidder must be a major U.S. commercial bank and have at all times a credit rating of at least 'A' and 'A2' from S&P and Moody's, respectively, and have assets (net of reserves) of at least \$10,000,000,000. Should the financial institution providing credit assurances on behalf of the Bidder fail to meet these minimum requirements PacifiCorp will require credit assurances from a replacement financial institution that does meet the requirements.

## **SECTION 4. CONFIDENTIALITY, COMPANY RESERVATION OF RIGHTS AND DISCLAIMERS**

### **A. Confidentiality**

PacifiCorp will attempt to maintain the confidentiality of all bids submitted, to the extent consistent with law or regulatory order, as long as such confidentiality does not adversely impact a regulatory proceeding. It is the Bidder's responsibility to clearly indicate in its proposal what information it deems to be confidential. Bidders may not mark an entire bid proposal as confidential, but must mark specific information on individual pages to be confidential in order to receive confidential treatment for that information.

All information supplied to PacifiCorp or generated internally by PacifiCorp shall remain the property of PacifiCorp. The Bidder shall maintain the confidentiality of such information and such information shall not be available to any entity before, during or after this RFP process unless required by law or regulatory order. The Bidder expressly acknowledges that PacifiCorp may retain information submitted by the Bidder in connection with this RFP.

Only those PacifiCorp employees and contractors who are directly involved in this RFP process or with the need to know for business reasons will be afforded the opportunity to view submitted bids or Bidder information.

Bidders should be aware that information they supply may be requested and supplied during regulatory proceedings, subject to appropriate confidentiality provisions applicable to that

particular proceeding. This means that parties to regulatory proceedings may request and view confidential information. If such a request occurs, PacifiCorp will attempt to prevent confidential Bidder information from being supplied to intervening parties who are Bidders or who may be providing services to a Bidder, but PacifiCorp cannot promise success in that endeavor and accordingly cannot be held liable for any information that it is ordered to be released or that is inadvertently released.

Lastly, PacifiCorp intends to utilize its internal, proprietary, models and assumptions during its evaluation process. The resulting evaluations will not be shared with entities external to PacifiCorp or its consultants, including with Bidders, unless required by law or regulatory order.

**B. Company Reservation of Rights and Disclaimers:**

This RFP contains only an invitation to make Proposals to PacifiCorp. No Proposal is itself a binding contract unless the parties execute definitive and complete documentation providing otherwise.

PacifiCorp reserves the right, without qualification and in its sole discretion, to reject any or all bids, and to terminate this RFP in whole or in part at any time. PacifiCorp further reserves the right without qualification and in its sole discretion to decline to enter into any agreement with any Bidder for any reason, including, but not limited to, change in regulations or regulatory requirements that impact PacifiCorp and/or any collusive bidding or other anticompetitive behavior or conduct of Bidders.

Bidders who submit bid proposals do so without recourse against PacifiCorp, its parent company, its affiliates and its subsidiaries, or against any director, officer, employee, agent or representative of any of them, for any modification or withdrawal of this RFP, rejection of any bid proposal, failure to enter into an agreement, or for any other reason relating to or arising out of this RFP.