

JULY 26, 2021

CLARIFICATION NO. 3
FOR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR CITY OF CHICAGO MUNICIPAL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY
INCLUDING RENEWABLE GENERATION
SPECIFICATION NO. 1209143

RESPONDENTS MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS CLARIFICATION VIA EMAIL TO electricitysupply@cityofchicago.org

Question No. 1: Provide a list of the accounts you want us to price. If the list is the same as January, our firm will roll with that. However, we are in the process of requesting new load from COMED right now to make your timeline. If you have these current lists available it would be most helpful to provide an accurate assessment.

Response: Base your pricing off the list of accounts provided in January 2021.

Question No. 2: Does the City have a target date in mind to award and a subsequent target date to finalize / execute contracts ahead of one of these start dates (the original January, 2022 start and the new January 2023 start in the alternate request)?

Response : The City notes that, if it chooses to award a contact pursuant to this RFP, it seeks to conclude negotiations with a respondent and make such an award as quickly as possible after receiving any proposal revision submittals.

Question No. 3: Addendum #7 states that the City is open to variable pricing for the final two years of the first five-year period pursuant to the RFP guidelines. Can the City elaborate on the type of variable pricing it is envisioning and requesting?

Response: Form 5, Part C allows Respondents to specify the total percentage of load that the quoted ComEd Load Following Energy Price specified for the period January 2025 to January 2027 will apply to. Entering 100% would indicate the Respondent is requiring the City to fix the energy price for 100% of the energy for List 1 facilities for the period. Entering 0% would imply all energy for the period for these same accounts will track the ComEd hourly day ahead LMP. Entering 50% would imply half the energy will be fixed and the other half will float with the ComEd hourly day ahead LMP, for the List 1 accounts for the two-year period.

By way of direction, the City suggests Respondents consider a 50% level; however, if your organization will require a higher percentage of fixed price energy, you should enter that percentage, up to 100%.

Question No. 4: Can the City provide an updated expected timeline for the selection, negotiation, and execution of a contract with the selected supplier?

Response: The City notes that, if it chooses to award a contact pursuant to this RFP, it seeks to conclude negotiations with a respondent and make such an award as quickly as possible after receiving any proposal revision submittals.

Question No. 5: Can the Respondent request the opportunity to meet with the City in advance of Aug 3rd to discuss the City's latest request, in order to best meet the City's needs?

Response: **The City will notify Respondents if and when it provides a new opportunity to present proposal revisions to the Evaluation Committee for this RFP.**

Question No. 6: Can the City confirm that the refresh of Form 5 should only reflect Scenario A?

Response: **Scenario A should be selected.**

Question No. 7: When will respondents have opportunity to discuss projects, timing, requirements, limitations, and execution with the City?

Response: **The City will notify Respondents if and when it provides a new opportunity to present proposal revisions to the Evaluation Committee for this RFP.**

Question No. 8: Can the City provide any insight into the drivers of Respondent's non-selection in the earlier RFP stage (e.g., pricing, contract term, location of projects, etc.), and an indication if any objectives or the prioritization/weightings of such objectives may have changed for the City since the original RFP was issued? This will ensure Respondent is able to provide the best updated offer to meet the City's needs.

Response: **The City of Chicago cannot discuss the selection process of an ongoing procurement until a finalized award has been determined.**

Question No. 9: Can the Respondent request the opportunity to meet with the City to formally review/discuss Respondent's updated proposal following the refreshed bid submission?

Response: **The City will notify Respondents if and when it provides a new opportunity to present proposal revisions to the Evaluation Committee for this RFP.**

END OF CLARIFICATION NO. 3

**CITY OF CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF ASSETS, INFORMATION & SERVICES**

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