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## Questions and Answers

# For OG&E's 2022 Solar RFP

#### Question #1

Is BTA the only contract type possible? Can bids include 100MW of capacity on a BTA basis and 100MW under a PPA (i.e., combined packages)?

**A:** OG&E is seeking ownership of Solar resources through its 2022 Solar RFP.

#### Question #2

Is there a technical specification that bidders should follow for co-located battery storage?

**A:** OG&E can provide a technical specification for battery storage. If Bidders would like to receive the technical specification, please submit a request to <a href="Solar2022RFPComm@oge.com">Solar2022RFPComm@oge.com</a>. A fully-executed Mutual Non-Disclosure Agreement ("NDA") will be required prior to Bidders receiving the technical specification.

#### Question #3

Are Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) attributes required to be included with submission?

**A:** Ownership of the solar resource noted in the response to Question #1 is traditionally inclusive of all products and attributes of the facility as part of the submitted Bid. However, Bidders are encouraged to be creative with their Bid submission while staying within the requirements laid out in the RFP. Bidders are also required to submit a redline copy of the form Build Transfer Agreement ("BTA") as part of their Bid submission package.

#### Question #4

We were unable to attend the RFP Technical Conference. Could you please send up the presentation for review?

**A:** The presentation slides from the 2022 Solar RFP Technical Conference can be found on OG&E's RFP website on the Suppliers and Contractors page: <u>OG&E - Suppliers & Contractors (oge.com)</u>. The direct link to the presentation slides is here: <u>PowerPoint Presentation (oge.com)</u>.

### **Question #5**

Will OG&E accept BTA offers that require an additional PPA contract for a separate resource?

A: Please see OG&E's responses to Bidder Questions #1 and #3.

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#### Question #6

We are unable to meet the November 3<sup>rd</sup> deadline due to the time required in the pricing process. Will OG&E accept pricing submitted the week of November 14th?

**A:** OG&E requires all Bids to be submitted by the November 3<sup>rd</sup> due date. However, the Bidder can characterize the offer with limitations as needed to meet the Bidder's internal requirements. In such an instance, OG&E encourages the Bidder to be very specific about its limitations. OG&E can then, at its discretion, seek follow-up information during the Bid evaluation process.

#### Question #7

We have already executed a MNDA form with OG&E recently for another RFP, as such would it be possible to utilize the existing MNDA for this RFP as well?

A: OG&E will review this on a case by case basis.

## **Question #8**

Would OG&E be open to pushing back the 11/3 due date, given how prescriptive the proposal requirements are?

A: Please see OG&Es response to Bidder Question #6.

# **Question #9**

With respect to BTA pricing, does OG&E have a preference on the purchase price structure (e.g., cost plus structure, index structure, etc.)?

**A:** OG&E prefers offers structured as a firm fixed price to reduce risk for customers. Bidders are permitted to offer alternative pricing structures, which will be evaluated and compared to other offered pricing structures. Section 3.3.1 Contract Risks, Costs, and Benefits addresses the qualitative assessment of non-firm contract terms.

#### Question #10

In the Form BTA (Section 11), the Credit Support amount is blank. Could OG&E provide any insight into what this amount might be or how it will be formulated?

A: This Credit Support amount will be finalized during the negotiation if the project is selected.

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#### Question #11

In the Form BTA, it states, "Depending on whether OGE has tax appetite, it may or may not use tax equity financing in connection with this Agreement. In order to accommodate this potentiality, tax equity related provisions have been included and bracketed throughout this Agreement and will be required if OGE pursues tax equity financing." Given this context, it's uncertain whether OG&E will be claiming the tax credits or require us to monetize those via tax equity structuring. As such, should our BTA bid price assume there is no tax equity requirement from us? Or would you prefer we include this in our BTA bid price?

**A:** The language in the BTA around tax equity financing is provisional if OG&E decides to utilize tax equity financing. At this time, there is not a requirement from OG&E that bidders monetize the tax credits via tax equity structuring and therefore not required to be included in the BTA bid price.

### **Question #12**

Is there a specific time Bids are due on Thursday, November 3rd?

**A:** Bids are expected to be submitted to the RFP Bid inbox (<u>Solar2022RFPBids@oge.com</u>) by 11:59 pm on Thursdav. November 3<sup>rd</sup>.