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RE: RFP 2020-12-16

Installation of a Solar Photovoltaic Energy System On Closed Cells at the Pittsylvania County Landfill

The following shall serve as Addendum #1. Please acknowledge receipt of this addendum when submitting your proposal.

Dear Vendor:

- 1. Do you anticipate extending the bid due date? No
- 2. What additional details are you willing to provide, if any, beyond what is stated in bid documents concerning how you will identify the winning bid? none
- 3. Was this bid posted to the nationwide free bid notification website at //www.mygovwatch.com/free. No
- 4. Other than your own website, where was this bid posted? Virginia Business Opportunity
- 5. My engineering company produces one of the few solar powered commercial off the shelf (COTs) product and arrives ready to install and work. Since we build a standalone COTS that has been in public use since 2009, and our units are already built to commercial standards, will we still need NABCEP proof for the installers? Our solar tables are custom built and fabricated to NEC 2014 standards and National ADA handicap standards and conditions. We use general contractors to assemble the Solar tables onsite, as such we have never used NABCEP certified installers since our off grid solar powered tables run on their own independent (battery stored) power for everyday users to power laptops, cell phones etc. As long as you can provide certification that they were installed in accordance with industry standards. The ultimate decision on installation and operation will be decided by Dominion Power if they chose the landfill as a potential site for solar development.
- 6. In light of limited physical interactions due to pandemic, will the County consider accepting proposals electronically? No, we do not have the capability right now.
- 7. Will the County accept docusigned/electronic signatures in lieu of wet signatures? We would prefer the original signature
- 8. With many business offices closed for two weeks or more now due to pandemic restrictions combined with holiday time of year, will the County consider extending due date by 7 days? No, we will be sending this to the Board of Supervisors for approval on 1/19, and we need time to evaluate the

proposals.

- 9. Can the County please provide a site map indicating which area/s can be considered for the solar? See Attachment
- 10. Section I of RFP contains term "Site". Can you please define/clarify? the site is located at the Pittsylvania County Landfill. See attached

It is the desire of the County to promote the installation of a System(s) for the benefit of the County and the environment. This Request for Proposals is being issued to allow the County to evaluate options and determine the project and financial arrangements that best meet the County's interest and goals. The goal of this RFP is to lease the Site for the purposes of siting a Solar Energy System in order to provide a revenue stream to the County in the form of monthly payments. The County notes that it is not seeking proposals whereby it would be a mandatory off-taker of energy from the System.

- 11. Has an interconnection study been performed with the utility? If so, will you provide it? No.
- 12. Which utility currently services the landfill facilities (e.g., maintenance shed, animal shelter)? Will you provide electric service bills for either? Dominion has a transmission line running through the property and City of Danville serves some of the services on the property
- 13. Section III describes a number of areas of the landfill. Is the potential site comprising 15-20 acres part of trench 1A, trench BC, or others? Part of both trenches and adjoining closed cells
- 14. What material and depth of surface coverage was applied to the closed landfill potential solar site? Not sure. Per DEQ specifications.
- 15. What lengths of term will the County consider? Will the County consider a 15-year lease with (4) options for 5-year extensions? 15 year and three 5 year extensions
- 16. Is a topographic survey of the landfill available? If so, will you provide it? You can reach out to our landfill engineer LaBella (Joyce Engineering)
- 17. Have any settlement studies been conducted on the potential site? No
- 18. Is there a consultant who helped assemble this RFP? If so, who? Our landfill engineer LaBella helps when requested.
- 19. Will preference be given for joint submissions working with local contractors? No preference, but we would always suggested local contractors be used if available.

For questions 20 - 27:

We do not have that level of detail available. Dominion Energy is accepting proposals for solar facilities on brownfield sites and landfills this spring. We are simply making land available if anyone wants to submit a proposal to Dominion. All of those details can be worked out if the site is chosen as a possible option from Dominion.

- 20. Can the County please provide a kmz or equivalent clearly depicting the land area being made available for solar development in the RFP?
- 21. Can the County provide a copy of the landfill caps' as-built construction plans or descriptions of the cover system's construction?

- 22. Can the County provide copies of the Post-Closure Permits and Plans for the landfill areas being offered in the RFP describing the permit and land use conditions and restrictions?
- 23. In the RFP section Operation and Maintenance Manuals and As-Built Drawings,, the language refers to a possible sale or transfer of the solar system to the County is this considered a realistic possibility, or is this a mistake in the RFP?
- 24. Does the County have any prior studies or reports on the proposed lease area concerning wetlands & waterways, rare, threatened & endangered species, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or others describing the environmental conditions at the site?
- 25. Is there any particular reason why the County would prefer monthly/quarterly lease payments as opposed to annual lease payments that are paid in advance and are more typical for solar projects?
- 26. What is the County's desired timeline for construction and operation of the solar energy system?
- 27. Is the County open to permitting this site with a variance for the 5 mile restriction on co-located solar projects?

Sincerely,

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