Feedback Form

Draft Long-Term RFQ – Posted February 28, 2022

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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from participants on the draft Long-Term Request for Qualifications (LT1 RFQ). The LT 1 RFQ will seek to ensure that interested parties have the capability to undertake project development for the LT1 RFP and will seek to evaluate applicants both on corporate experience and employee experience.

The draft LT1 RFQ can be found on the Long-Term RFP webpage.

Please provide feedback by March 31, 2022 to engagement@ieso.ca.

Please use subject header: *Draft Long-Term 1 RFQ*. To promote transparency, this feedback will be posted on the <u>Long-Term RFP webpage</u> unless otherwise requested by the sender.

The IESO will work to consider and incorporate comments as appropriate and post responses on the webpage.

Thank you for your contribution.



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General Comments/Feedback

The qualification requirements seem achievable with a new build project, however, based on our current interpretation of the draft RFQ language, the redevelopment of existing sites (repower/add storage) will not qualify for the RFP and neither would an expansion project. The definition of New Build must be amended to allow for an Expansion, Upgrade or Redevelopment. Specifically the

definition of Expansion must be clear that generators will be permitted to add a storage facility to existing generation facilities as a distinct stand-alone storage project. Without this change to the qualification criteria, generators will be forced to develop brand new sites, which is counter to IESOs objectives of keeping costs low and maximizing use of existing facilities.

Further, A Long-Term Capacity Project is defined as, "New Build Electricity capacity resources directly connected to a Distribution or Transmission System in Ontario, that are reliable and can provide dispatchable capacity services during the Commitment Period". This definition seems to exclude any non-dispatchable projects (for example stand-alone solar), which may reduce competitiveness and increase cost. Along these lines, we note that the minimum 4-hour duration requirement, which is currently a Mandatory Criteria should be moved to a Rated Criteria to allow broader competition of resources.