Feedback Form

Draft Long-Term RFQ – Version 2 posted April 22, 2022

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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from participants on the proposed revisions captured in version 2 of the draft Long-Term Request for Qualifications (LT1 RFQ). The LT 1 RFQ will seek to ensure that interested parties have sufficient financial capacity and experience to undertake project development for the LT1 RFP.

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

Please provide feedback by May 2, 2022 to engagement@ieso.ca.

Please use subject header: *Draft Long-Term 1 RFQ*. To promote transparency, this feedback will be posted on the Long-Term RFP webpage 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.



Introductory Feedback:

Compass Renewable Energy Consulting Inc. ("Compass") is pleased to present this feedback to the IESO with respect to the LT1 RFQ. The IESO's recent engagement has been very helpful in communicating the urgent need for new capacity in the province. Compass shares the view that many have put forward during the IESO engagement sessions, the development community has not been focused on Ontario in the last 5 to 10 years due to contract cancellations and other market opportunities in Canada and the U.S.

Considering the lack of recent development activity, and the urgent need for new capacity, Compass would encourage the IESO to be more permissive in specific areas of the Small-Scale Entity Development Experience to facilitate more participation at the Qualification stage. Further, facilitating the qualification of small-scale entities will promote a greater diversity of projects in a more varied set of locations throughout the province.

Having a larger, more diverse pool of developers supporting the IESO's effective capacity requirements will also mean a larger pool of Ontarians and First Nations will benefit from the New Build electricity resources as partners with project proponents.

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Topic/ RFQ Section	Feedback
Qualification Submission	
Qualification Submission / Section 2.7 (b)(i)	
Team Member Mandatory Requirements	
Large-Scale Team Member Experience / Section 3.2 (a)	

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Team Member Mandatory Requirements	Could the IESO please clarify if the same
Small-Scale Team Member Experience / Section 3.2 (b)	Project can be used to claim experience across the range of activities?
	Additionally, are there any COD requirements associated with the projects substantiating team member experience as is the case with entity-level development experience? For example, if the proponent is claiming Development Experience associated with a project and the project is being constructed this year, would that project qualify for Development experience?
	Can the IESO confirm that the experience it is looking to confirm from at least 2 Designated Team Members in 1) Planning, 2) Developing, 3) Financing, 4) Constructing, and 5) Operating a Qualifying Small-Scale Project, is not meant to require that each of the 2 Designated Team Members have experience in all five of these activities. For greater clarity, can the IESO confirm that if 1 Designated Team Member had experience in activities one through four and another Designated Team Member had experience in the fifth activity, collectively, this would satisfy the requirements in 3.2 (b)?
Evaluation of Entity Development Experience Threshold	
Large-Scale Entity Development Experience Threshold / Section 3.3 (a)	

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Evaluation of Entity Development Experience Threshold Small-Scale Entity Development Experience Threshold / Section 3.3 (b)	With reference to 3.3(b)(i)(B), Compass recommends the IESO consider all projects that will achieve COD prior to LT I Contract Award instead of the date of Qualification Submission. This will allow smaller entities to demonstrate development experience on advanced projects that are currently being constructed with COD prior to October 1, 2023.
	Given the volume of Qualifying Small-Scale Projects that were terminated in 2018 and the urgent need for new capacity, the IESO should consider lowering the quantity of Electricity Generation or storage Facilities required to meet the Small-scale Entity Development Threshold from five (5) to four (4) to allow for greater participation from small scale Proponents.
Determination of Eligibility Section 3.4	Compass encourages the IESO to permit RFQ Applicants that can demonstrate the Small-Scale Team Member Experience to be able to apply for the Large-Scale LT1 Projects with the increased security amounts alone without the requirement for Small-Scale Entity Development Experience.

General Comments/Feedback