

2023 Rhode Island Request for Proposal for Offshore Wind Energy

Per ACES Statute

Question and Answer Response #4

Multi-State Proposal Questions

1. **Bidder Question:** In Part I of the CPPD form, the document says, “If a bidder is submitting a Multi-State Bid..., a separate CPPD Form must be filled out in full, and must indicate which it is.” Where on the CPPD form should the bidder indicate which is the Single-State Proposal, and which is the Multi-State Proposal? Will the same proposal offered as a Single-State and Multi-State Proposal require separate bid fees?
 - **Rhode Island Energy Response:** The Bidder may indicate whether a specific CPPD Form is associated with a Single-State Proposal or a Multi-State Proposal in the “Project Title(s)” box under “Part II” of the CPPD Form, as well as in the name of the Excel file. For Rhode Island Energy and for Massachusetts, a separate bid fee is required for a Single-State Proposal and a Multi-State Proposal if the Single-State Proposal and Multi-State Proposal differ from each other in physical aspects of the bid or in price, with the exception of severable commitments. Severable commitments are not viewed as distinct proposals. However, per the response to question #30 provided in Connecticut’s Responses to Bidder Questions, if a bidder submits a Multi-State Proposal that is identical to a Single-State Proposal, including the price, no additional bid fees are required for Rhode Island Energy or Massachusetts. Connecticut’s Responses to Bidder Questions referenced above can be found at the following link <https://www.dpuc.state.ct.us/DEEPEnergy.nsf/c6c6d525f7cdd1168525797d0047c5bf/a0d35172ad4ba10f85258a8a007b0724?OpenDocument>.
2. **Bidder Question:** How should a Bidder respond to the Buyer’s Percentage Entitlement prompt in the CPPD Form when submitting a Multi-State Proposal?
 - **Rhode Island Energy Response:** If a Bidder is submitting a Multi-State Proposal, and the Bidder requires 100% of the project capacity of the facility to be contracted, the Bidder should enter 100% for the Buyer’s Percentage Entitlement in all receiving MOU Party’s, or their respective EDC’s, CPPD Forms. Per Appendix H of the RFP, the decision about how the MOU Parties, or their respective EDCs, receiving a Multi-State Bid would apportion a Multi-State Proposal between themselves will be made only by the MOU Parties, or their respective EDCs.

Note: Unless stated otherwise, RFP refers to the “Request for Proposals for Long-Term Contracts for Offshore Wind Energy,” Issuance Date October 13, 2023 (as amended), by the Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy.