DRAFT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) NO.: CQ16042/LP

ADVANCE NOTICE

Date of Draft RFP:

September 23, 2015

Two (2) Site Visits: Project Description:

September 29, 2015 and October 01, 2015

On-Site Solar Power Purchase Agreement - Lease

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) requires the services of a qualified Contractor to Design, Install, Operate, Maintain and Own Solar Photovoltaic (PV) System for a twenty (20) years Power Purchase Agreement or propose a Lease Agreement for the purpose of developing solar energy for the same period at nine (9) Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Sites (the majority of sites are surface parking lots) to achieving commercial operation by December 31, 2016. Draft RFP will include attachments of electrical service and equipment information, annual production reports, that supports an estimate of approximately eight megawatts of solar capacity at the nine sites.

This is a DRAFT Request for Proposal (RFP) issued for public comments ONLY. Based upon the comments received, certain comments may be incorporated into the FINAL RFP documents which is expected to be issued during the month of October 2015. This contract is intended to produce cost savings or revenue to the authority. The period of performance is Twenty (20) Years.

The Contractor shall provide all necessary personnel, labor, materials, tools, equipment, permits, testing, inspection, acceptance and services to: Support development of Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Installments at nine (9) WMATA Sites (To be Determined in the Draft RFP).

Two (2) Site Visits will be held: <u>September 29, 2015</u> and <u>October 01, 2015</u> at <u>8:30 a.m. local time</u>. Offerors are strongly encouraged to attend the Site Visits during the Draft RFP process. NO OTHER SITE VISITS WILL BE CONDUCTED FOR THE FINAL RFP. Interested parties are required to RSVP by email to <u>Ipepper@wmata.com</u> with attendee names, titles, company and date of attendance and meet in the Lobby, at Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. Upon arrival, you will be required to provide the security guard with a driver's license photo identification in order to gain entry into the Authority.

Comments on the Draft RFP document estimated to be released in mid-September, are due on: October 07, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. local time. Late comments will not be accepted.

Further schedule details will be released in the FINAL RFP.

Reserve the week of December 7-11, 2015 for discussions (if required) to clarify final proposals.

The successful Offeror must provide a Certificate of Insurance with Worker's Compensation (Statutory), Employer's Liability, Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability coverage in the specified amounts as stated in the solicitation, with WMATA included as an additional insured.

New Vendor Registration: Please be advised that all contractors who have *NOT* done business with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) must register in the WMATA Vendor Registration System. Registration is located at http://www.wmata.com

If you are a contractor and *HAVE* done business with WMATA in the past, please electronically request your company's User ID and Password at http://www.wmata.com

Small Business Local Preference Program (SBLPP): It is the policy of the Authority to provide maximum practicable competition opportunities in its non-federal simplified acquisitions to Small Local Businesses and to encourage participation of such businesses on all other contract actions.

If you have any questions, please contact Lydia Pepper, Contract Administrator, at (202) 962-2128 or lpepper@wmata.com.

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