

Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff (DAC-GT) AND Community Solar Green Tariff (CSGT) RFO No. 23-009 Questions & Answers

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San Diego Community Power (SDCP) received the following questions by the deadline stipulated in the RFO.

Question 1: Would a location in Tecate, CA 91987 be eligible?

Answer: No. Tecate, California is not an eligible project site location as it is considered to be in the 63rd CalEnviroScreen 4.0 percentile. Please refer to the CalEnviroScreen 4.0 webpage to check if a potential site location is within an eligible Disadvantaged Community (DAC).

Question 2: Please clarify the program/procurement size for each category. Please clarify the deliverable for the February 24, 2024, due date for permits. It seems like we have to list which permits are required for construction and operation and supply a "status of each". Since it asks for status, we interpret that as we don't have to have issued permits by the bid deadline, but they should be underway. Is that correct?

Answer: Yes. SDCP does not require nor expect fully completed permits in hand at the time of submitting your bid. However, please clearly convey your understanding of the permits required, along with the process and timeline to acquire them. If there are any assumed costs (e.g., mitigation measures) or risks, please note them in your offer.

Question 3: Please clarify the program/procurement size for each category. Please clarify the deliverable for the February 24, 2024, due date for interconnection. The RFO asks for the most recent Interconnection Status and requests we submit the latest interconnection document, which can be one of the following: (1) fast track review report (2) completed system impact study or facilities study (3) Completed Phase 1 Interconnection Study (4) Completed Phase 2 Interconnection Study or (5) Signed Generator Interconnection Agreement. So, while we don't think we need to have it fully completed, it has to be underway. Is that correct?

Answer: Yes. SDCP does not require a fully completed or finalized interconnection study at the time of submitting your bid. However, please clearly convey your understanding of the process and timeline. If there are any assumed costs (eg upgrade costs) or risks, please note them in your offer.

Question 4: Please clarify the supporting documentation required for site control and confirm that site control needs to be in place at the time of the bid.

Answer: SDCP requires evidence of site control viability, whether that be a lease option or some less formal document with the property owner acknowledging the project intent.

Question 5: For the fixed pricing response, are escalators allowed (i.e., 1%, 2%/yr., etc.) or are you looking for the price at 0%?

Answer: We are not requesting price escalators for this solicitation, so a single, fixed price at 0% is appropriate.

Question 6: Can you discuss what info is available for maximum bid price, and whether storage is allowed or required?

Answer: All available information on cost containment is provided in the RFO. However, there is a maximum price cap that is dictated by the CPUC and is confidential. SDCP is not permitted to share its value. Energy Storage paired systems with solar PV systems are not eligible for this RFO. Please refer to the RFO Instructions for eligibility criteria.

Question 7: Would SDCP would consider any carport projects? The submission instructions state: "The pricing must be at or below the statewide CCA cost cap as provided by the CPUC's Energy Division Staff." – What does that mean? Could you direct me to where I can find that value?

Answer: Yes, carport projects are eligible. All available information on cost containment is provided in the RFO. However, there is a maximum price cap that is dictated by the CPUC and is confidential. SDCP is not permitted to share its value.