

Q & A

Pre-Bid Conference: 1st Green Energy Auction Program in the Philippines

Date: 01 June 2022

9:00am-12NN via Zoom

GENERAL QUESTIONS		
NAME and AFFILIATION	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSES
Pay Wong, Trustpower	For Solar, the offered capacity is based on MWDC or AC?	AC capacity
Deiter Hoff P Arellano, Green Acres Renewable Energy Corporation	DC Section 9.2 Issuance of GEAR price, Question: When can we start accessing the platform?	We'll issue unique ID to access the platform
Wyeth Sy, HBI	Will the log in credentials only be sent to the authorized rep as stated on the Reg Form? Or can we nominate a different email address per RE facility to input the bids in the platform?	a separate email per each RE facility is required (1:1)
Xavier Libardo, CSCI	There are projects that were disqualified. Under the Rules, we are supposed to get an explanation on the reason for disqualification. If we are able to prove that the ground for disqualification is wrong, can the projects still be allowed to participate?	A letter will be issued stating grounds for disqualification.
Marivic Olivar - PWEI	What will happen if a qualified supplier does not submit a bid?	No penalty. You may join the next GEA round.
SSPC - Renz Ayongao	In relation to CSCI's question on disqualification, if the ground is wrong, are you saying the disqualified project can still submit on June 16?	A letter will be issued.
Hydrocore - Recto Serrano	3rd Advisory : is there a deadline in submitting the one (1) unique e-mail address per project to email address (gea1.2022@doe.gov.ph)	asap, a week before 17th of June 2022 provide DOE the email address
David Aboitiz - PVSPI	For the partial capacity sold outside of GEAP, please confirm that a separate meter is required. If that is the case, that means a separate COC, and therefore a different power plant	Yes, correct.
Pay Wong, Trustpower	Follow up question on Lumino Biomass' query - what if the project is in phases/facilities under one contract, can it be allowed to offer per phase/facility?	per phase only
Henry Liqueste, Solarace 1	Per the IT Presentation, the Bidders cannot change the Capacity as reflected in the Registration Form. Now that DOE is allowing offer of partial capacity, how can the bidders amend the capacity as reflected in the Registration form?	Offer lower but not more than the registered capacity. additional will be treated as separate revenue meter
Hydrocore - Recto Serrano	Section 5.4.2. The Qualified Bidder shall email at gea1.2022@doe.gov.ph the names of its two (2) representatives who shall be provided log-in accounts for purpose of observing the proceeding. - when is the deadline and how will the back-up account be given?	Provide the names ASAP, before June 17, 2022
SOLARACE1 Henry Liqueste	Per the IT presentation earlier, the offered capacity for solar projects will be in MWp or in DC. The response to the earlier question indicates this should be in MW AC capacity. May we suggest we stick to the MW DC for solar projects as the AC capacity will be highly dependent on the inverter specifications yet to be installed in the projects?	it should be the Pmax, and in AC capacity
SCSPI, Rienzi Zano	If solar offer capacity will be in AC, does it mean the GEAP limit is also in AC?	yes. during the testing and commissioning, you need to ensure the design should meet the target registered capacity
TeaM Phils. Renewable Energy	Can the winning bidder be allowed to transfer its contract to another entity (i.e. change of owner) using the same RE facility before COD or anytime within the contract period?	Yes, assignment is allowed under the RE Contract.
SSPC - Renz Ayongao	May we still submit additional questions after this pre-bid?	you may still submit questions until 12 MN today.
SCSPI, Rienzi Zano	To confirm, the 900MW solar limit for Luzon means 900MWac, and AC applies to Visayas and Mindanao limit also?	Yes, we are confirming
NPC - Rene Barruela	How about the capacity of the existing transmission lines to accommodate the bid capacity?	to be discussed in the Committee

SOLARACE1 Henry Lique	<p>We suggest to refine and include additional conditions in the definition of Force Majeure to events that should affect the ability of the Qualified Bidder to perform its obligation to deliver the capacities on Delivery Commencement Date.</p> <p>Suggested definition:</p> <p>10.1 'Force Majeure' or "Fortuitous Event" (FM or FE) refers to an extraordinary event, which the Winning Bidder is unable to prevent or overcome, and which would result to the inability of the Winning Bidder to deliver the capacities on Delivery Commencement Date, not foreseeable or avoidable, or to an event that could not be foreseen, or which, though foreseen, is inevitable to happen on the part of the Winning Bidder, and is beyond the control, participation, and influence of the Winning Bidder, is without the fault or negligence of the Winning Bidder.</p>	this will be reviewed and be included in the Bid Bulletin
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	4. There appears to be a typographical error in Section 7.3.2.2 of the TOR. We believe that the word "Facility" found on the last line of the first paragraph thereof should instead be "Technology".	thank you. It will be duly corrected.
	Is the 900MW Target Capacity for Solar in Luzon in AC?	Yes
	<p>In Annex D5: Affidavit of Undertaking (To Deliver the Offered Capacity on Committed Date)</p> <p>1. We need to input the Committed Date. What will happen if we're unable to deliver the full capacity on the committed date? What if we only deliver a portion of the offered capacity on the committed date? What if we finished the project before our committed date, can we start commencement earlier than our committed date?</p>	will be addressed in the Bid Bulletin.
	<p>In the offer to be submitted, may we clarify if the offer to be submitted is in AC or DC?</p> <p>If this is in AC and through no fault of Winning Bidder, the AC capacity upon testing is higher than the offered capacity, may we suggest that a threshold of +10% be applied, and such resulting increased capacity be incorporated under the GEAP.</p>	Capacity Offer for solar is in AC.
	If after testing, the AC capacity is lower than the offered capacity, as confirmed by the GEA-BEAC, the Performance Bond will be drawn in part.	Yes, if the reduction is more than 10% of the Capacity offer.
	<p>Original:</p> <p>6.1 If the Electronic Bidding Platform is not available at the date and time set for the Auction Proper.</p> <p>6.1.1. The GEA BEAC will re-schedule the online auction which new schedule will be announced within two (2) working date after the original auction schedule.</p> <p>Comment:</p> <p>May we clarify what happens in case the electronic bidding platform becomes unavailable or crashes in the middle of the time allotted for submission from 9-11am (ex: 10am), what would happen to the bids/offers that were submitted before the electronic platform crashed or becomes unavailable.</p>	your will be notified of the new schedule/venue/platform.

	<p>Original: Marginal Offer: In case the quantity offered by a bidder becomes the marginal offer, but the offered quantity breaches the Auction Capacity Requirement after ranking and stacking of offers, the bidder's full offered quantity will be included as a winning bid, provided that, the excess quantity offered by the bidder shall not be more than 20% of the Auction Capacity Requirement of the RE Facility per Grid</p> <p>Comment: 1. May we clarify how the provision will be operationalized in case a portion of the capacity of the winning bidder is not included (ex: it is more than 20% of the Auction Capacity Requirement). Will this result to a financial transaction/reconciliation with NGCP/TransCo/IEMOP to pro-rate the delivered capacities based on the difference between the Pmax of the RE facility and the partial capacity won by the marginal bidder ?</p> <p>2. To confirm, a Winning marginal bidder may offer the capacity under the GEAP and also offer the excess capacity subject of the marginal threshold to other off-takers such as Distribution Utilities, contestable customers, and the WESM.</p> <p>Considering that the DOE is not inclined to adopt the indivisibility rule under the FIT, may we request and suggest that the needed adjustments, amendments, or revisions to the rules, REPA, and operational procedures/protocols of the NGCP, IEMOP, TransCo be made to ensure that the plant will be able to offer capacities under</p>	<p>Reduction of capacity as an option refers to both capacity of the plant and the Capacity Offer. One revenue meter per plant rule will apply. This will be further clarified in the Bid Bulletin.</p>
	<p>Effects of Force Majeure or Fortuitous Events after the issuance of a Certificate of Award</p> <p>We suggest to refine and include additional conditions in the definition of Force Majeure to events that should affect the ability of the Qualified Bidder to perform its obligation to deliver the capacities on Delivery Commencement Date.</p> <p>Suggested definition:</p> <p>10.1 'Force Majeure' or "Fortuitous Event" (FM or FE) refers to an extraordinary event, which the Winning Bidder is unable to prevent or overcome, and which would result to the inability of the Winning Bidder to deliver the capacities on Delivery Commencement Date, not foreseeable or avoidable, or to an event that could not be foreseen, or which, though foreseen, is inevitable to happen on the part of the Winning Bidder, and is beyond the control, participation, and influence of the Winning Bidder, is without the fault or negligence of the Winning Bidder.</p>	<p>Will be refiled in the Bid Bulletin if considered.</p>