TID RFP 2021: Answers to Written Questions

- If a respondent plans on offering multiple terms, should they submit a single proposal with multiple terms, or separate proposals for each term?
  - TID would prefer a single proposal for each project. Respondents proposing multiple variations of the same project (i.e. pricing structure, term, include/exclude electric storage system, etc.) should submit one proposal (Cover Letter, Narrative and Workbook). However, variations should be clearly identified in the Narrative and Workbook, so that TID can easily evaluate each variation of the proposal.

- The RFP instructions indicate offers must be valid until 12/31/2021. What is the expected timeline for TID to provide a short list of offers and execute a contract from selected offers?
  - Although it is hard to estimate a timeline without knowing how many bids we are going to receive (affecting how long it will take to evaluate all bids), TID anticipates selecting short listed projects sometime in May or June of 2021. Assuming desirable bids are received and are approved by our management and TID Board, contract negotiations and execution will follow. However, TID reserves the right to modify the timeline, and is not required to make any awards in this RFP.

- What if an existing resource has not been generating since 2018? How much data must be provided in the “Generation Profile (Existing)” tab of the TID_RFP2021 workbook?
  - If an existing project does not have at least three years (2018-2020) of historical hourly energy production data, respondents should fill out the “Generation Profile (Existing)” tab of the TID_RFP2021 Workbook with as much historical hourly energy production data as is available. In addition, respondents should fill out the “Generation Profile (Existing)” tab of the TID_RFP2021 Workbook with a forecast of hourly energy production for a typical year. In the Narrative, respondents should describe the basis of the forecast (e.g. solar TMY or wind met tower data), as well as provide separate years if there are year-over-year changes.

- If the resource is connecting within TIDs balancing authority, does the respondent need to fill out the “LMP Pricing” tab of the TID_RFP2021 workbook? If so, what LMP should be used?
  - No, if the resource is connecting within or delivering directly to TIDs balancing authority, the “LMP Pricing” tab of the TID_RFP2021 Workbook does not need to be completed.

- Will proposals be considered that include a merchant transmission line to connect the generation asset directly to the TID balancing authority, rather than using existing lines and existing interconnection queues?
  - Yes, however, per section 6. Delivery Point (pg. 6), “Seller shall be financially and operationally responsible to deliver the product to the agreed upon point of delivery, including any required transmission…”

- Is there any financial advantage (e.g. a PPA adder and/or asset purchase price adder) if the generation resource is connected to a delivery point and/or CAISO LMP node within – or adjacent to – the TID service territory?
  - TID will evaluate each proposal based on the pricing provided by the respondent, as well as the resources value to TID which among other things reflects the proposed delivery point (i.e. LMP, Resource Adequacy, etc.).
• Can a PPA proposal be submitted with an Index price, which is indexed to NP-15 or any other liquid trading hub?
  o No, per section 5. Pricing Structure (pg. 5), “The index price should represent the price at the point of delivery.”

• What is the definition of “Useable power capacity”?
  o Useable power capacity is the amount of power the battery can charge/discharge, taking into account any limit which might reduce power (i.e. depth of discharge, charge/discharge rate restrictions, losses, efficiency, degradation, etc.)

• If the generator is a resource outside of TIDs balancing authority, and the respondent elects to include an electric storage system, can the PPA proposal include a Resource Adequacy payment for the electric storage system, with the respondent being responsible for dispatching the electric storage system and keeping the associated market revenue (i.e. energy arbitrage, ancillary services, etc.)?
  o No, per section 5. Pricing Structure (pg. 6), “Pricing shall be for delivered energy only, no capacity or fixed prices or minimum take-or-pay amounts will be accepted.” In addition, per section 8. Electric Storage System (pg. 7), “PPA proposals must specify the price of the electric storage system in $/MWh... Must provide full control and dispatch of the electric storage system to TID... All revenues from market activities (i.e. energy price arbitrage, ancillary services) and any other benefits (except income tax related benefits and rights) shall belong to TID.”