

Clean Power Alliance - 2020 DAC-GT and CS-GT Request for Offers (RFO)

Questions and Answers

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Siting

- 1. Are state agencies eligible to be a host site?*

Yes, state agencies are eligible to serve as a host site provided that the agency's site meets the locational requirements for a DAC-GT or CS-GT project. See the RFO Protocol Section 2.b for full project eligibility requirements, including siting requirements.
- 2. Is an ArcGIS map of CPA territory available?*

Please refer to Clean Power Alliance's Clean Energy RFO Evaluation Tool at <https://cleanpower.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7a87449c48884a33bb7cfee2bf7b1c52> for a map of CPA service territory. More information is available in the RFO Protocol Exhibit A.
- 3. DACs are identified as being in the top 25 percent of CalEnviroScreen scored census tracts. If a census tract is listed as "70-75%" in CalEnviroScreen 3.0, would a project sited in one of these tracts be eligible?*

Disadvantaged Communities are defined as the top 25% scoring areas from [CalEnviroScreen](#). A census tract with a CalEnviroScreen score in the 70-75% range does not qualify as a DAC.

Energy Storage

- 4. Can energy storage be included with solar in a submission so long as it meets RPS eligibility requirements?*

Energy storage cannot be included in a submission. The project must be compliant with the technology eligibility requirements listed in RFO Protocol Section 2.b.
- 5. Can solar be combined with battery storage? If so, are there any requirements?*

See response to question 4.

Interconnection

- 6. Regarding the DAC-GT eligibility requirement of having completed a Phase I Interconnection Study, what specific study is required to be completed? Considering the FASTRACK process of SCE, would a completed Initial Review study be considered compliant for this requirement? If so, does passing or failing this study affect meeting this requirement?*

For the purpose of determining eligibility for the DAC-GT RFO, a completed Initial Review study is considered equivalent to a Phase I Interconnection Study. Completing the Initial Review study satisfies the interconnection project eligibility requirement for DAC-GT.
- 7. Do CS-GT projects require a completed Phase I Interconnection Study?*

No, a Phase I Interconnection Study is not a requirement. However, CS-GT projects are required to be connected electrically to a circuit, load, or substation within SCE's service territory, as described in RFO Protocol Section 2.b.

8. *I noticed that there isn't sufficient circuit capacity at my potential site location. Would we have to petition to re-evaluate the 15% limit and/or make upgrades to the distribution system at this location for solar PV systems?*

The bidder is responsible for securing interconnection for the project. Please see Section 2.b. of the RFO Protocol. Questions related to interconnection capacity should be directed to the distribution provider, Southern California Edison.

Security

9. *When is the Seller Security Requirements due date?*

The Seller Development Security is owed to Buyer within thirty (30) days after the Effective Date of the PPA. Please refer to the Proforma PPA for all requirements related to Development and Performance Security.

Submission Requirements

10. *Regarding the requirement of providing "One hundred sixty percent (160%) of proposed estimated annual energy production in each 2-year performance measurement period.", can you further explain what kind of assumptions were used to reach 160% of annual energy production guarantee and how a guarantee of energy production of 160% over two-year measurements is expected to be provided?*

The bidder is expected to provide an annual expected energy amount as part of the submission specifications and any resulting PPA. The 160% production guarantee is based on the annual expected energy amounts provided by the bidder and is a reasonable expectation of performance from the resource over a given two-year period. Please see section 4.7. in the PPA Pro Forma for more detail.

11. *Regarding pricing requirements, can you please confirm the price for selling electricity can only be offered at our project's physical POI and not anywhere else in the grid or at another project's POI?*

Submissions must provide a fixed \$/MWh price offered at the project Pnode. Please see section 3.c. in the RFO Protocol