

PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Proposals

All-Requirements Power Supply

The City of Berea, Kentucky (“City”) is seeking proposals from electric power suppliers (“Suppliers”) for the total power requirements of its system. In planning for future power supply arrangements, the City desires to examine indicative bids from potential Suppliers and to begin establishing a basis for future negotiations. As the planning process for power supply proceeds, the City anticipates future power supply negotiations will be entered into based on respondents to this RFP.

GENERAL

The city owns, operates, and maintains a combined utility system that provides electric, water, and wastewater services. The electric system provides power supply and energy delivery to approximately 5,300 customers within its service area including 4,627 residential, 583 commercial, and 58 industrial customers. At present, the City purchases its electric capacity and energy requirements from American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) and Kentucky Municipal Energy Agency (KYMEA) through agreements and contracts which expire April 20, 2024. The City purchases electric energy and planning reserves from AMP which has contracted with a third-party source for the City’s full requirements energy. The City is also currently a municipal member and has existing contracts and agreements in place with KYMEA which provides transmission service an additional 10MW of planning reserve capacity during the months of January, February, and March.

For the 12 months ending December 2022, the City’s annual purchased power requirements were approximately 130,000 megawatt hours with a peak demand of approximately 34.7 megawatts.

THE PROPOSAL

The City desires proposals for total capacity and energy requirements including firm transmission service and ancillary services. Under this arrangement, the Supplier will provide the City’s total firm power supply on an all-requirements or native firm load basis.

The City prefers proposals from Suppliers with asset-backed generation portfolios.

The Supplier will schedule and deliver power into the LG&E/KU control area for delivery to the City's delivery points under the LG&E/KU OATT.

For the purposes of this proposal, the initial contract term will begin May 1, 2024, and continue for at least seven years with a five-year termination notice. The City may consider alternative terms if proposed by Supplier.

Suppliers must submit bids on or before August 7, 2023, to the contact indicated below.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Interested Suppliers may obtain a complete Request for Proposals and additional information including points of delivery, vicinity map, historical and forecasted load, and transmission service and delivery requirements by contacting:

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