

## **Philadelphia Renewable Energy Procurement RFP Written Questions and Answers**

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### **1. Are you open to an aggregation of residential solar projects?**

A: Possibly, but the project would need to meet the terms and conditions outlined in Attachment A - Form of PPA Contract and include the following:

- Long-term power at a competitive price and scale (140,000-280,000 MWh annually).
- Located in PJM, as close to Philadelphia as reasonably possible, as described in the RFP.
- One counterparty (seller) who is credit worthy or posts sufficient credit as determined by PEA.
- Aggregated energy delivered to the City's subaccount by one counterparty (as opposed to energy from multiple counterparties).

### **2. Can you speak to your preference between an existing/operating project, repowered project, or new build project?**

A: The Procurement Team values additionality and is looking to support a project(s) that needs a PPA of this scale in order to be built. Due to our commercial operation date (COD) requirements, we may also be interested in a project(s) that is in the process of being built, repowered, and/or an existing/operating project(s).

### **3. Are projects in all of PJM eligible or only in Pennsylvania?**

A: There is a preference for project(s) located in Pennsylvania, as close to Philadelphia as possible, but we will consider projects in other areas of PJM territory. The Procurement Team intends to acquire the RECs associated with the output and requires that they can be applied to the City's Pennsylvania Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard (AEPS) electricity purchasing requirements. If RECs must be swapped, any RECs purchased in the swap must be Green-e® certifiable and tracked in the North American Renewables Registry.

4. **Can you please clarify the Energy Settlement Point, as mentioned on Page 4 of the RFP in the "RFP Summary"? Does a Project PNode have to be in PECO zone or could it be a PNode within PA (PJM)? Can a project be located outside of Pennsylvania and still participate in the RFP?**

A: [Attachment A - Project Contract](#) states that “**Settlement Point** means for Delivered Energy, the PECO Transmission Zone, as that term is defined by PJM. In PJM's Locational Marginal Price bus model, the current Price Node ID for the PECO Transmission Zone is 51297, as it may be revised by PJM from time to time.” The Project Pricing Node (PNode) must be within PJM territory but is not restricted to the PECO Transmission Zone or Pennsylvania.

5. **Can you further define and/or clarify what you mean as an "undeveloped" project? (in Section 2.1, paragraph 4).**

A: Undeveloped means a project for which main construction contracts have not been executed. As it relates to Section 2.1, paragraph 4, construction activities for undeveloped projects must be included in and would fall under the purview of the Economic Opportunity Plan.