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PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD
PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU**

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IN RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER
AUTHORITY INTEGRATED RESOURCE
PLAN AND MODIFIED ACTION PLAN

CASE NO.: NEPR-MI-2020-0012

SUBJECT: Issuance of Renewables RFP
Tranche 1

MOTION INFORMING ISSUANCE OF RENEWABLES RFP TRANCHE 1

TO THE HONORABLE PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU:

COMES NOW the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (“PREPA”) through the undersigned legal representation and respectfully submits and requests as follows:

1. On January 26, 2021 the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau for the Public Service Regulatory Board (“Energy Bureau”) entered Resolution and Order (“Order”) regarding the *“Issuance of RFP and Timeline for Filing of Responses to Questions Received from Stakeholders”*.
2. The Order was the result of PREPA’s development of a competitive solicitation process for the procurement of renewable and battery storage resources pursuant to the tranche schedule established in the IRP Final Resolution and Order entered into on August 24, 2020 and implemented through the Modified Action Plan adopted by the Energy Bureau.
3. Among other rulings, the Energy Bureau ordered PREPA to “issue the RFP for Tranche 1, for 1,000 MW of solar PV (or energy-equivalent renewable resource) and 500 MW (2,000 MWh or equivalent) of battery energy storage, as soon as possible...[containing] the modifications that the Energy Bureau approved as part of the January 5 Resolution.”

4. On January 27, 2021, the Financial Oversight & Management Board for Puerto Rico (“Oversight Board”) sent letter to PREPA related to the Renewable Resources and Battery Energy Storage Resource Procurement Plan (“Procurement Plan”) as well as the draft RFP for Tranche 1 requesting PREPA to incorporate suggested comments and recommendations into the Procurement Plan and RFP, as well as in the future contract documents “with the intent [of addressing] factors that might negatively affect the approval and execution of the final contract award.”
5. As a result, on January 29, 2021 PREPA submitted with the Energy Bureau “*Motion Submitting Letter From the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico Regarding Procurement Plan and Renewables RFP Recommendations*” informing the Energy Bureau that PREPA would incorporate the comments and recommendations of the Oversight Board.
6. In response, the Energy Bureau entered order on February 3, 2021 reaffirming the January 26, 2021 order and stating that incorporating the Oversight Board’s recommendations “should not delay the issuance of the RFP more than a few days.”
7. PREPA has finalized the process for publication of the Renewables RFP 1st Tranche, including the integration of the Oversight Board recommendations.
8. Accordingly, and in compliance with order, PREPA hereby informs the Energy Bureau that today, February 22, 2021, PREPA published the same through its website and the Power Advocate platform.
9. The RFP can be accessed through the following link:
<https://aeepr.com/es-pr/Paginas/Suplidores/DetalleSubasta.aspx?id=2553>
10. Also, in compliance with section 4.4 of Regulation 8815, PREPA published notice of the RFP in El Nuevo Día newspaper, see Exhibit 1.

WHEREFORE, PREPA hereby INFORMS the Energy Bureau that it has published the Renewables RFP Tranche 1.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 22nd day of February 2021.

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Exhibit 1 to Motion

February 22, 2021 Publication of Renewables RFP 112648 in El Nuevo Día Newspaper

Public Notice

Request for Proposal (RFP) for Renewable Energy Generation and Energy Storage Resources

The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) has released an RFP (RFP 112648) on February 22, 2021. For Renewable Energy Generation and Energy Storage Resources. Through the RFP, PREPA seeks to procure 1,500 MW of renewable energy resource capacity and 500 MW (2,500 MWh) of energy storage resource capacity (with effective duration of 4 hours), including 150 MW of capacity to be provided by virtual power plants (VPPs) made up of distributed generation, storage and demand response resources. The RFP represents the first of six RFP tranches soliciting proposals for a cumulative total of 3,750 MW of renewable energy resources and 1,500 MW of energy storage resources during a three-year period in accordance with the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) approved by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau on August 24, 2020, and certain additional orders issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

This notice provides background information for the first of the intended RFPs, as well as the expected Scope of Services. Also included with this notice is a summary of estimated key dates to enable appropriate planning by the interested proponents. The purpose of this notice is to provide early public awareness of this RFP in an effort to support broad and fair competition for this procurement.

EXPECTED SCOPE OF SERVICES:

RFP 112648 will solicit proposals for (i) the design, construction, installation, start-up, operation and maintenance of renewable energy resources, energy storage resources and VPPs, installed at sites across the island of Puerto Rico, and (ii) the sale and purchase of energy or capacity, made available by such resources, during a supply period of up to 25 years (depending on the resource). All resources procured through the RFP must comply with the applicable minimum technical requirements (MTRs), as adjusted for site-level MTRs as the grid evolves.

ESTIMATED KEY ACTION DATES:

The following are the expected key dates for the initial phase of the RFP:

- RFP Released to Public: February 22, 2021
- Kick-Off Presentation: March 3, 2021
- Proposal Submission Deadline: March 3, 2021
- Commencement of Phase I Evaluation: May 3, 2021

Each proponent interested in submitting a proposal in response to the RFP must register in PowerAdvocate®, the web-based sourcing platform used by PREPA to manage this RFP. To register in PowerAdvocate®, please refer to www.poweradvocate.com. Once registered, a proponent must request access to the RFP event 112648. Access to the Kick-Off presentation will be made available to registered proponents through event 112648 of the PowerAdvocate® platform.

For technical assistance with the sourcing platform application, please contact PowerAdvocate®'s technical support at 857-455-5800, or by email at support@poweradvocate.com. A link to the RFP event can also be found on PREPA's website (<https://www.prepa.gov/Paginas/Suplentes/Opportunidades-para-Subastas.aspx>), and on the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau's website at <http://energia.pr.gov/>.



Puerto Rico Electric
Power Authority

Aviso Público

Solicitud de Propuesta (RFP, por sus siglas en inglés) para Recursos de Generación de Energía Renovable y Almacenamiento de Energía

La Autoridad de Energía Eléctrica de Puerto Rico (Autoridad) publicó un RFP (RFP 112648) el 22 de febrero de 2021, para Recursos de Generación de Energía Renovable y Almacenamiento de Energía. Mediante este RFP, la Autoridad busca obtener 1,500 MW de capacidad en recursos de energía renovable y 500 MW (2,500 MWh) de capacidad en recursos de almacenamiento de energía (con una duración efectiva de 4 horas), incluyendo 150 MW de capacidad a ser provista por plantas virtuales (virtual power plants o VPPs) compuestas de recursos de generación distribuida, almacenamiento de energía y respuesta en demanda. El RFP representa el primero de seis RFPs solicitando propuestas para un total agregado de 3,750 MW de recursos de energía renovable y 1,500 MW de recursos de almacenamiento de energía durante un periodo de tres años de acuerdo con el Plan Integrado de Recursos (PIR) aprobado por el Negociado de Energía de Puerto Rico el 24 de agosto de 2020, y ordenes adicionales emitidas por el Negociado de Energía de Puerto Rico.

Este aviso provee información de trasfondo para el primero de estos RFPs, al igual que el Alcance de Servicios esperado. Este aviso incluye un resumen de fechas claves estimadas que permitan una planificación adecuada a los proponentes interesados. El propósito de este aviso es proveer un conocimiento público del RFP en un esfuerzo para fomentar una participación amplia y justa en este proceso.

ALCANCE DE SERVICIOS ESPERADO

El RFP 112648 solicitará propuestas para (i) el diseño, construcción, instalación, puesta en marcha, operación y mantenimiento de recursos de energía renovable, almacenamiento de energía y VPPs, ubicados a través de la isla de Puerto Rico y (ii) la venta de energía o capacidad, provista por estos recursos, durante un periodo de 25 años (dependiendo del recurso).

Todos los recursos solicitados mediante el RFP deberán cumplir con los requisitos técnicos mínimos (MTRs) aplicables, según sean ajustados dependiendo de su ubicación a medida que evolucione la red eléctrica.

FECHAS CLAVES ESTIMADAS:

Las siguientes son fechas claves estimadas para la fase inicial del RFP:

- Publicación del RFP: 22 de febrero de 2021
- Presentación Inicial Kick-Off: 3 de marzo de 2021
- Fecha Límite para Someter Propuestas: 3 de mayo de 2021
- Comienzo de Evaluación de Fase I: 3 de mayo de 2021

Cada proponente interesado en presentar una propuesta en respuesta al RFP debe registrarse en PowerAdvocate®, la plataforma utilizada por la Autoridad para manejar este RFP. Para registrarse en PowerAdvocate®, favor de referirse a www.poweradvocate.com. Una vez registrado, el proponente debe solicitar acceso al evento de RFP 112648. Acceso a la presentación inicial será provisto a proponentes registrados en el evento, a través de la plataforma PowerAdvocate®.

Para asistencia técnica con la aplicación, favor de comunicarse con el apoyo técnico de PowerAdvocate® llamando al 857-455-5800, o por correo electrónico a support@poweradvocate.com. Un enlace al evento de RFP también se encuentra en la página de internet de la Autoridad (<https://www.prepa.gov/Paginas/Suplentes/Opportunidades-para-Subastas.aspx>), y en la página de internet del Negociado de Energía (<http://energia.pr.gov/>).



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