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**GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO  
PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD  
PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU**

**IN RE:** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RFP PROCESS FOR THE NEW BLACK-START SYSTEMS AT COSTA SUR AND YABUCOA

**CASE NO.:** NEPR-MI-2022-0005

**SUBJECT:** Motion to Inform Publication of RFP for the New Black Start Systems at Costa Sur and Yabucoa

**MOTION TO INFORM PUBLICATION OF RFP FOR THE NEW BLACK START SYSTEMS AT COSTA SUR AND YABUCOA**

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 November 10, 2022, PREPA sought approval from the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board (“Energy Bureau”) for the launching of a Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for black start generation units at Yabucoa and Costa Sur (“Blackstart Projects”). As part of the submittal, PREPA included a draft RFP for the black start units, separate technical specifications for an EPC (“Engineering, Procurement, and Construction”) contract, and draft contract forms for each of the Yabucoa and Costa Sur location (“November 10 Letter”).
2. The Blackstart Projects are the result of part of the Final IRP Order<sup>1</sup>, where the Energy Bureau approved the procurement of 81MW of generators to provide peaking services. The relevant part of the order provides:

Unless otherwise approved by the Energy Bureau and consistent with the Optimization Proceeding discussed below, PREPA shall replace no more

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<sup>1</sup> *Final Resolution and Order on the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Integrated Resource Plan* (“IRP Final Order”) entered in case no. CEPR-AP-2018-0001, *In Re: Review of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Integrated Resource Plan*.

than 147 MW of gas turbine capacity with fossil-fuel generators providing peaker services if, after a competitive bidding process open to all single or aggregated sources of demand and supply-side options, these services can be procured competitively at lower cost than other options. (147 MW is the sum of the capacity of the seven Frame 5 units identified as in need of a major overhaul or major generator repair in PREPA's response to the Energy Bureau's ROI 9- 2, Attachment 1.) When determining the total required capacity of new peaking generation to replace the retired Frame 5 units, PREPA shall include in its analysis the peaking capacity provided by the Mega Gen mobile units totaling 66 MW installed at Palo Seco. This leaves up to 81 MW of new capacity to procure. In order to provide geographic distribution for peaking resources and increase resilience to forced outages, PREPA shall consider placing peaking resources at locations with zero or only one remaining peaking generator after Frame 5 retirements: Costa Sur, Aguirre, and Yabucoa. Final IRP Order at p. 275, ¶ 885.

3. On December 5, 2022, the Energy Bureau entered Resolution and Order (“December 5 Resolution”) approving the BlackStart Projects RFP subject to the implementation and modification of certain matters as further stated in the December 5 Resolution.

4. Thereafter, on December 10, 2022, PREPA filed “Motion Requesting Order Related to the RFP Process for the New Blackstart Systems at Costa Sur and Yabucoa” (“December 10 Motion”). Through the December 10 Motion PREPA requested that the Energy Bureau allow PREPA to seek proposals with a capacity range from 36 to 60 MW to procure better market competition and prices with the understanding that, barring an order from the Energy Bureau to the contrary, the dispatch capacity of these units would be limited to 81MW.

5. In response to the December 10 Motion, on December 19, 2022, the Energy Bureau entered Resolution and Order (“December 19 Order”) clarifying that PREPA could not establish a minimum unit size of 36MW and that the solicitation of units for the BlackStart Projects RFP could not be constrained to a minimum capacity. PREPA proceeded to clarify this matter in the RFP and incorporated the modifications ordered by the Energy Bureau.

6. Accordingly, PREPA hereby informs the Energy Bureau that today, December 23, 2022 PREPA published the BlackStart Projects RFP through its website and the Power Advocate

platform.

7. The RFP can be accessed through the following link:

<http://aeepr.com/es-pr/Paginas/Suplidores/Oportunidades-para-Subastas.aspx>

8. Also, in compliance with section 4.4 of Regulation 8815, PREPA published notice of the RFP for the BlackStart Projects in El Nuevo Día newspaper, see Exhibit 1.

WHEREFORE, PREPA hereby INFORMS the Energy Bureau that it has published the RFP for the BlackStart Projects.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 23rd day of December 2022.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that, on this same date, I have filed the above motion with the Office of the Clerk of the Energy Bureau using its Electronic Filing System at <https://radicacion.energia.pr.gov/login>.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 23rd day of December 2022.

*s/ Maraliz Vázquez Marrero*  
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Exhibit 1 to Motion

December 23, 2022 Publication of RFP 3784 in El Nuevo Día Newspaper

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Si interesa obtener su expediente favor llamar al **787-479-1605** antes de esa fecha para coordinarlo.

45 EL NUEVO DÍA Viernes, 23 de diciembre de 2022



**PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

**FOR THE NEW BLACK START UNITS FOR THE YABUCOA AND COSTA SUR POWER STATIONS**

The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) has released an RFP (RFP# 3784, Power Advocate Event 138790) on December 23, 2022, for the Engineering, Design, Manufacturing and Construction of New Black-Start Units for the Power Stations Yabucoa and Costa Sur. Through this RFP, the Authority seeks to obtain proposals for the engineering, manufacturing, processing and obtaining of permits and construction for the installation of up to 60 MW of power at the Costa Sur Gas Plant and up to 60 MW of power at the Yabucoa Gas Plant described. There will be two (2) units per station, both will have the same production capacity. The RFP represents the purchase and installation of a maximum of 81 MW of power to be dispatched, in compliance with the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) approved by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau on August 24, 2020, and additional orders issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

This notice provides background information for the RFP, as well as the expected Scope of Services. This notice includes a summary of estimated key dates that will allow proper planning for interested proponents. The purpose of this notice is to provide public knowledge of the RFP in an effort to encourage an open and fair participation in this process.

**EXPECTED SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The (RFP 3784, Event 138790) will request proposals for the engineering, design, manufacturing, permit application, construction, and commissioning of four Black-Start type units, two for the Yabucoa Power Station and two for the Costa Sur Power Station.

All resources requested through the RFP must comply with the technical specifications and supplementary documents.

**ESTIMATED KEY ACTION DATES:**

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

- RFP Released to Public: December 23, 2022
- Kick-Off Presentation: January 9, 2023
- Proposal Submission Deadline & Commencement of Evaluation Phase: April 23, 2023

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](http://www.poweradvocate.com). Once registered, a proponent must request access to the RFP event 138790. Access to the Kick-Off presentation will be made available to registered proponents through event 138790 of the PowerAdvocate® platform.

For technical assistance with the sourcing platform application, please contact PowerAdvocate®'s technical support at (857) 453-5800, or by email at: [support@poweradvocate.com](mailto:support@poweradvocate.com). A link to the RFP event can also be found on PREPA's website (<https://aeepr.com/es-pr/Paginas/Suplidores/Oportunidades-para-Subastas.aspx>), and on the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau's website at <http://energia.pr.gov/en/>.



**AUTORIDAD DE ENERGÍA ELÉCTRICA DE PUERTO RICO**

**AVISO PÚBLICO**

**SOLICITUD DE PROPUESTA (RFP, POR SUS SIGLAS EN INGLÉS)**

**PARA NUEVAS UNIDADES BLACK-START PARA LAS CENTRALES YABUCOA Y COSTA SUR**

La Autoridad de Energía Eléctrica de Puerto Rico (Autoridad) publicó un RFP (RFP#3784, Evento 138790) el 23 de diciembre de 2022, para la Ingeniería, el Diseño, Manufactura y Construcción de Nuevas Unidades Black-Start para la Central Hidrogas en las Estaciones de Potencia Yabucoa y Costa Sur. Mediante este RFP, la Autoridad busca obtener propuestas para la ingeniería, manufactura, trámite y obtención de permisos y construcción para la instalación de hasta 60MW de potencia en la Planta de Gas Costa Sur y hasta 60 MW de potencia en la Planta de Gas Yabucoa descrita. Habrá dos (2) unidades por estación, ambas serán de la misma capacidad de producción. El RFP representa la compra e instalación de un máximo de 81 MW de potencia a despachar, en cumplimiento con el Plan Integrado de Recursos (PIR) aprobado por el Negociado de Energía de Puerto Rico el 24 de agosto de 2020, y órdenes adicionales emitidas por el Negociado de Energía de Puerto Rico.

Este aviso provee información de trasfondo para el RFP, al igual que el Alcance de Servicios esperado. Este aviso incluye un resumen de fechas claves estimadas que permitirán 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 3784, Evento 138790) solicitará propuestas para la ingeniería, diseño, manufactura, solicitud de permisos, construcción, y puesta en marcha de cuatro unidades tipo Black-Start, dos para la Central Hidrogas Yabucoa y dos para la Central Hidrogas Costa Sur.

Todos los recursos solicitados mediante el RFP deberán cumplir con las especificaciones técnicas y documentos suplementarios.

**FECHAS CLAVES ESTIMADAS:**

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

- Publicación del RFP: 23 de diciembre de 2022
- Presentación Inicial (Kick-Off): 9 de enero de 2023
- Fecha Límite para Someter Propuestas y Comienzo de Evaluación: 23 de abril de 2023

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](http://www.poweradvocate.com). Una vez registrado, el proponente debe solicitar acceso al evento de RFP 138790. Acceso a la presentación inicial será provisto a proponentes registrados en el evento 138790, a través de la plataforma PowerAdvocate®.

Para asistencia técnica con la aplicación, favor de comunicarse con el apoyo técnico de PowerAdvocate® llamando al (857) 453 - 5800, o por correo electrónico a: [support@poweradvocate.com](mailto:support@poweradvocate.com). Un enlace al evento de RFP también se encuentra en la página de internet de la Autoridad (<https://aeepr.com/es-pr/Paginas/Suplidores/Oportunidades-para-Subastas.aspx>), y en la página de internet del Negociado de Energía: <http://energia.pr.gov>.