

2022 EML Fall Renewable RFP Q&A

1. 11/30/2022 Phase 1 results for MISO South projects in the 2021 MISO DPP Queue are currently expected February 1, 2023, and the EML proposal submission period ends February 2, 2023. Receipt of Phase 1 results would significantly improve the confidence of bids received by EML in the Fall 2022 Renewable RFP and reduce contingencies factored into proposal pricing.
Would EML consider a one-month delay of the RFP submission period to allow suppliers adequate time to receive and analyze these results as it relates to improved proposal pricing?
 - a. ESL has changed the schedule to allow for pricing updates by February 16th if a project is in the 2021 MISO South DPP Queue.
2. 12/5/2022 Is a project eligible if it is located in the Entergy Arkansas service territory and POI is owned by Entergy Arkansas?
 - a. No. A threshold requirement of the RFP is that the proposed resource interconnect directly to the EML transmission system and be located within the EML service territory. Please see Sections 1.8, 1.10, and 2.4 of the Main Body.
3. 12/5/2022 Will you accept settlement at MISO Arkansas Hub?
 - a. No. We assume the question relates to a potential proposal for a PPA resource, the only context in which "settlement" should apply. A threshold requirement of the RFP is that energy and other products settle financially at the EML load node, with the seller assuming responsibility for any basis differential between the product price at the injection point and the product price at the EML load node and related costs. Please see Sections 2.2, 2.4, and 2.5.3 of the Main Body.
4. 12/16/2022 If the solar portion of a project was selected in the prior RFP but the associated BESS bid was not awarded, is the BESS an eligible resource in this next RFP?
 - a. As a preliminary matter, a battery energy storage system (BESS), standing alone, is not an "eligible resource" under the terms of the 2022 Fall EML Renewables RFP (Current RFP), see, e.g., Sections 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 2.4 of the Main Body. Eligible resources are limited in the Current RFP to solar photovoltaic (for proposed PPA or BOT transactions) or wind (for proposed PPA transactions) electricity generation facilities. A bidder may offer a BESS in the Current RFP as an optional addition to either a PPA or a BOT resource. The BESS must meet certain technical criteria and capabilities to be considered as an optional addition. The Current RFP precludes a facility included in a proposal that was selected by Entergy Mississippi in the 2022 EML Renewables RFP issued in January 2022 (Initial 2022 RFP) from being offered in the Current RFP. If a bidder offered a BESS option as part of a proposal selected in the Initial 2022 RFP and the BESS was not included in the resource selected, the bidder may offer the same, a similar, or a materially different BESS as an optional addition to a solar photovoltaic or wind facility that is eligible for participation in the Current RFP.
5. 12/16/2022 Could EML provide a word version of the PPA for redlines?
 - a. Word versions of the model PPAs will be available to registered bidders on the PowerAdvocate website after Bidder Registration.

6. 1/9/2023 Has EML considered settlement for hybrid resources at the project node? Does EML have additional information to share about how the battery will be operated, such as a hybrid profile and charging/ discharging schedule?
 - a. EML considered the settlement point in the development of the RFP and decided that Sellers should take basis risk for energy delivered either directly from the generation resource or from a connected storage facility to EML's load. EML does not have specific information it can share regarding battery operation but would plan to use any battery to optimize operational flexibility and economic benefits for its customers.

7. 1/9/2023 For a hybrid resource, is the required collateral based on the renewable resource (for e.g. solar) MW or the hybrid resource (solar + storage) MW capacity?
 - a. The credit support requirements for this RFP are based on the Expected Capacity of the generation resource.

8. 1/10/2023 Can [Bidder XXXX] bid into [the 2022 EML Fall Renewables RFP]?
 - a. Any bidder that has registered may bid into the 2022 EML Fall Renewables RFP. Please refer to Table 2 in Section 1.9 of the Main Body and to Section 2.4 of the Main Body for details on the threshold requirements for proposals submitted in the RFP.