

SDG&E's 2019 RA RFP

Questions & Answers (FAQs)

1. General

- 1.1. The initial email stated the RFP was a DRAM RFO and the due date was April 6; however, the due date is April 3 and this is an RA RFP, correct?

SDG&E started using a new email service for this RFP and there were a couple of issues. The correct due date is April 3, questions are due by March 28, and this RFP is for 2019 Resource Adequacy ("RA"). While Demand Response ("DR") resources are eligible to submit a proposal if they meet all the eligibility requirements, this RFP is not related to the Demand Response Auction Mechanism ("DRAM").

- 1.2. Why is this RA RFP launching in March when your final RA compliance is not due until October?

SDG&E is seeking to complete its RA procurement in April as part of its resource planning before the October deadline.

- 1.3. If a Respondent submits multiple offers, and those offers are shortlisted, can the Respondent accept a portion of the offers selected and reject others? If the Respondent sells some of the capacity to a different supplier before notification, can the Respondent accept a partial offer?

Respondents should describe any mutual inclusivity or mutual exclusivity between offers submitted. For example, if a Respondent submitted an offer for 100 MW from a facility, the Respondent must indicate whether SDG&E must take all 100 MW or none of it, as opposed to, SDG&E may take any amount of MWs from 0 – 100 MW. SDG&E will select the offers that best match our customers' needs. If a respondent decides to reject any offers selected for the shortlist, SDG&E may select from the remaining offers or decide to reject all remaining offers.

If the Respondent sells a portion of the capacity offered into this RFP before shortlist notification, Respondents shall notify SDG&E immediately that it is withdrawing or limiting the size of its bid.

- 1.4. Are resources interconnected at the ECO substation considered RA for this RFP?

Determination of local RA is made by the CAISO. Resources need to be listed as "San Diego-IV" on the most recent NQC list to be a valid product for this RFP. For example, here is the 2018 NQC list:

http://www.caiso.com/Documents/NetQualifyingCapacityReport_ComplianceYear-2018.xlsx

- 1.5. How much local RA capacity does SD-IV need from this RFP to fulfill its needs?

SDG&E does not have an exact number currently and isn't going to provide that information before proposals are due.

1.6. Can we have a map of the SD-IV service area that needs the capacity and substations we can connect to?

Please see the answer to 1.4.

1.7. Are BTM solar + storage assets accepted?

Resources need to be listed in the “San Diego-IV” on the most recent NQC list to be a valid product for this RFP and if the resource meets all the eligibility criteria as listed in the RFO protocols, then yes.

1.8. Do you have to have site control to bid?

Site control is not a requirement; however, SDG&E may use this information on a qualitative basis to judge the viability of a proposal assuming the resource meets all the eligibility criteria as listed in the RFO protocols

1.9. What is the preferred COD date?

While there is no preferred COD date, SDG&E may use this information on a qualitative basis to judge the viability of a proposal assuming the resource meets all the eligibility criteria as listed in the RFO protocols.

1.10. Why is SDG&E requiring a firm Proposal?

SDG&E has a firm obligation to provide Resource Adequacy for our customers in 2019 with strict requirements set forth by the CAISO and CPUC, therefore, SDG&E requires Respondents to provide firm proposals. SDG&E will not be notified by CAISO to provide any replacement/substitute capacity for planned outages of 3rd party resources. Therefore, the product provided to SDG&E must be firm in nature.