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Long Lead-Time Request for Proposals

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Purpose

The purpose of this session is to continue discussing design considerations related to the Long Lead-Time Request for Proposals (LLT RFP).

Agenda

Today's engagement will cover the following topics:

1. Policy Updates
2. RFP Design Considerations
3. Contract Design Considerations
4. Response to Stakeholder Feedback
5. Next Steps

Draft Procurement Timelines



On-going engagement

The timelines presented above are approximate and are subject to change pending policy direction from the Ministry, and when final RFPs and Contracts are posted.

Overview of LLT RFP Design Considerations

Items Discussed Today

RFP

- Policy Updates
- Resource Eligibility
- Mandatory Requirements
- Support Confirmations
- Access Rights
- IE Certificate (Capacity)
- Rated Criteria & Other Incentives
- Deliverability
- Reserve Price

Contract

- Early Commercial Operation
- Regulation Services Readiness Requirements (Capacity)

Closed Design Items

- Minimum Duration (Capacity)
- Proposal Security and Completion and Performance Security
- Environmental Attributes
- Optional Termination
- Contract Escalation
- Post Proposal Applicable Tariffs
- Periods of Reduced Water Availability(Energy)
- Resource Eligibility
- Team Member Experience
- Must Offer Requirements (Capacity), including Qualifying Hours
- Mid-Term Extended Outages

**Policy related items are subject to government direction*



Policy Updates

Supply Chain Disclosure (1)

- The IESO continues to expect that the LLT RFP will include provisions that incentivize Proponents to source goods and services within Canada; final decisions will be reflected in government direction
- The following minimum requirements are under consideration:
 - All Proponents will be required to submit a Supply Chain Disclosure Plan (SCDP), which will:
 - Set out the Proponent's plan to source goods and services for the project
 - Indicate the expected country of origin of goods and services
 - Provide rationale for the goods and services that are not expected to be sourced in Canada
 - There is no minimum content level that will apply as part of the plan unless the Proponent elects to pursue the potential additional incentives outlined on the next slide
 - If awarded an LLT Contract, the Supplier's SCDP, along with a final report at COD, will be shared with the Ministry of Energy and Mines

Supply Chain Disclosure (2)

- The government is also considering additional incentives to encourage Proponents to source a certain percentage of project costs in Canada. Options under consideration include:
 - Sourcing 75% of materials and construction services costs (e.g. civil works) from Canadian materials and service suppliers.
 - Sourcing 75% of total project costs from Canadian goods and services.
- If a Proponent makes this commitment:
 - The IESO would apply a 2% reduction to the Evaluated Proposal Price under the RFP
 - Suppliers would be required to demonstrate that their project has sourced the required amount of project costs from Canadian sources prior to Commercial Operation
 - Should the Supplier be unable to meet the requirement, the application of liquidated damages is under consideration

The IESO is seeking stakeholder feedback to understand how these proposed provisions would impact project decisions regarding goods and services and whether a 75% threshold (for civil works or total spend) is achievable

Projects Proposed in Prime Agricultural Areas

- The IESO understands that the government intends to **remove all rated criteria points for projects to locate outside of Prime Agricultural Areas (PAAs)**, under both the capacity and energy streams when issuing the directive for the LLT RFP
- For clarity, where a Proponent chooses to locate in a PAA, the Agricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) Component One and AIA Component Two and Three Requirements will continue to apply
 - For further information regarding these requirements, please consult the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Agribusiness (OMAFRA) guidelines related to [AIA Component One Requirement](#) and the [AIA Component Two and Three Requirements](#) available on the LT2 RFP Website



RFP Design Considerations

Proposed Procurement Timelines

Milestone	Date
IESO's release of the final LLT RFPs and LLT Contracts	by April 30*
Proponent's deadline for submitting questions and comments, if any	[June 25, 2026]
IESO's deadline for issuing Addenda to the LLT RFPs and Contracts, if any	[July 23, 2026]
Registration Start Date	[July 30, 2026]
Proponent's Deadline for Registration	[August 13, 2026]
Proposal Submission Deadline	[October 1, 2026]
Target date for notification to Selected Proponents	[March 30, 2027]

*Procurement launch is dependent on the IESO receiving government direction, should this be delayed the other dates included in this table are subject to change

Recap - Foundational Design Elements

- At this time, the IESO expects the LLT RFP to be administered as **a single window**, with separate energy and capacity procurements, subject to Ministerial direction
- The LLT RFP is **intended for New Build resources** capable of meeting Performance Obligations outlined in the LLT(e) or LLT(c) Contract, as applicable
- The procurement has been designed to facilitate participation of **projects that require a lead-time of five or more years;**
 - For greater clarity, lead time means the period between contract execution and commercial operation
- A **40-year contract term** is being proposed for all successful projects across both the Energy and Capacity streams; as such resources are expected to be able to operate reliably over this period with minimal interruptions

Resource Eligibility



Capacity Stream

- Projects with a **minimum size of 10 MW** that are capable of registering as market participants
- New build, eligible Class I and II Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES) Technologies, including:
 - Compressed Air Energy Storage
 - Pumped Hydro Storage
 - Liquid Air Energy Storage
 - Pumped Thermal Energy Storage



Energy Stream

- Projects with a **minimum size of 1 MW** that are capable of registering as market participants
- New build hydroelectric projects that are not pumped hydro storage



As a reminder, the IESO is developing a proposal for the IE certificate requirement to confirm certain project details that would be applicable to Class II technologies only

Resource Eligibility – Separately Metered Expansions

- After considering stakeholder feedback, the IESO has determined that **separately metered expansions** will qualify as New Build projects, under both the energy and capacity stream, and as such, will be eligible to participate in the LLT RFP. This is the same treatment as under the LT2 RFP
- As a reminder, LLT Energy Projects and LLT Capacity Projects will be required to comply with all requirements included in the RFPs and Contracts, including but not limited to eligibility requirements, Commercial Operation requirements, Early COD requirements and Performance Obligations

Mandatory Requirements (1)

The following Mandatory Requirements will apply under the LLT RFP:

- The Proponent must meet the Team Member Experience requirement
- The project must meet the minimum size requirements (i.e., 1 MW for energy projects and 10 MW for capacity projects) and be capable of registering as a Market Participant
- Support confirmations will be required where the Project is proposed to be located on Indigenous Lands and/or Municipal Lands
- The Proponent will be required to provide evidence to demonstrate that they have been granted access rights to the Project Site
- LLT Capacity Projects ≥ 20 MW must meet the Regulation Service Readiness Requirements

Mandatory Requirements (2)

- LLT Capacity Projects in respect of Class II LDES Technologies must provide an IE certificate confirming certain aspects of the project design
- LLT Capacity Projects must have a Withdrawal Capability that is greater than or equal to the Maximum Contract Capacity
- All Proponents will be required to submit a Supply Chain Disclosure Plan

Support Confirmations

The IESO expects that LLT RFP policy direction will require Proponents to obtain support confirmations prior to Proposal submission. One or more support confirmations, or other instruments, may be required depending on where the project is proposed to be located:

Project Site Location	Support Confirmation Requirement
Indigenous Lands*	Indigenous Support Confirmation
Within a Municipality	Municipal Support Confirmation
Provincial Crown lands managed by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) within the boundary of a municipality	Municipal Support Confirmation
Provincial Crown lands managed by MNR (not within municipal boundaries)	In lieu of support confirmation, MNR Confirmation Letter
Unincorporated Territory*	In lieu of support confirmation, Confirmation of Unincorporated Territory

*Terms defined in the LLT(e) RFP and LLT(c) RFP

Support Confirmations

- The Prescribed Form: Evidence of Municipal Support will be posted on February 27, 2026 and can be used for the purpose of obtaining Municipal Support Confirmations related to LLT Energy Projects and LLT Capacity Projects
- In addition to support confirmations, the Pre-Engagement Confirmation Notice is a mandatory requirement under the LLT RFP for Proposals with Project Sites on Indigenous Lands and/or Municipal Lands, as applicable
- At this time, the IESO does not foresee any future modifications to this Prescribed Form. However, should these forms change in substance prior to procurement launch, Proponents will be responsible for working with the community to ensure all requirements are met
- The IESO continues to encourage early engagement with both Municipalities and Indigenous Communities

Access Rights

- Proposals must meet all applicable Access Rights requirements depending on the category of land of the Property(ies) that make up the Project Site to meet the mandatory requirements of the LLT RFP:

Category of Land	Access Rights Requirement
All land except Crown land	Map showing outer boundary of the Project Site, parcel registers (or equivalent) evidencing the registered owners, and a letter from each documented title holder or Governmental Authority, where applicable, stating that the Proponent has the contractual right to acquire the Property or the contractual rights to build, operate and maintain the project on the Property
Provincial Crown land managed by the Ministry of Natural Resources	MNR Confirmation Letter and provincial Crown Land Shapefile consistent with the Project Site information contained in the Crown Land Site Report Form
Federal Crown land	Survey Permit or an existing executed lease and federal Crown Land Shapefile consistent with the Project Site information contained in the Survey Permit or existing executed lease

Access Rights – Provincial Crown Lands

- Projects that are looking to locate on provincial Crown lands must submit:
 - **A MNR Confirmation Letter** (i.e., an acknowledgement from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources indicating that the Proponent has submitted a complete Crown Land Site Report (CLSR))
 - **A Provincial Crown Land Shapefile** mapping the boundary of the Project Site (and, separately, that of any included Proposal PQ Alternates) that is consistent with Project Site information included in the CLSR submitted to MNR
- As a reminder, please wait for the following forms to be updated by the IESO/MNR prior to submitting requests. This includes both the Crown Land Site Report form (*issued by MNR*) and the Prescribed Form: Access Rights, including the MNR Confirmation Letter language (*included in the Prescribed Form*)

Access Rights – Indigenous Land Claims (1)

- The IESO continues to encourage engagement with Indigenous communities
- Proponents should continue to refer to resources identified in the CLSR form posted on the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) website, including the [Mining Lands Administration System](#) for information regarding notices and withdrawals issued under the *Mining Act* in support of ongoing land claim negotiations with First Nations
- The Ministry of Indigenous Affairs and First Nations also [maintains this webpage about current land claims](#)
- Where a project is proposed on lands subject to these withdrawal orders, engagement with the First Nations involved in the land claim negotiation is encouraged

Access Rights – Indigenous Land Claims (2)

- MNR will review CLSRs for completeness, and where the form is complete, will issue a MNR Confirmation Letter
- At the time the letter is issued, MNR will also separately notify Proponents where a Proponent's project, that is subject to a completed CLSR, overlaps with an area that has been withdrawn under the Mining Act in support of ongoing land claim negotiations with a First Nation community
 - At this time, MNR will also notify the First Nation community of the proposed project
- It is important to note that land claims may affect the Province's decision(s) related to granting Crown land site access; the support of the First Nation pursuing the land claim may be required

Access Rights – Federal Crown Lands

- After consultation with Parks Canada and review of stakeholder feedback, where a project will be located wholly or partially on federal Crown lands, the IESO has added a requirement for Proponents to provide the following as part of the Proposal:
 - A copy of a valid Survey Permit issued by Parks Canada or an existing executed lease of such federal Crown lands;
 - A Crown Land Shapefile showing the boundaries of the federal Crown lands that will form all or part of the Project Site
- As part of Proposal Evaluation, the IESO will confirm that the Survey Permit is valid, that it has been issued to the Proponent, and is in relation to lands within the Project Site

Feedback: Please inform the IESO if you intend to site your projects on federal Crown lands that are not currently managed by Parks Canada

Independent Engineer Certificate (Capacity)

- Where a Proponent is proposing a project in respect of a Class II LDES Technology, a Prescribed Form: Independent Engineer Certificate must be submitted, which will be used to confirm that:
 - The LLT Capacity Project is an eligible Class II LDES Technology;
 - The LLT Capacity Project is reasonably expected to take no less than five (5) years to achieve Commercial Operation from the Contract Date;
 - The LLT Capacity Project is reasonably expected to be designed, engineered and constructed to be capable of operating in accordance with the requirements of the LLT(c) Contract for the duration of the Commitment Period

Rated Criteria (Energy)

- The IESO expects that the following rated criteria will apply under the LLT(e) RFP, subject to confirmation through government direction
- For LLT Energy Projects, Rated Criteria will have a 10% impact on the Evaluated Proposal Price

Category	Points
Indigenous Economic Participation	up to 3
Local Indigenous Economic Participation	up to 3

$$EPP = SP \times (1 - (ECW \times (S / MS)))$$

where:

EPP = Evaluated Proposal Price

SP = the Submitted Price

ECW = The Evaluation Criteria Weighting

S = Rated Criteria Points Awarded

MS = Maximum Possible Points

Rated Criteria – Indigenous Economic Participation

- The IESO expects to award Rated Criteria points for projects where Indigenous Communities or Indigenous Holding Vehicles hold an Economic Interest in the Proponent/Supplier of at least 10%
- The available Rated Criteria points create opportunities for Indigenous leadership and participation in the LLT RFP; the Evaluated Proposal Price Impact is up to 5%

Indigenous Participation Level (IPL)	Rated Criteria Points Available
IPL is equal to or more than 50%	3
IPL is equal to or more than 25% but less than 50%	2
IPL is equal to or more than 10% but less than 25%	1

Rated Criteria – Local Indigenous Economic Participation

- The IESO expects to award up to three additional points for projects with Indigenous economic participation, where the project is proposed to be located on the Indigenous Lands or lands within the treaty areas, or the established or asserted traditional territory or homeland of the Indigenous Community that holds the Economic Interest
- The number of points will be dependent on the Indigenous Participation Level; the Evaluated Proposal Price Impact is up to 5%

Local Indigenous Participation Level (IPL)	Rated Criteria Points Available
IPL is equal to or more than 50%	3
IPL is equal to or more than 25% but less than 50%	2
IPL is equal to or more than 10% but less than 25%	1

Rated Criteria - Indigenous Economic Participation

- For Proposals that are awarded Rated Criteria points for Indigenous Participation Level (IPL) and are awarded an LLT Contract, Suppliers must maintain the such Initial IPL until the fifth anniversary of the Commercial Operation Date
- If the Initial IPL is reduced, Suppliers must notify the IESO within 20-business days and restore it within six-months, or it will constitute a Supplier Event of Default
- If an Indigenous Community with at least 10% Economic Interest in the Supplier requests a reduction before the fifth anniversary of Commercial Operation Date, the Initial IPL may be lowered to a level that is no less than the Minimum Reduced IPL

Rated Criteria (Capacity)

- The IESO expects that the following rated criteria will apply under the LLT(c) RFP, subject to confirmation through government direction
- For LLT Capacity Projects, Rated Criteria will have a 15% impact on the Evaluated Proposal Price

Category	Points
Indigenous Economic Participation	up to 3 points
Local Indigenous Economic Participation	up to 3 points
Duration	Up to 3 points

$$EPP = SP \times (1 - (ECW \times (S / MS)))$$

where:

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MS = Maximum Possible Points

Rated Criteria (Capacity) - Duration

- The IESO is proposing to award Rated Criteria points if the project can offer more than the minimum 8 hours of continuous energy at their Contract Capacity
- These points are being awarded in consideration of Effective Load Carrying Capacity studies conducted by the IESO, which identify incremental benefits to longer durations
- The Evaluated Proposal Price Impact is up to 5%

Duration	Rated Criteria Points Available
Able to continuously offer Contract Capacity for 10+ hours	1.5
Able to continuously offer Contract Capacity for 12+ hours	3

Duration – Contractual Obligations

- In order to declare Commercial Operation, a Performance Test is required, which is equivalent to the requirements of a Capacity Check Test (CCT)
- During the Term, the Facility will be required to conduct a CCT, which includes a requirement that the Test Capacity must be equal to or greater than 100% of the Monthly Contract Capacity for a test period that is equal to the Duration Capability
- The CCT will require the Facility to Deliver Electricity during the Qualifying Hours for at least the number of contiguous 5-minute intervals equal to the Duration Capability
 - Test Capacity means the Electricity output of the Facility for the hour of the CCT Duration with the lowest Electricity output, divided by one hour. Failure to achieve 100% of the Monthly Contract Capacity may result in a Capacity Reduction Factor or a Supplier Event of Default as described in Section 15.6 of the LLT Contract

Other Incentives

- Incentives related to buy local provisions are still under consideration (see slides 8-9 for details)
- As a reminder, the LLT RFP will not include the following:
 - **Incentives for Canadian Status Proponents:** this incentive is not expected to apply under the LLT RFP and will be replaced with the buy local policy provisions that are under development
 - **Early Commercial Operation Incentives:** while projects will be able to reach Commercial Operation early (subject to IESO approval for years 5-7 after the Contract Date), there will be no multipliers applied to the Fixed Price or Fixed Capacity Payment and the Term will remain at 40 years from the date of Commercial Operation

Deliverability (1)

- Since December 2025, the IESO has been conducting early deliverability discussions with stakeholders to better understand projects that are being proposed and help inform its approach to deliverability guidance under the LLT RFP; discussions have offered helpful insights into projects under consideration
- In mid-March, to assist with choosing sites for pre-deliverability assessment, the IESO plans to publish a list of the transmission reinforcements planned in-service post-2030
 - This is intended to help Proponents identify areas which have the most potential for incremental capacity in comparison to the LT2-W1 Connection Guidance

Deliverability (2)

- In order to further support Proponents, starting in April, the IESO plans to conduct pre-deliverability assessments to provide proponents as much guidance as possible ahead of LT2 window 1 results
 - A form will be available on the IESO website that must be completed by the indicated deadline
 - The IESO is considering allowance for up to 3 submissions per Proponent, each of which would consist of one connection arrangement and one project size
- If a Proposal is identified to be undeliverable during pre-deliverability assessments, the IESO may identify potential *common corridor* alternatives that could make the project deliverable

Deliverability (3)

- Following LT2 window 1 results (expected June 2026) the IESO will provide updates to the pre-deliverability assessments conducted in April (if applicable)
- In the next few weeks, the IESO will be updating the [LLT Website](#) to provide Proponents with further instructions on how to participate in upcoming pre-deliverability assessments

Deliverability - Timelines



The timelines presented above are approximate and are subject to change based on timing of contract award for LT2 window 1

Purpose of the Reserve Price

- The introduction of a Reserve Price as part of the LLT RFP is intended to support the IESO's mandate to secure capacity and energy resources at the lowest practical cost
- To support anticipated government direction that the IESO carry out the procurement in a manner that takes into account the impact on electricity affordability to consumers while supporting reliability, the Reserve Price ensures successful projects remain cost-competitive with alternative procurement options
- If lower-cost resources can be secured through other IESO programs and procurements, it is in ratepayers' best interest to pursue those instead

Reserve Price

The following inputs will be used as a base when establishing the Reserve Price:

- Pricing outcomes from Window 1 of the LT2 RFP for Energy and Capacity (*Note: the price applied will be the highest clearing price for each stream*)
- Estimated Net Cost of New Entry for Energy/Capacity for the second half of the Term

As part of the Reserve Price calculation the IESO is also considering valuing the following attributes:

Capacity	Energy
Supply Diversity: Avoids over-reliance on any single technology or supplier	
Buy Local Provision: Supports provincial economic growth, strengthens local supply chains	
Operational Life: Reduces future procurement needs and leverages existing assets more cost-effectively.	
Regulation Readiness: Capability to provide regulation services and readiness to participate in future procurement regulation opportunities.	Baseload Production: Steady energy that anchors system reliability and reduces reliance on intermittent resources
Duration: The ability to supply energy continuously over longer periods of time enhances reliability and supports peak demand needs	

Reserve Price Confidentiality

- The Reserve Price will remain confidential (i.e., will not be shared publicly)
- The IESO will share the Reserve Price with the Fairness Advisor ahead of the Proposal Submission Deadline
- The IESO has decided to implement a confidential price threshold to encourage competitive outcomes; prevents strategic bidding behavior that could anchor offers near the Reserve Price rather than encouraging Proponents to reflect true costs as part of Proposals



Contract Design Considerations

Early Commercial Operation (1)

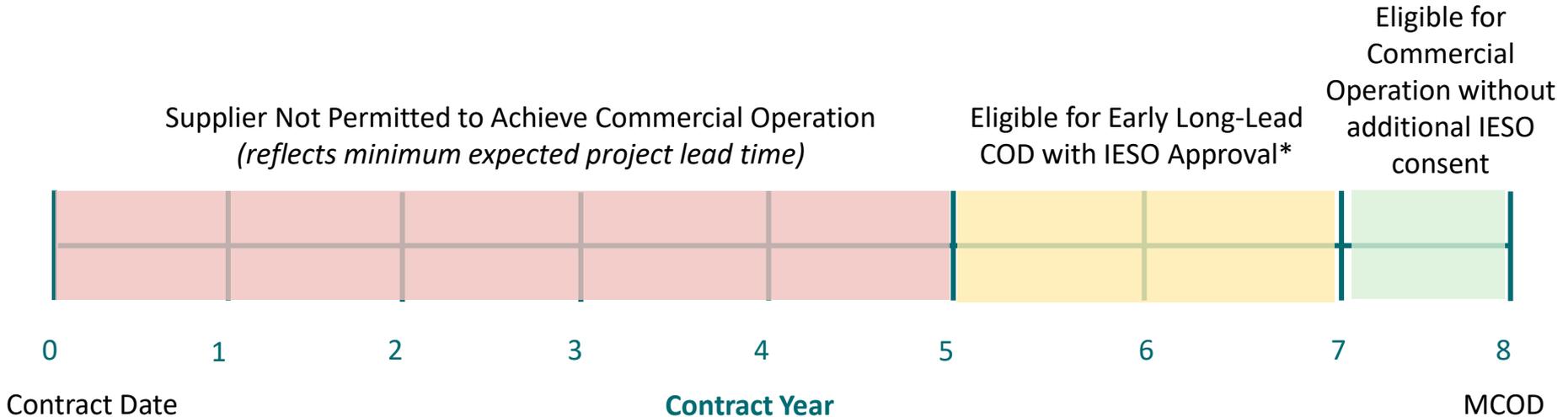
- The LLT Contract includes a Milestone Date for Commercial Operation (MCOD) which is 8 years after the Contract Date; this was designed to allow all Suppliers sufficient time to develop and commission their projects
- The IESO recognizes that certain projects can be developed under shorter lead times (e.g., 5-7 years) and those Suppliers may wish to start their Term early. For clarity, under the LLT RFP, Early Commercial Operation will not extend the Term of the LLT Contract
- To accommodate this, as part of the [December 18, 2025 Engagement Webinar](#), the IESO shared potential options for allowing Suppliers to reach Commercial Operation in advance of the MCOD while considering that some projects may rely on transmission enhancements
 - Feedback received was supportive of allowing early commercial operation and suggested that the IESO should be less conservative in its approach to deliverability, even if this meant that certain restrictions may apply to Facilities wishing to achieve Commercial Operation early

Early Commercial Operation (2)

- As a result, the IESO has updated the LLT Contracts to reflect the following:
 - The Supplier will not be permitted to achieve Commercial Operation prior to the 5th anniversary of the Contract Date
 - In the event the Supplier seeks to achieve Commercial Operation between the 5th and 7th anniversary of the Contract Date (the "**Early Long-Lead COD**"), prior written consent from the IESO will be required
 - Starting from the 7th anniversary of the Contract Date projects may reach Commercial Operation by following the process for achieving Commercial Operation under the Contract (no additional prior written consent from the IESO is required)
- For further clarity, to be eligible to achieve Commercial Operation, a Facility must meet all of the requirements for Commercial Operation outlined in Article 2.5 of the LLT Contract

Early Commercial Operation (3)

- Approval related to an Early Long Lead COD will be at the discretion of the IESO
 - As part of this, the IESO may consider the status of required transmission upgrades to enable efficient delivery of energy and/or other potential impacts of the project on the IESO Controlled Grid; may include a re-assessment of deliverability at the time the request is submitted



Early Commercial Operation (4)

- For further context, the Deliverability testing of LLT Capacity Projects and LLT Energy Projects will consider transmission upgrades/enhancements that are expected to come into service between 2030 and 2035
 - Transmission upgrades that are required for the project to be deliverable, and the expected in-service year, will be communicated to participants prior to Contract Award
- While Suppliers can submit a request to reach Commercial Operation early at any time, where a project will connect to a transmission line that is expected to come into service after 2030, Suppliers are encouraged to submit approval requests no earlier than 1 year before their intended Commercial Operation Date
 - Suppliers will be required to keep the IESO updated on the progress towards achieving Commercial Operation as part of quarterly progress reporting

Regulation Services Readiness Requirements (1)

- As indicated at the [January 28 Engagement Webinar](#), LLT Capacity Projects connected to the Transmission System with a Nameplate Capacity ≥ 20 MW will be subject to the Regulation Services Readiness Requirements
- As an update to the Regulation Services Readiness Requirements, the IESO would like to clarify that to achieve the previously specified minimum ramp rate of 5 MW/min, each Facility must be capable of providing a minimum of 10 MW of capacity for the purpose of Regulation Service. If a Facility were to be capable of providing more than 10 MW of capacity for Regulation Service, the associated Ramp Rate must be 50% of that capacity
 - For example, a Facility capable of providing 50 MW of Regulation Capacity would be required to have a ramp rate of ± 25 MW/min

Regulation Services Readiness Requirements (2)

- As part of the Prescribed Form: Proponent Information, Declaration, and Workbook, Suppliers of Regulation Ready-Required Facilities must attest that their Facilities will be designed in a manner to meet the Regulation Services Readiness Requirements
- As a requirement to achieving Commercial Operation, an Independent Engineer must verify that the Facility has met the Regulation Services Readiness Requirements (i.e., where a Facility is a Regulation Ready-Required Facility, the Facility is designed and constructed such that it is capable of providing Regulation Services, including having installed the Regulation Services Equipment)

Regulation Services Readiness Requirements (3)

- Within 6 months of the Commercial Operation Date (COD), the Supplier must have initiated the System Impact Assessment (SIA) registration process for the purposes of providing Regulation Services to the IESO, to begin the process to test and commission a Facility's ability to provide regulation
- Suppliers will be required to use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to satisfy all Regulation Services Testing Requirements, per the applicable IESO Market Rules and Manuals, within 18 months after COD



Response to Stakeholder Feedback

Buy Local Provision

What we've heard from stakeholders

- The IESO should not implement a blanket requirement for 50% local content. If a project requires specialized equipment that is only available outside Canada and that equipment represents more than 50% of the project's total costs, this should be taken into consideration
- At the time of Proposal submission detailed supplier information is generally not available
- The requirement should consider capital expenditure throughout development and operation.
- Plans should remain flexible if minimum local content threshold requirement is being met

IESO Response to Feedback

- The IESO appreciates this feedback and has shared it with the Ministry of Energy and Mines. The Buy Local policy provisions are still under development and final decisions will be made by government and reflected to the IESO in the LLT RFP directive

Access Rights

What we've heard from stakeholders

- Flood zones or other impacted lands should not be included in the definition of Project Site as impacts are evaluated through the Environmental Assessment (EA) process and could lead to duplication of review

IESO Response to Feedback

- The IESO appreciates this feedback. Currently, the IESO does not intend to revise the definition of "Project Site" or the Provincial Crown Land Shapefile requirements
- The IESO understands that flood zones and other impacted lands will be assessed and addressed through the EA process. While this information will not be required at the time of Proposal submission, Proponents are responsible for managing any potential impacts on the development of their project post contract award. Proponents will also be required to acknowledge that their project may have impacts outside of the Project Site

Water Availability-Energy

What we've heard from stakeholders

- Generally, stakeholders were supportive of the proposed adjustments to the E-PPA model presented during the [January 28 Engagement Webinar](#), to recognize instances of high market pricing where the Facility production may be impacted by conditions that are outside of the Supplier's Control
- One stakeholder suggested that any risk to the Supplier should be capped at a small amount so the Supplier can manage exposure

IESO Response to Feedback

- The IESO believes the adjustments to the E-PPA model provide sufficient protection against risks that are unmanageable or outside of the Supplier's control

Inflation Index

What we've heard from stakeholders

- Limiting indexation to Consumer Price Index (CPI) is insufficient for highly capital-intensive projects with long development and construction cycles. Consideration of broader indexation is needed to mitigate cost-escalation risk, and improve overall project competitiveness

IESO Response to Feedback

- The IESO will retain the use of CPI as the inflation index, consistent with other IESO procurements



Next Steps

Next Steps (1)

- The IESO invites stakeholder feedback on the materials presented today, including the proposed procurement considerations, by using the feedback forms provided
 - Feedback on the Supply Chain Disclosure provisions are due by **March 5, 2026**
 - Feedback on the rest of the materials are due by **March 12, 2026**
- Updated drafts of the RFPs and Contracts will be posted on the [Website](#) on February 27, 2026. Please include your comments on these as part of your feedback form in response to this webinar
- The IESO will be working to finalize procurement documents in March, your prompt response is appreciated to ensure that feedback can be considered as part of this process

Next Steps (2)

- All written feedback should be submitted to engagement@ieso.ca utilizing the IESO Feedback Form posted on the engagement webpage
- If you have any questions regarding the LLT RFP, please send them to LLT.RFP@ieso.ca



Q&A

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