

Feedback Form

Draft Long-Term RFQ – Posted February 28, 2022

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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from participants on the draft Long-Term Request for Qualifications (LT1 RFQ). The LT 1 RFQ will seek to ensure that interested parties have the capability to undertake project development for the LT1 RFP and will seek to evaluate applicants both on corporate experience and employee experience.

The draft LT1 RFQ can be found on the [Long-Term RFP webpage](#).

Please provide feedback by March 31, 2022 to engagement@ieso.ca.

Please use subject header: ***Draft Long-Term 1 RFQ***. To promote transparency, this feedback will be posted on the [Long-Term RFP webpage](#) unless otherwise requested by the sender.

The IESO will work to consider and incorporate comments as appropriate and post responses on the webpage.

Thank you for your contribution.

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Topic/ RFQ Section	Feedback
Qualification Submission Qualification Submission Fee / Section 2.7 (b)(i)	
Mandatory Requirements for Large-Scale LT1 Projects Large-Scale Entity Development Experience / Section 3.2 (a)(i)	
Mandatory Requirements for Large-Scale LT1 Projects Large-Scale Individual Development Experience / 3.2 (a)(ii)	
Mandatory Requirements for Large-Scale LT1 Projects Market Operating Experience / 3.2 (a)(iii)	
Mandatory Requirements for Small-Scale LT1 Projects Small-Scale Entity Development Experience / Section 3.2 (b)(i)	
Mandatory Requirements for Small-Scale LT1 Projects Small-Scale Individual Development Experience / 3.2 (b)(ii)	
Mandatory Requirements for Small-Scale LT1 Projects Market Operating Experience / 3.2 (b)(iii)	

General Comments/Feedback

Regarding the **Mandatory Requirements for Large-Scale LT1 Projects** pertaining to applicant entity and individual development experience and market operating experience, Bedrock Energy Corp. ("Bedrock") maintains, as communicated in previous feedback form submissions to the IESO

(February 18, 2022 & March 17, 2022), that such requirements are unnecessary when viewed in the context of selecting the right projects to provide the right solution(s) to the electricity system, and in fact present the potential to stifle competition in the RFP process, act as a barrier to technological innovation, and inhibit the growth of local Ontario businesses.

Furthermore, Bedrock supports and endorses Energy Storage Canada's ("ESC") feedback in reference to Sections 3.2(a)(i)(A), 3.2(a)(i)(B), 3.2(a)(ii), and 3.2(a)(iii).

Finally, Bedrock would like to highlight that Northland Power and Direct Energy are important examples of leading Canadian-formed companies which could not at their nascence have passed or qualified for RFQs such as this, if such requirements were necessitated. In the case of Northland, which is well known to the IESO, it started with a couple of small gas-fired generation facilities in the late 1980s, contracted to the-then Ontario Hydro. Direct Energy took full advantage of forming with a small group of shareholders when the north American natural gas market was opened to competition. It too could never have met strict requirements such as those in this RFP and its business would not have qualified. The point is simply that we need to welcome these entrepreneurial types of businesses where possible.