

Feedback Form

Long-Term RFP – May 4, 2023

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Following the May 4th public webinar on the Long-Term RFP (LT1 RFP), the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from participants on design of the LT1 RFP and LT1 Contract.

The referenced presentation can be found on the [Long-Term RFP webpage](#).

Please provide feedback by May 18, 2023 to engagement@ieso.ca.

Please use subject header: **Long-Term RFP**. 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.

Areas of Feedback:

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<p>The revised proposed procurement timeline presented on May 4, with regards to changes to the schedule of the Deliverability Test process.</p>	<p>Evolugen by Brookfield Renewable appreciates the opportunity to provide comments.</p> <p>We strongly urge the IESO to commit to its RFP process timelines—from Deliverability Test to Contract Award—once announced. Modifying RFP process timelines can create chain-reactions where internal agreements, contracts, and project plans are disrupted and require re-negotiation or reshuffling. Other than unnecessarily consuming time and resources that can be spent on developing new projects for the IESO’s future procurements, such disruptions could also result in upward revisions of project offer prices.</p>
<p>The proposed broadened definition of an Eligible Expansion facility, which gives the optionality of connecting to a separate connection point as long as the new resource remains within the boundaries of the existing site.</p>	<p>We generally support allowing proponents more options and flexibility in ways to interconnect projects in <u>all</u> procurement processes.</p>

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<p>The removal of locational Rated Criteria points due to a provincial wide Capacity need within the timeframe of the LT1 RFP.</p>	<p>Should the IESO remove locational Rated Criteria points, it would certainly encourage proponents to explore sites and regions more broadly in the province. However, we reiterate our request for the IESO and Hydro One to release and keep up-to-date detailed information regarding interconnection integration potential, similar to what Hydro Quebec has released to enable their procurement efforts: https://nouvelles.hydroquebec.com/fr/communiques-de-presse/1933/potentiel-dintegration-au-reseau-dhydro-quebec-pour-une-mise-en-service-en-2027-en-2028-et-en-2029/?fromSearch=1.</p> <p>Such information would help proponents to focus their siting and project development efforts prior to entering Deliverability Testing. It is not advantageous to the IESO if proponents commit resources and time securing site control and conducting community outreach without guidance on interconnection room prior to Deliverability Testing. Developing potential projects that are only found to be undeliverable at the Deliverability Testing stage would increase overall development costs for proponents, which would be reflected in their final project offer prices. To be clear, we do not suggest that information on grid interconnection integration potential would or should replace Deliverability Testing, but absent any price or interconnection potential signals, proponents would incur unnecessary costs on projects that would ultimately be unsuccessful—a detriment to RFP efficiency and investor confidence.</p>

Other or General Comments/Feedback: