

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Design, EPC and Operation of 10 MW Solar PV Plant

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**Country:** USA

### **Description of procurement:**

El Paso Electric Company (EPE) is soliciting turnkey proposals for the engineering, procurement, and construction (“EPC”) of a utility-scale solar energy generating facility to include an optional AC-coupled Battery Energy Storage System (“BESS”), land, and interconnection infrastructure. Bidders are responsible for acquiring the land for the proposed Project and will ensure that all necessary land rights, as well as ownership rights in the Project, are assignable to EPE. Although EPE has a preference for EPC proposals, EPE will also consider a long-term Power Purchase Agreement (“PPA”) with a term of no less than thirty years for solar energy that may include a BESS. The proposed Project location may be located either within EPE’s Texas or New Mexico service territories, but preference will be given to projects sited in Texas.

Proposals must include itemized costs or PPA prices for each option with the ratings below. Bidders can choose to submit pricing for only one option.

- 10 MW AC Solar
- 10 MW<sub>AC</sub> Solar with 3MW/4-hour BESS

In the case of an EPC Proposal, the Project will be owned by EPE and EPE intends to take advantage of the price benefit provided by any applicable tax credits effective at the end of 2023. For PPA Proposals, EPE requests terms facilitating the transfer of the Project to EPE as soon as economically reasonable for the Project with a preference given to those transfers occurring on or before year seven of the PPA term. The BESS must be charged by the solar PV facility 100% of the time on an annual basis for the first five years to claim the full value of the federal Investment Tax Credit.

Project must be on-line and generating electricity by May 7, 2024.

### **Eligibility of Sites**

For the purpose of this solicitation, EPE will NOT consider any proposal without a proposed site for the Project to be developed. EPE reserves the right to provide a site to Bidders should it have an acceptable parcel within its portfolio.

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