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TO: ALL BIDDERS

RE: **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL # UCM1065DG**

Addendum "3" is hereby expressly incorporated and made part of the University of California, RFP# UCM1065DG dated October 11, 2013.

ADDENDUM 3

This Addendum 3 makes a change to the RFP and provides answers to questions submitted by bidders. Please review the following information carefully for consideration when preparing your proposal.

Change

Paragraph 4.9, Price Proposal, the second paragraph has been changed to:

"Proposers shall complete and submit as a part of their proposal a Price Proposal Form (Attachment E) for the proposed system for each building as well as a cumulative Price Proposal Form for the entire project with the following exceptions for which separate Price Proposal Forms should be submitted:

1. The University House
2. The Academic Office Annex"

Bidder Questions and University Answers:

1. Can you identify the de rate factors used to determine "Total system efficiency"? Or are the established values by NREL used in PV watts the bench mark?

Answer: Bidders may use NREL default de rate factors. However, UC Merced reserves the right to compare these values with the manufacturer's de rate factors for accuracy.

2. Please provide your definition of "Output Demand"? Are you asking for maximum output?

Answer: It is the amount of KW being produced at any given time. It is similar to the demand consumption except it is "production".

3. Can you be more specific on the type of “design documents”?

Answer: The design documents can consist of whatever documents the bidder may feel are necessary to enable UC Merced to make an educated and fair evaluation of the proposal and reflect the capabilities of the bidder to successfully execute the work. This may include but is not limited to:

- Conceptual Design drawings
- Single line electrical diagram
- System annual electricity output
- A summary of all anticipated approvals that will be required
- Schematic and preliminary designs
- Project implementation and completion schedule
- Product description information
- Equipment details, descriptions, and specifications
- Appendix 2 and 3

4. Can you be more specific to the level of detail the single line electrical diagram are required for the submittals?

Answer: Please refer to the single line diagram of the buildings provided by UC Merced.

5. What is meant by structural engineer certification? Are you requesting the name and license number of the individual stamping the drawings?

Answer: Yes, we are requesting the name and license number of the individual stamping the drawings.

6. Since the Chancellor’s House is off campus, will it awarded and contracted under a separate PPA from the rest of the campus? For projects to be under one PPA, they need to be very similar in location, offtake, term and structure. Otherwise, a separate agreement is needed. Also, if we feel that our best offering focuses solely on the campus buildings, can we opt not to bid on the Chancellor’s House, leaving UCM the opportunity to contract that site with a different firm than works on the campus project?

Answer: RFP # UCM1065DG, Section 3, Paragraph 3.1 states: “Note that the University House (#12) will be issued on separate power purchase and licensing agreements.”

So that it can be determined by the University that having a PV system installed on the house will be beneficial, a separate bid should be provided for the house. If you choose to “No Bid” the house, please note that it is the University’s preference to award all systems to a single provider, if possible.

7. If the Office Annex has to be a 10yr PPA, then it would have to ultimately be contracted separately from the rest of the buildings to be funded as a PPA. Given this building’s size and orientation, it is not likely to offer compelling economics as a stand-alone site. Can bidders elect not to offer a

system on this building if we determine that the economics will not be feasible or attractive for UC-Merced?

Answer: The Academic Office Annex will be a separate PPA if the University chooses to install a PV system on it. In order for the University to make a decision of whether or not to include this building as a candidate for a PV system, it is necessary to have proposals for review and evaluation. If you choose to “No Bid” this building, please note that it is the University’s preference to award all systems to a single provider, if possible.

This concludes the final round of questions and answers.

All other specifications remain unchanged.

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