

**June 16, 2020**

**Notice of Release of Final RFP Documents and Bidder Registration**

Entergy Louisiana, LLC (“ELL”) is posting final documents for the 2020 Request for Proposals for Solar Photovoltaic Resources for Entergy Louisiana, LLC (“2020 ELL Solar RFP”) on the 2020 ELL Solar RFP website, <https://spofossil.entergy.com/ENTRFP/SEND/2020ELLSOLARRFP/index.htm>.

ELL appreciates the diverse questions and comments it received from interested parties. The final 2020 ELL Solar RFP documents reflect consideration of the input received. Changes to draft RFP documents can be seen in the redline version of the final RFP documents posted on the RFP website.

The 2020 ELL Solar RFP is one component of the Action Plan set out in ELL’s 2019 Integrated Resource Plan (“2019 IRP”). After robust stakeholder engagement and analysis, ELL’s 2019 IRP recognized ELL customers’ increasing interest in renewable generation and the improving cost-effectiveness and benefits of renewable solar generation. As such, it set out a plan to evaluate the market for renewable resources by issuing renewable RFPs for the benefit of ELL’s customers. The 2020 ELL Solar RFP is the first step in that plan, and it balances the desire to add cost-effective renewable generation with another important consideration detailed in the 2019 IRP – the need to maintain local reliability in the Amite South planning area.

Since issuing the 2019 IRP, ELL has seen even more interest in renewable generation options, both from its customers and the Louisiana Public Service Commission (“LPSC”). Increasingly, customers are seeking tariff options that would provide them access to the attributes of renewable resources, and ELL is working with customers to develop those options. Recognizing these customer desires, the LPSC recently opened a rulemaking to evaluate renewable tariff options “with a focus on bringing new renewable resources into Louisiana.” ELL’s request for solar resources through the 2020 ELL Solar RFP recognizes these increasing interests.

The 2020 ELL Solar RFP identifies targeted amounts of capacity sought from power purchase agreements (“PPA”) and build-own-transfer agreements. After considering the stakeholder comments and questions, ELL has increased the target aggregate capacity sought by the 2020 ELL Solar RFP to 300 MW and the PPA capacity limit to 150 MW. ELL has set the targeted capacity limit on PPAs as it desires to obtain direct experience with the ownership and operation of solar resources, experience that is expected to provide long-term benefits to ELL customers.

Similarly, the 2020 ELL Solar RFP’s in-service date requirements are intended to ensure that ELL’s customers recognize the benefit of certain tax credits associated with solar resources that might not be available at the same level if a resource is placed in service at a later date.

To register for the 2020 ELL Solar RFP, all Bidders will be required to submit via email a completed Bidder Registration Form and Agreement to the Bid Event Coordinator

([ellrfp@entergy.com](mailto:ellrfp@entergy.com)), copying the IM ([MerrimackIM@merrimackenergy.com](mailto:MerrimackIM@merrimackenergy.com)), by the Bidder Registration Deadline. Bidder Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. CPT on July 6, 2020 and will be available until 5:00 p.m. CPT on July 10, 2020.

Questions can be submitted to the ELL RFP inbox, copying the IM, throughout the Bidder Registration Period.

Thank you for your interest in the 2020 ELL Solar RFP.