Change in Proposal Due Date

Due to the need to clarify the requirements for the Business Enterprise Program Utilization Plan (Attachment MM) as described below, the due date for proposals offered in response to 19-RFP-02 has been extended to 5:00 PM CPT on Monday June 10, 2019. The deadline for the delivery of a draft Phase One Report listed in Section 2.3.1 of the RFP has correspondingly been updated to August 9, 2019.

Business Enterprise Utilization Plan (Attachment MM) Revision

19-RFP-02 contained a statement in Attachment MM stating that “The Agency has not identified specific NGIP [sic] Codes for the purposes of the Utilization Plan Waiver.” The Agency seeks to retract that statement through this update.

As the Utilization Plan Waiver includes a process to contact BEP certified vendors within certain service codes, the Agency has identified the following National Institute of Government Purchasing (“NIGP”) Codes as potentially applicable to 19-RFP-02:

NIGP 91832: Consulting Services (Not Otherwise Classified)
NIGP 91841: Energy Conservation Consulting
NIGP 91849: Finance and Economics Consulting
NIGP 91888: Quality Assurance and Control Consulting
NIGP 91897: Utilities: Gas, Water, Electric Consulting

Additionally, Offerors may utilize BEP certified vendors from other NIGP codes as suitable for individual business models and proposals.

A BEP Certification Directory is available at: https://cms.diversitycompliance.com/.

Additional Responses to Offeror Questions

Two questions and their responses were inadvertently omitted from the response to Offeror questions issued on May 24, 2019.

1) Are there any particular adjustments being considered to the long-term plan in 2019 or issues of concern that should be high priorities for phase 1 of the evaluation?
With the Program having only opened for project applications on May 15, 2019, it is too early for the Agency to have identified specific areas of concern for the Phase One evaluation.

2) For the energy- and unit-cost metrics, is IPA interested in independent measurement and verification of actual production (through on-sites or utility meter data analysis) and/or on-site verification of installation capacity as specified?

A significant portion of projects will be inspected by the Program Administrator (see Section 14.4 of the Vendor Manual available at: https://www.illinoissfa.com/for-vendors/) and those inspections should provide robust verification of system capacity and production. Therefore, evaluation efforts do not need to focus on independent measurement and verification.