

**Illinois Power Agency  
19-RFQ-02  
Responses to Offeror Questions  
April 15, 2019**

1. We request clarification of the RFQ's requirements for the BEP utilization plan and subcontractors.
  - a. Page 9 of the RFQ (section I.15) states, *"Any subsequent RFP solicitation will contain a 20% goal to include businesses owned and controlled by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities in the State's procurement and contracting processes. Failure to submit a utilization plan in response to any subsequent RFP as instructed in such solicitation will render the offer non-responsive."*

Please confirm that Offerors are not required to submit a utilization plan as part of their response to this RFQ and that they will only need to submit a utilization plan as part of their response to any subsequent RFP.

**That is correct. The requirement to submit a utilization plan is not part of the response to this RFQ. It will be a requirement for the subsequent RFP.**

- b. Page 9 of the RFQ (section I.16) states, *"If subcontractors are to be utilized, in preparation to any subsequent RFP, offerors must identify subcontractors with an annual value of more than \$50,000 and the expected amount of money each will receive under the contract."*
      - i. Do Offerors need to include information about subcontractors with an annual value of more than \$50,000 as part of their response to this RFQ?
      - ii. If yes, should Offerors include this information within their Offeror Statement of Qualifications?

**Offerors do not need to include information about subcontractors as part of the response to this RFQ.**

2. As part of the Submittal of Qualifications Check List, Offerors need to indicate whether *"Offeror is submitting a complete and responsive Technical Proposal, Section 2."* Please confirm that the "Technical Proposal" only requires responses to the following items:
  - 2.4 Offeror Qualifications
  - 2.5 Offeror Statement of Qualifications
  - Signature of Authorized Representative

**That is correct. The Technical Proposal only consists of responses to those sections. In addition to those items, Offerors should submit a copy of the completed Section 1 checklist.**

3. We are currently evaluating energy efficiency programs for a public utility in Illinois. Would this be considered a conflict of interest?

**No, it would not be considered a conflict of interest.**

4. Due to scheduling issues, we were unfortunately unable to attend the RFQ Offerors Conference Call on April 11th. Does this disqualify our firm from submitting a RFQ for consideration?

**No, it does not disqualify an Offeror from submitting a response to the RFQ.**