

The Connecticut Light and Power Company dba Eversource Energy

Summary Report for the Year 2 Shared Clean Energy Facility (“SCEF”) Program

Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 16-244z(a)(1)(C) and Order Nos. 4 and 5 of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority’s (“the “Authority” or “PURA”) April 28, 2021 Decision in Docket No. 19-07-01RE02 (the “Decision”), Eversource Energy (“Eversource”) hereby submits its narrative summary of the Year 2 Shared Clean Energy Facility (“SCEF”) Program for the approval of 20 year agreements for the purchase of energy and Class I renewable energy credits (“RECs”) from new renewable energy projects in Connecticut.

Eversource conducted a competitive solicitation from April 30, 2021 to June 14, 2021 for energy and RECs from Class I renewable energy projects totaling 20 megawatts, resulting in the following commitments:

Total Projected Annual Payments to Subscriber Organizations: \$4,132,512.41

Total Projected Annual Payments to Subscribers: \$1,107,029.10

Total Projected 20-Year Payments to Subscriber Organizations: \$82,650,248.16

Total Projected 20-Year Payments to Subscribers: \$22,140,582.00

This Summary Report for the Year 2 SCEF Program outlines the competitive procurement process and results of the same for selected SCEF projects.

1. The Procurement was Conducted in Compliance with the PURA-Approved Year 2 Modified Program Requirements, Year 2 RFP, and Final Decision in Docket No. 19-07-01RE02 dated April 28, 2021.

a. Overview of Procurement Process and Schedule

Eversource complied with the schedule for the RFP set forth below:

TABLE 1 – RFP Schedule

Action Item	Date
Release of RFP	April 30, 2021
Bidders Conference – Webinar Only	May 12, 2021

Deadline for Submission of Questions	May 18, 2021
Bid Forms Due	June 14, 2021 by 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Prevailing Time “EPT”), at which time the Pricing shall become firm, irrevocable and binding.
Selection and Notification of Winning Bidders	On or about July 31, 2021
Tariff Terms Agreement Execution	After Selection and Notification of Winning Bidders. Bidders will have to return partially executed Tariff Terms Agreements by the due date established by the Companies which is expected to be approximately 10 businesses days after selection and notification of winning bidders.
Subsequent Rounds of Selection and Notification of Winning Bidders	Approximately 5 business days after Tariff Terms Agreement Execution date (date on which executed Tariff Terms Agreement is due to the EDC for each round of selection). After each Tariff Terms Agreement Execution Date, each EDC will re-evaluate it’s available MWs and reallocate to the next project(s) in the queue as necessary and notify selected Bidders accordingly. This process will continue until the earlier of 1) all available MWs are allocated, or 2) November 1, 2021, to allow enough time for the EDCs to submit “...bids selected after July 1 by January 1 of the next calendar year.” ¹
Tariff Terms Agreement(s) Filed with PURA for review and approval	Within two weeks following the completion of the annual Procurement process.
Commencement of Service	Within three calendar years from the date of PURA approval of the Tariff Terms Agreement(s)

b. Overview of Final Procurement Results

Eversource received 26 completed Bids by the deadline of 1:00 PM (Eastern Prevailing Time “EPT”). These Bids were comprised of 20 Solar projects and 6 Fuel Cell projects.

Some Bids were disqualified by either Eversource, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“DEEP”), or both Eversource and DEEP. Disqualified Bids are further explained below in accordance with Order No. 5 in PURA’s April 28, 2021 Decision in Docket No. 19-07-01RE02 which states in relevant part:

¹ DOC. NO. 19-07-01, ORDER NO. 4.

“The Summary Report shall also include a section in the narrative summary that clearly articulates how any disqualified bids met the following criteria: 1) there is a violation of clear program rules; 2) disqualification is not in conflict with the objectives of the program; and 3) disqualification does not represent an unnecessary barrier to entry.”

Bid(s) Disqualified by Eversource:

Project ID SCEF2-7786, Project Name Kacerguis_Farm was disqualified by Eversource for failure to provide the Bid Certification Form to either Eversource or DEEP at the time of Bid submission. In accordance with Section 5.3 of the Modified SCEF Program Requirements², as well as Sections 2.3.2³ and 2.4.1⁴ of the Year 2 Request for Proposals for the Shared Clean Energy Program, the Bid Certification Form is mandatory and, “Bids that do not include a complete and executed Bid Certification Form, including all required signatures, and the appropriate notary, will not be considered.” The disqualification of this Bid meets all three of the above criteria in the following manner:

1. There is a violation of clear program rules, notably Section 5.3 of the Modified SCEF Program Requirements, as well as Sections 2.3.2 and 2.4.1 of the Year 2 Request for Proposals for the Shared Clean Energy Program.
2. Disqualification is not in conflict with the objectives of the program, which, as noted in the Authority’s Decision, dated December 18, 2019, in Docket No. 19-07-01, are as follows:

“(1) to annually and cost-effectively allocate up to 25 megawatts to SCEFs, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-244x; and (2) to provide savings to specific categories of customers, particularly customers with low- to moderate-income (LMI), low-income service organizations, and customers who reside in environmental justice communities.”

Disqualification of this Bid does not prohibit Eversource from meeting either of these two objectives.

3. Disqualification does not represent an unnecessary barrier to entry, because without the Bid Certification Form, Eversource is not able to verify that the Bidder had the authority to submit the Bid, nor proof that the Bidder had site control at the time of Bid submission, nor certification of any of the other statements outlined in the Bid Certification Form.

² “...each Bidder must submit a Bid Certification Form...”

³ “...In addition to completion of the Bid Form, Bidders must provide a Bid Certification Form...”

⁴ “Bid Certification Form”. This form is mandatory. Every Bid must be accompanied by an executed Bid Certification Form, which must contain three signatures, one by the Bidder, one by the Subscriber Organization, and one by the owner of the project site. The Bid Certification Form is an integral part of the Bid, and Bids that do not include a complete and executed Bid Certification Form, including all required signatures, and the appropriate notary, will not be considered. Each Company’s website contains a Bid Certification Form with the Company-specific instructions as to how such form is to be submitted.”

Bid(s) Disqualified by DEEP:

Eversource received notice from DEEP on July 30, 2021 that the following Bids had been notified of disqualification:

Project ID	Project Name
SCEF2-7786	Kacerguis_Farm
SCEF2-7707	GCE_Zachem_SCEF
SCEF2-7705	GCE_DURHAM_SCEF
SCEF2-7704	24_Middle_Solar
SCEF2-7852	CandlewoodSolar
SCEF2-7700	GCE_Haddam_SCEF
SCEF2-7822	Torrington
SCEF2-7863	Bound_Line_Road

Eversource defers to DEEP regarding further explanation of these disqualifications as they pertain to DEEP's requirements including, but not limited to, the content in Appendix B.

Executed Agreements:

Eversource's selection group of 6 Projects is comprised of the following:

- i. Solar PV (including Fixed Tilt and Single Axis technologies): 5 projects totaling 19 MW, \$3,251,402.67 in annual payments to Subscriber Organizations and \$910,703.40 in annual payments to Subscribers; and
- j. Fuel Cells: 1 project totaling 1 MW, \$881,109.74 in annual payments to Subscriber Organizations and \$196,325.70 in annual payments to Subscribers.

All of the Bidders for the 6 Projects in Eversource's selection group have executed the Tariff Terms Agreement and have provided Development Period Security.

c. List of Attachments

Below is a list of attachments to this Summary Report for the Year 2 SCEF Program. The attachments include information that is responsive to guidance provided by Authority staff regarding information needed in connection with the Authority's review and approval of the selected Tariff Terms Agreements.

Attachment A: Public copies of selected SCEF Subscriber Organization Tariff Terms Agreements

Attachment B: Public summary of Bids received and selected