



American Electric Power Service Corporation
as agent for
Appalachian Power Company

Request for Proposals
Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)

from Qualified Bidders

Totaling up to 300 MW_{ac} of nameplate rated

Solar Energy Resources, Wind Energy Resources,
and/or Hydroelectric Resources

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Web Address: <https://www.appalachianpower.com/rfp>



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1. Background

- 1.1. Appalachian Power Company (APCo, Appalachian Power, or Company) is pursuing additional renewable resources via three Requests for Proposals (RFPs), as described in Table 1 below.

TABLE 1

RFP	Solicitation Details
PSA	Wind and solar RFP for up to 800 MW via one or more purchase and sale agreements (PSAs) for purchase of 100% equity interest in a project company will be issued simultaneously.
PPA	RFP for up to 300 MW of energy, capacity, and environmental attributes from wind, solar, and hydro generating resources via one or more power purchase agreements (PPA).
REC	RFP for renewable energy certificates (RECs) that qualify under Virginia's RPS will be issued simultaneously.

This RFP is associated with the PPA RFP only.

2. Introduction

- 2.1. American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC) and Appalachian Power Company are subsidiaries of American Electric Power Company, Inc. (AEP). AEPSC is administering this RFP on behalf of APCo. Each legal entity submitting, or seeking to submit, a proposal in response to this RFP is referred to as a "Bidder." Affiliates of AEP and APCo (Affiliate) are not permitted to participate in this RFP as a Bidder.

Appalachian Power serves about 1.1 million customers in West Virginia, Virginia, and Tennessee. APCo is headquartered in Charleston, W.Va., with additional regulatory and external affairs offices in Roanoke and Richmond, Va.

Our team at American Electric Power (Nasdaq: AEP) is committed to improving our customers' lives with reliable, affordable power. We are investing \$78 billion from 2026 through 2030 to enhance service for customers and support the growing energy needs of our communities. Our nearly 18,000 employees operate and maintain the nation's largest electric transmission system with approximately 40,000 line miles, along with more than 252,000 miles of distribution lines to deliver energy to 5.6 million customers in 11 states. AEP also is one of the nation's largest electricity producers with approximately 32,000 megawatts of diverse generating capacity. We are focused on safety and operational excellence, creating value for our stakeholders and bringing opportunity to our service territory through economic development and community engagement. Our family of companies includes AEP Ohio, AEP Texas, Appalachian Power (in Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee), Indiana Michigan Power, Kentucky Power, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Company (in Arkansas, Louisiana, east Texas and the Texas Panhandle). AEP also owns AEP Energy, which provides innovative competitive energy solutions nationwide. AEP is headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. For more information, visit aep.com.

APCo Service Territory



3. RFP Overview

- 3.1. APCo has issued this RFP to support its requirement to provide its customers with carbon-free generation, consistent with the requirements of the Virginia Clean Economy Act (VCEA) for a Phase I utility. APCo is required to meet annual targets that reach 100% by 2050. APCo intends to meet its obligations through a portfolio of projects utilizing different ownership models. This RFP is for Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with facilities meeting the definition of a Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) eligible source contained in Section 56-585.5 of the Virginia Code (Eligible Renewable Resources) that are physically located in the PJM Interconnection, LLC Region (e.g., interconnected to the PJM Transmission system) or interconnected to APCo's distribution electrical system (APCo System).
- 3.2. APCo is requesting Proposals of up to 300 MW of nameplate rated Solar, Wind, and Hydroelectric Generating Resources (Solar Project, Wind Project, Hydro Project). Depending on the results of the RFP, the Company may pursue additional resources beyond 300 MW. The minimum nameplate rated bid size for this RFP is 5 MWac for New Solar Projects, 20 MW for Hydro Projects, and 50 MW for Wind Projects and Operating Solar Projects.
- 3.3. This RFP seeks PPAs for purchase of Renewable Energy Products (Energy, Capacity, Environmental Attributes, and Ancillary Services) (including Renewable Energy Certificates) from Solar, Wind, and/or Hydro Energy Resources. APCo will not consider proposals in this RFP that do not meet these criteria. Proposals for PSA and REC-only products should be submitted separately into the Company's PSA and REC RFPs (see Section 1).

- 3.4. Affiliates of AEP and APCo may not participate in this RFP.
- 3.5. APCo may execute one or more Solar, Hydro, and/or Wind Project PPAs as a result of this RFP.
- 3.6. Any Project(s) with which APCo moves forward as a result of this RFP will be subject to APCo's receipt of the necessary regulatory approvals, including but not limited to, a prudence determination from the Virginia State Corporation Commission consistent with §56.585.1:4.H of the Code of Virginia and Commission precedent.
- 3.7. All questions regarding this RFP should be emailed to: APCo2026RFP@aep.com

APCo will post a list of the non-confidential "Questions and Answers" on its RFP website <https://www.appalachianpower.com/rfp> on a weekly basis following the issuance of the RFP until the Proposal Due Date.

- 3.8. This RFP is not a commitment by the Company to acquire any Project and it does not bind the Company or its Affiliates in any manner. The Company in its sole discretion will determine which Bidders, if any, it wishes to engage in negotiations with that may lead to PPAs with one or more selected Projects.

4. Product Description and Requirements

- 4.1. Product: The Company is seeking to purchase the bundled Renewable Energy Products from a low-cost Project under a PPA. Renewable Energy Products shall include:
 - 4.1.1. Energy
 - 4.1.2. Capacity
 - 4.1.3. Environmental Attributes (including RECs)
 - 4.1.4. Ancillary Services (if available)
- 4.2. Expected Commercial Operation Date (COD): The Company is pursuing Solar and Wind Projects that can achieve an Expected COD no later than 12/31/2029, and is pursuing Hydro Projects that can achieve an Expected COD no later than 12/31/2030.
- 4.3. Term: For New projects, the PPA Term must be 20 or 30 years. For Operating projects, the required Term is 10 years. Bidders may also propose alternative Terms in addition to these required Terms.
- 4.4. Option to Purchase: Proposals may include an option for APCo to purchase the Project at fair market value at the end of the PPA Term.
- 4.5. Delivery Period: The Delivery Period shall commence no later than 01/01/30 for Solar and Wind Projects, and no later than 01/01/31 for Hydro Projects, and continue for the length of the Term.
- 4.6. Size: This PPA RFP is seeking up to 300 MWac nameplate rated Solar, Hydro, and/or Wind generation resources. The minimum acceptable Project size is 5 MWac for New Solar Projects, 20 MWac for Hydro Projects, and 50 MWac for Wind Projects and

Operating Solar Projects.

- 4.7. Location: Projects must be physically located in the PJM Interconnection, LLC Region (e.g., interconnected to the PJM Transmission system) or interconnected to the APCo System. The interconnection point with the PJM transmission system or the APCo Distribution System will be the Point of Delivery.
- 4.8. Local Goods & Services: APCo encourages the use of local goods or services sourced, in whole or in part, from one or more Virginia or West Virginia businesses in the construction and/or operation of the Project. The bidder should identify these Virginia or West Virginia resources in its proposal.
- 4.9. Environmental Justice: The project shall not adversely impact any goal established by the Virginia Environmental Justice Act (Va. Code §§ 2.2-234, et. seq.).
- 4.10. Project Development:
- 4.10.1. Bidder must have established substantial site control of the proposed Project. Site control must be in the form of direct ownership, land lease, land lease option or easement. A letter of intent will not be an acceptable form of demonstrated site control.
 - 4.10.2. Construction Labor: APCo prefers that Bidders use union labor with an affiliation to the Building and Construction Trade Unions for the site preparation and construction of the Project. Proposals for non-union labor will be accepted.
- 4.11. Interconnection:
- 4.11.1. Projects must be interconnected to PJM and have either 1) an executed Generator Interconnection Agreement (GIA) or Interconnection Service Agreement (ISA), 2) a PJM interconnection queue position eligible for the PJM “fast lane” with a completed PJM System Impact Study, or 3) a completed Phase II Study which remains active in the PJM queue. A copy of the GIA, ISA, System Impact Study, or Phase II Study must be included with the Bidder’s Proposal.
- OR
- 4.11.2. Projects must be interconnected to the APCo Distribution System and must have a completed Distribution Impact Study from the APCo Distribution Planning Group prior to the Proposal Due Date. In addition, the application for the Distribution Impact Study shall have a utility date and time- stamp no later than April 1, 2025, as detailed in Virginia’s Administrative Code Section 20VAC5-314-50-A. More information can be found via the following link:
[Chapter 314 - Regulations Governing Interconnection of Small Electrical Generators and Storage](#)
 - 4.11.3. If Bidder is pursuing interconnection to the APCo System only, Bidder must provide documentation that it is not required by the PJM Rules to interconnect with PJM due to backfeed into PJM or as otherwise required by PJM.

- 4.11.4. Bidders are responsible for following the established policies and procedures that are in effect regarding facility interconnection and operation with the interconnecting utility and PJM.
- 4.11.5. The Bidder is responsible for all costs associated with transmission interconnections and system upgrades as required by the interconnecting utility and PJM.

5. Bid Price and Structure

- 5.1. The Bid Price must be for a bundled Renewable Energy Product as described in Section 4.1.
- 5.2. The Bid Price shall be on an “as-available” \$/MWh basis with no separate capacity payment.
- 5.3. All-in Price. Pricing must include all capital costs, fixed and variable O&M costs, taxes and any other costs associated with delivering the full contracted energy output of the facility to the bid-specified Point of Delivery.
- 5.4. Bid Price must be an “all-in” around-the-clock Price (\$/MWh) for the entire term of the agreement commencing no later than 01/01/30 for Solar and Wind Projects, and no later than 01/01/31 for Hydro Projects.
- 5.5. The Bid Price must be a fixed, non-escalated price for the term of the PPA.
- 5.6. Proposals must include a 20- or 30-year Term for New projects, and a 10-year Term for Operating projects. Additionally, Bidders may include proposals with alternate Terms.
- 5.7. Proposals may include an option for the Company to purchase the Project at fair market value at the end of the Term.
- 5.8. The Company will pay for Renewable Energy Products prior to the Delivery Period (Section 4.5) at the Real-Time Locational Marginal Price (\$/MWh) at the Point of Delivery less any associated PJM charges.
- 5.9. All costs associated with distribution and/or transmission interconnection (as applicable) and interconnection facilities required for the Project, including any system upgrades, as required by PJM up to the Point of Delivery, shall be included in the Bidder’s pricing where appropriate under current FERC orders and rulings.
- 5.10. The Bid Price shall include any costs associated with meeting the credit requirements stated in the Form PPA Agreement.
- 5.11. Associated Attributes - For purposes of this solicitation, the sale of Renewable Energy Products to APCo under the long term PPA includes the transfer of all capacity, ancillary services (if any), and environmental attributes including associated renewable energy

certificates (RECs) and any other current or future environmental attributes, including any greenhouse gas emission reductions associated with the quantity contracted from the facility from the project for the term of the PPA.

- 5.12. Economic Curtailments – APCo will not reimburse Seller for lost PTCs associated with curtailments.
- 5.13. Prices must be firm, representing best and final bid. Proposals and bid pricing must be valid for at least 150 days after the Proposal Due Date.
- 5.14. The Bidder must intend to develop, construct, own, and operate the Project throughout the Term of the PPA. Proposals for Projects that are intended to be marketed or sold after shortlist, selection, or contract execution will not be considered.

6. RFP Schedule

The schedule and deadlines set out in this section apply to this RFP. APCo reserves the right to revise this schedule at any time and at its sole discretion.

RFP Issued	05/26/26
Proposal Due Date	07/15/26 (3 p.m. EST)
Final Project Selection	10/15/26
Contract Execution	By 04/16/27
Submit Petition to State Regulatory Commissions for Approval	Within 90 Days of Contract Execution
Receipt of Regulatory Approval Order(s)	~4 to 7 Months After Submission to Commissions for Approval
Notice to Proceed (NTP)	By 02/01/28
Commercial Operation (Wind, Solar)	By 12/31/29
Commercial Operation (Hydro)	By 12/31/30

7. Proposal Submission

- 7.1. Bidders will be required to sign a Confidentiality Agreement (CA) prior to receiving detailed instructions on how to access the following documents and submit Proposals:
 - Tax Credit Information Form, Environmental Form, PermittingPlan_2026 spreadsheet, and Electronic Project Summary Form (Appendix B)
 - Form PPA (Appendix E)
 - EnergyInputSheet_2026.xls (Appendix G)
- 7.2. Bidder should request APCo’s Form CA by emailing (APCo2026RFP@aep.com) and including the following documentation:
 - Supporting documentation demonstrating Bidder’s experience in developing, engineering, procuring equipment for, constructing, commissioning, and

operating projects of the same resource type as the Project being proposed, in the United States or Canada, with a size comparable to that of the Bidder's Project.

- Verification of Site Control as required by Section 4.10.1.
 - Executed GIA/ISA, completed Phase III Study, and/or completed Phase II Study as required by Section 4.11.1 or has an existing APCo distribution interconnection application (submitted no later than April 1, 2025) with the APCo Distribution Planning Group as required by Section 4.11.2.
- 7.3. Proposals must be complete in all material respects and shall be submitted electronically no later than 3 p.m. EST on the Proposal Due Date via a SharePoint site. Detailed instructions on how to submit Proposals will be provided upon signing a CA.
- 7.4. The Company reserves the right to solicit additional proposals, if it deems necessary to do so, and the right to submit additional information requests to Bidders during the Proposal evaluation process.
- 7.5. Proposals and bid pricing must be valid for at least 150 days after the Proposal Due Date at which time Proposals shall expire unless the Bidder has been notified that its Proposal has been included in the Final Project Selection.

8. Proposal Content

Bidders are encouraged to provide as much information as possible to aid in the evaluation of the Proposal. Each Proposal should be as comprehensive as possible to enable the Company to make a definitive and final evaluation of the Proposal and its benefits to customers without further contact with the Bidder. The Bidder should also provide any additional information the Bidder deems necessary or useful to the Company.

Bidders must submit the following information for each Proposal. All electronic versions of the Appendices shall be uploaded to the designated folders in the SharePoint site.

- 8.1. A completed Proposal Content Check Sheet (Appendix A).
- 8.2. An executive summary of the Project's characteristics and milestone schedule, including any unique aspects and benefits.
- 8.3. A completed Project Summary (Appendix B), including the Electronic Project Summary Form (link to form in the SharePoint site), with the following attachments:
 - PTC/ITC Strategy: Complete the separate Tax Credit Information Form included in Appendix B.
 - Interconnection Studies: Include a copy of all completed interconnection studies (i.e., System Impact Study, Distribution Impact Study, Facilities Study, etc.)
 - Site Layout: Include a diagram or map identifying the Project boundary with

anticipated placement of major equipment and other project facilities, including transmission layouts and point of interconnection. Also, **include the .KMZ files** of the Site Layout that includes the proposed site plan, site boundaries, exclusion areas, collection lines, gen-tie, wind turbine locations (as applicable), etc.

- Site Control Documents: Include a copy of all leases, easements or other ownership documentation including to the point of interconnection (Section 4.10.1).
 - Permitting Plan: Attach a comprehensive permit matrix that lists and describes all required permits, including, but not limited to, Federal (USFWS, FAA), State, County, City, etc., using the Company’s “PermittingPlan_2026” spreadsheet.
 - Environmental Form & Environmental Report Summary: Complete the separate Environmental Form included in Appendix B and attach a summary of all environmental studies, reports and agency meetings associated with the Project.
 - Bidder’s Experience: Bidder must provide documentation demonstrating Bidder has substantial experience in developing, engineering, procuring equipment for, constructing, and commissioning projects of the same resource type as the Project being proposed, in the United States or Canada, with a size comparable to that of the proposed Project. Bidder must also demonstrate at least five (5) years of experience in operating and maintaining projects of the same resource type and of comparable size in the United States or Canada, in compliance with applicable legal and operational requirements, including any applicable RTO/ISO requirements.
- 8.4. A completed Proposal Bid Pricing (Appendix C).
- 8.5. A completed Bidder’s Credit-Related Information and Bidder Profile (Appendix D), which shall include:
- The identity of all persons and entities that have a direct or indirect ownership interest in the Project.
 - Copies of the Annual Reports for the three most recent fiscal years and quarterly reports for the most recent quarter ended, if available.
 - At least three third-party references.
- 8.6. Provide (i) an affirmative statement that Bidder is taking no exception to the Form of Power Purchase Agreement provided pursuant to this RFP or (ii) a comprehensive list of exceptions to the terms and conditions contained in the applicable Form PPA (Appendix E).
- 8.7. Bidder shall submit a Financing Plan on a separate form. Bidders must provide a proposed financing plan, including any letters of support, previous correspondence with banks and/or lenders intending to provide financing for the project. Also provide the proposed on-going debt-equity ratio to be carried by the project during construction and operation (Appendix F).
- 8.8. A completed Production Profile (Appendix G).

8.9. A completed Appendix H, which must include:

- Use of Local Goods & Services: Plan for use of local goods or services sourced, in whole or in part, from one or more Virginia or West Virginia businesses in the construction and/or operation of the Project. The bidder should identify these Virginia or West Virginia resources in its Proposal. (Section 4.8)
- Environmental Justice: A description of environmental justice factors by the Environmental Justice Act (Virginia Code §§ 2.2-234, et. seq.) that are relevant to the Project. If an Environmental Justice or Fenceline community is potentially affected by the Project, list the steps taken by the Project regarding the Commonwealth of Virginia's environmental justice policy.

9. Proposal Evaluation

Proposals must include all applicable content requirements as described in Section 8. APCo will consider bids that are reliable, feasible and represent the reasonable cost means of satisfying the requirements of this RFP. The Evaluation Process, which includes three main phases, is central to the success of APCo's RFP process.

Section 9.1: Eligibility and Threshold Requirements

Section 9.2: Detailed Analysis

Section 9.3: Final Project Selection

9.1. Eligibility and Threshold Requirements: The Company will undertake a preliminary screening of each Proposal to determine if the Proposal is eligible to proceed to the Detailed Analysis phase. Proposals must include all applicable content requirements as described in Section 8, and Bidders and their associated Proposals must satisfy the following Eligibility and Threshold Requirements:

- 9.1.1. Proposal must be for a Power Purchase Agreement and include the Renewable Energy Products from a Solar, Wind, or Hydro energy resource. (Section 4.1).
- 9.1.2. Solar and Wind Projects must have an expected COD no later than 12/31/2029. Hydro Projects must have an expected COD no later than 12/31/2030 (Section 4.2).
- 9.1.3. Projects must have a minimum nameplate rating of 5 MWac for New Solar Projects, 20 MWac for Hydro Projects, and 50 MWac for Wind Projects and Operating Solar Projects (Section 4.6).
- 9.1.4. Projects must be physically located in the PJM Region (e.g., interconnected to the PJM Transmission system) or interconnected to the APCo System (Section 4.7).
- 9.1.5. Bidder must have established substantial Site Control (Section 4.10.1).

- 9.1.6. Projects must be interconnected to PJM and have either 1) an executed Generator Interconnection Agreement (GIA) or Interconnection Service Agreement (ISA), 2) a PJM interconnection queue position eligible for the PJM “fast lane” with a completed PJM System Impact Study, 3) a completed Phase II Study which remains active in the PJM queue (4.11.1.), or 5) submitted the application for the Distribution Impact Study no later than April 1, 2025, and received a completed APCo Distribution Impact Study prior to the Proposal Due Date (4.11.2.). A copy of the GIA, ISA, System Impact Study, and/or Phase II Study must be included with the Bidder’s Proposal.
- 9.1.7. Bidder must provide a non-escalated Bid Price in the required format (\$/MWh) (Section 5.5).
- 9.1.8. Proposals must provide a Bid Price for a 20- or 30-year Term for New projects, or a 10-year Term for Operating projects (Section 5.6).
- 9.1.9. Bidder must include requested financial information (Appendix D) so that the Company can conduct a financial wherewithal assessment. This includes Annual Reports for the three most recent fiscal years and quarterly reports for the most recent quarter ended. The Proposal price shall include any costs associated with meeting the PPA credit requirements (Section 5.10).
- 9.1.10. Bidder must intend to develop, construct, own, and operate the Project throughout the Term of the PPA, and Proposals for Projects that are intended to be marketed or sold after shortlist, selection, or contract execution will not be considered (Section 5.14).
- 9.1.11. Bidder shall have completed the development, engineering, equipment procurement, construction, and commissioning of a project of the same resource type as the Bidder’s Project, in the United States or Canada, of comparable size, and have demonstrated appropriate operating experience (Section 8.3).
- 9.1.12. Bidder’s exceptions to the Form PPA, considered individually or in the aggregate, are minimally acceptable to the Company as a basis for further discussions (Section 8.6). Prior agreement by AEP in previous negotiations does not constitute acceptance of an exception.
- 9.1.13. Bidder must address Environmental Justice requirements (Section 8.9).
- 9.1.14. Bidder must provide confirmation in Appendix B that bid price reflects that APCo will not reimburse Seller for lost Production Tax Credits associated with Curtailments of the Facility (Section 5.12).
- 9.1.15. The Company reserves the right to reject any Proposal based on permitting concerns, including where any required local permit is under appeal, in

material contention, or subject to legal challenge, or where the Company determines, in its sole discretion, that issuance of any such permit is unlikely or unreasonably delayed.

- 9.1.16. The Company reserves the right to reject any Proposal that proceeds to the Detailed Analysis phase, but which is subsequently determined by the Company not to satisfy the Eligibility and Threshold Requirements, the Proposal Content requirements in Section 8, or the Bid Price and Structure requirements in Section 5.
- 9.2. Detailed Analysis: Proposals meeting the Eligibility and Threshold Requirements in Section 9.1 will move to the Detailed Analysis phase, which is comprised of the Economic Analysis and the Non-Price Factor Analysis set forth below.

- 9.2.1. Economic Analysis: The Economic Analysis will include the calculation of the Value to Cost (V/C) Ratio. Additional details with supporting definitions are outlined below.

Total Cost: The Company will determine the present value of the costs of each qualifying Proposal. Total Costs will be evaluated based on the PPA contract's demand charges, energy charges, and any other applicable charges. Other costs may be included based on the Company's discretion to appropriately evaluate each Proposal to ensure the Company is comparing all qualifying Proposals on an equivalent basis.

Total Value: The Company will determine the present value of all the value streams of each qualifying Proposal. The value streams include the expected PJM revenues for the Proposal's energy and ancillary services, the expected value of renewable energy certificates (RECs), and capacity value. Additionally, other value streams and financial metrics may be included based on the Company's discretion to appropriately evaluate each Proposal to ensure the Company is comparing all qualifying Proposals on an equivalent basis.

Transmission and Congestion Costs: Transmission and Congestion Costs will be determined by the Company's transmission screening analysis. The transmission screening analysis will evaluate (i) transmission facilities cost and the network upgrade cost allocated to the Proposal, (ii) expected cost of transmission congestion and losses to the APCo load zone and (iii) cost of deliverability and curtailment risk mitigation that the Company calculates to ensure that the resources can be designated as firm resources to meet Company's capacity obligations. Transmission and Congestion Costs will be included in Total Cost calculations.

- 9.2.2. Non-Price Factor Analysis: The Non-Price Factor Analysis will be comprised of the following:

- 9.2.2.1. Project's (including associated transmission and interconnection facilities) impact on wildlife, the environment and other natural and cultural resources.
 - 9.2.2.2. Bidder's ability to meet contractual credit requirements through the review of recent financial statements, ability to post collateral and raise capital, and any other relevant financial information including current credit ratings will also be assessed.
 - 9.2.2.3. Bidder's experience in developing similar projects as included in the Proposal as well as Bidder's operating history of similar generation facilities.
 - 9.2.2.4. Status of interconnection process with PJM or APCo distribution, as applicable.
 - 9.2.2.5. Development status of the Project, including, but not limited to, site control and permitting.
 - 9.2.2.6. Bidder's exceptions to the Form PPA. The Company will review the exceptions the Bidder proposed to the Company's form agreement with a focus on risks or additional costs to the Company. Prior agreement by AEP in previous negotiations does not constitute acceptance of an exception.
 - 9.2.2.7. Project's (including associated transmission and interconnection facilities) impact on Environmental Justice and Fenceline communities.
 - 9.2.2.8. Community relations and economic development considerations.
- 9.3. Final Project Selection: APCo will consider bids that are reliable, feasible and represent a reasonable cost means of satisfying the requirements of this RFP. Based on the results of the Detailed Analysis described above, the Company will determine which Projects will be included in the Final Project Selection. The Company will notify Bidders whether or not their Proposal has been selected and negotiation of definitive agreements will commence with Bidders whose Proposals have been selected.

10. Reservation of Rights

A Proposal will be deemed accepted only when the Company and the successful Bidder have executed definitive agreements for the Company's purchase of Renewable Energy Products from the Project. The Company has no obligation to accept any Proposal, whether the stated price in such Proposal is the lowest price offered. The Company may reject any Proposal in its sole discretion and without any obligation to disclose the reason or reasons for rejection.

By participating in the RFP process, each Bidder agrees that any and all information

furnished by or on behalf of the Company in connection with the RFP is provided without any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the usefulness, accuracy, or completeness of such information, and neither the Company nor its Affiliates nor any of their personnel or representatives shall have any liability to any bidder or its personnel or representatives relating to or arising from the use of or reliance upon any such information or any errors or omissions therein.

The Company reserves the right to modify or withdraw this RFP, to negotiate with any and all qualified Bidders to resolve any and all technical or contractual issues, or to reject any or all Proposals and to terminate negotiations with any Bidder at any time in its sole discretion. The Company reserves the right, at any time, without prior notice and without specifying any reason and, in its sole discretion, to (a) cancel, modify or withdraw this RFP, reject any and all Proposals, and terminate negotiations at any time during the RFP process; (b) discuss with a Bidder and its advisors the terms of any Proposal and obtain clarification from the Bidder and its advisors concerning the Proposal; (c) consider all Proposals to be the property of the Company, subject to the provisions of this RFP relating to confidentiality and any confidentiality agreement executed in connection with this RFP, and destroy or archive any information or materials developed by or submitted to the Company in this RFP; (d) request from a Bidder information that is not explicitly detailed in this RFP, but which may be useful for evaluation of that Bidder's Proposal; (e) determine which Proposals to accept, favor, pursue or reject; (f) reject any Proposals that are not complete or contain irregularities, or waive irregularities in any Proposal that is submitted; (g) accept Proposals that do not provide the lowest evaluated cost; (h) determine which Bidders are allowed to participate in the RFP, including disqualifying a Bidder due to a change in the qualifications of the Bidder or in the event that the Company determines that the Bidder's participation in the RFP has failed to conform to the requirements of the RFP; (i) conduct negotiations with any or all Bidders or other persons or with no Bidders or other persons; (j) execute one or more definitive agreements with any Bidder, and (k) utilize a Bidder's completed Appendices and any supplemental information submitted by the Bidder in any its regulatory filings.

11. Confidentiality

APCo will take reasonable precautions and use reasonable efforts to maintain the confidentiality of all bids submitted. Bidders should clearly identify each page of information considered to be confidential or proprietary. APCo reserves the right to release any proposals to agents or consultants for purposes of proposal evaluation. APCo's disclosure policies and standards will automatically bind such agents or consultants. Regardless of the confidentiality, all such information may be subject to review by or in proceedings before the appropriate state authority, or any other governmental authority or judicial body with jurisdiction relating to these matters and may be subject to legal discovery. Under such circumstances, APCo and AEPSC will make reasonable efforts to protect Bidder's confidential information.

12. Bidder's Responsibilities

12.1. It is the Bidder's responsibility to submit all requested material by the deadlines specified in this RFP.

- 12.2. The Bidder should make its proposal as complete and comprehensive as possible so that APCo may make a definitive and final evaluation of the proposal's benefits to its customers without further contact with the Bidder.
- 12.3. Bidders are responsible for the timely completion of the project and are required to submit proof of their financial and technical wherewithal to ensure the successful completion of the project.
- 12.4. The Bidder will be responsible for any expenses Bidder incurs in connection with the preparation and submission of a Proposal and/or any subsequent negotiations regarding a Proposal in response this RFP. APCo will not reimburse Bidders for their expenses under any circumstances, regardless of whether the RFP process proceeds to a successful conclusion or is abandoned by APCo at its sole discretion.

13. Contacts

General RFP Questions: All correspondence and questions regarding this RFP, with the exception of interconnection-related questions, should be directed to:

APCo2026RFP@aep.com

PJM Interconnection: All correspondence and questions regarding the PJM Interconnection process can be found at:

[PJM Interconnection](#)

APCo Distribution Interconnection: All correspondence and questions regarding interconnection to the APCo System should be directed to:

APCoDGCoordinator@aep.com

Appendix A

Proposal Content Check Sheet

Section	Item	Completed
8.2	Executive Summary	
8.3	Appendix B (Project Summary)	
	- Completed Electronic Project Summary Form (link in SharePoint Site)	
	- Company & General Project Information	
	- Solar, Wind, and/or Hydro Project Information	
	- Interconnection (PJM or APCo Distribution)	
	- Site Information	
	- Permits	
	- Preliminary Site Questions	
	<u>Attachments Required:</u>	
	- Tax Credit Information Form	
	- Interconnection Studies	
	- Site Layout	
	- Site Control Documents	
	- PermittingPlan_2026 spreadsheet	
- Environmental Form & Environmental Report Summary		
- Bidder Projects Completed		
8.4	Appendix C (Proposal Bid Pricing)	
8.5	Appendix D (Bidder's Credit Related-Information & Bidder's Profile)	
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Appendix B

Project Summary

Company Information

Bidder (Company):		
Contact Name:		
Contact Title:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Email Address:		
Is the Proposal being submitted through a partnership, joint venture, consortium, or other association (Y/N)?		
If so, please identify all partners, joint ventures, members, or other entities or persons comprising same:		

General Project Information

Project Name:		
Project site location (County, State):		
Does the Project qualify for the Federal PTC or ITC and applicable percentage (%):		
Will the Project comply with Prevailing Wage and Apprenticeship Requirements (PWAR) (Y/N):		
Indicate whether the Project is expected to comply with all applicable Foreign Entity of Concern (FEOC) requirements (Y/N):		
Interconnection Path (select all that apply)	APCo (Y/N):	PJM (Y/N):
Expected Commercial Operation Date:		
Indicate if Project has substantial site control including to Point of Interconnection (Y/N):		

Solar Project Information (if applicable)

Module Manufacturer / Model:	Annual Degradation (%):
Configuration (Fixed Tilt / Single Axis):	Design Life (Yrs.):
Inverter Manufacturer / Model:	Expected Annual Availability (%):
Solar Project Nameplate (MWac): Solar Project Nameplate (MWdc):	Bid Price excludes reimbursement for Curtailment-related PTC losses (Y/N):
Expected Annual Energy (MWh):	Capacity Factor (%):

Appendix G 8760 Total (MWh):
(Value MUST match Expected Annual Energy above)

Hydroelectric Project Information (if applicable)

Manufacturer / Model:	Annual Degradation (%):
Project Size (MW):	Design Life (Yrs.):
Expected Annual Energy (MWh):	Expected Annual Availability (%):
Capacity Factor (%):	Bid Price excludes reimbursement for Curtailment-related PTC losses (Y/N):
Appendix G 8760 Total (MWh): <i>(Value MUST match Expected Annual Energy above)</i>	

Wind Project Information (if applicable)

Wind Turbine Manufacturer:	Model:
Wind Project Size (MW):	Design Life (Yrs.):
Independent Wind Resource Study Included (Y/N):	Source of Independent Wind Resource Study:
Year 1 Expected Annual Energy (MWh) ¹ :	Year 1 Capacity Factor (%) ¹ :
Expected Annual Energy (MWh) ² :	Capacity Factor (%):
	Expected Annual Availability (%):
Bid Price includes no PTC reimbursement for Curtailments (Y/N):	
Appendix G 8760 Total (MWh): <i>(Value MUST match Expected Annual Energy above)</i>	
<i>Note 1: Year 1 production data is required to account for potential lower Year 1 production due to routine maintenance associated with the break-in period.</i>	
<i>Note 2: Expected Annual Energy (MWh) represents a typical year's production following Year 1.</i>	

Interconnection – PJM (if applicable)

PJM Queue #:	Substation Name / Voltage:
Transmission Provider:	
Point of Interconnection with:	
Phase I / Feasibility Study Complete (Y/N):	Phase I / Feasibility Study Report Date:
Phase II / System Impact Study Complete (Y/N):	Phase II / System Impact Study Report Date:
Phase III / Facilities Study Complete (Y/N):	Phase III / Facilities Study Completion Date:

PJM Interconnection Status (describe):

Interconnection - APCo Distribution (if applicable)

Application #:	Substation Name / Voltage:
Distribution Impact Study Complete (Y/N):	Distribution Impact Study Report Date:
Interconnection Cost Estimate:	
APCo Distribution Interconnection Status (describe):	

Site Information

Site Legal Description:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
County:	Latitude:	Longitude:
Site Control (lease, easement, own, site purchase pending, etc.):		
Site Acres Required:	Site Acres Secured:	
	Site Acres Secured (as % of Req.):	
Is there potential for expansion (Y / N):	If Yes, acres available:	

Preliminary Site Questions (Y/N)

Has the site been assessed for any environmental contamination? Describe any known environmental issues. If necessary, please describe on a separate attachment.	
Are there any Tribal Lands or Tribal mineral ownership rights within Project boundary or vicinity?	
Are there any Federally or State owned or controlled lands within Project boundary or vicinity?	
Is the Project located on currently or formally mined lands?	
Is the site adjacent or near an Environmental Justice or Fenceline community?	
Have any Federal or State wildlife resource agencies been consulted for the Project?	
Has The Nature Conservancy or any other non-governmental organizations been engaged?	
Are there Conservation Reserve Program, Wetland Reserve Program or other conservation easements within the Project boundary or vicinity?	
Are there any pollinator vegetation requirements associated with the Project?	
Is there any Federal nexus to the Project, including Federal loans?	

Attachments Required

Tax Credit Information Form: A separate form will be provided in the RFP SharePoint site (Appendix B folder) that Bidder must complete.

Interconnection Studies: Attach a copy of all completed interconnection studies (i.e., System Impact Study, Distribution Impact Study, Facilities Study, etc.).

Site Layout: Include a diagram or map identifying the Project boundary with anticipated placement of major equipment and other project facilities, including transmission layouts and point of interconnection.

Site Control Documents: Attach a copy of all leases, easements or other ownership documentation including to point of interconnect.

Permitting Plan: Attach a comprehensive permit matrix that lists and describes all required permits, including, but not limited to, Federal (USFWS, FAA), State, County, City, etc., using the Company’s “PermittingPlan_2026” spreadsheet. For each permit, include the status, duration, planned steps, any known mitigation requirements, critical milestones and timelines.

Environmental Form: A separate form will be provided in the RFP SharePoint site (Appendix B folder) that Bidder must complete.

Environmental Report Summary: Attach a summary of all environmental studies, reports and agency meetings associated with the Project. Summarize the following reports (including data summaries, results, and findings) as applicable. Full reports, as available, are appreciated with the RFP submissions.

- Critical Issues Analysis, Site Characterization Assessment, Environmental Work / Survey Plan, Federal / State Rare, Threatened or Endangered Species Assessments and Surveys, Species presence/absence survey report, Bat Acoustic Survey Report, Avian Use Survey Report, Raptor Nest Survey Report, Prey-based Survey Report, Wetland and Waters Delineation / Assessment Report, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report, Historical and Cultural Resource Survey / Assessment Report, All Other Environmental Resource Surveys, Assessments and Study Reports, Record and Notes of all Federal and/or State Resource Agency Correspondence and Meetings, Environmental Justice Analyses, Aviation / FAA and Glare Studies, Department of Defense Siting Clearinghouse reviews and recommendations, Radar Study, Noise and Shadow Flicker Study, Associated **Project Infrastructure and Environmental Resource Shapefiles (.kmz format)**, and Bird and Bat Conservation Strategy and Eagle Conservation Plan (if available).

Appendix C

Proposal Bid Pricing^{1,2}

Expected COD by	PPA Term ³	Expected Annual Energy	Capacity Factor ⁴	Bid Price, \$/MWh
				\$
Does Proposal pricing include an option for APCo to purchase Project at fair market value at the end of the Term?				(Y/N):
Does Bid Price include the use of union labor?				(Y/N):

Alternate Bid Pricing (Not Required)

Expected COD by	PPA Term	Expected Annual Energy	Capacity Factor ⁴	Bid Price, \$/MWh
				\$
Does Proposal pricing include an option for APCo to purchase Project at fair market value at the end of the Term?				(Y/N):
Does Bid Price include the use of union labor?				(Y/N):
Expected COD by	PPA Term	Expected Annual Energy	Capacity Factor ⁴	Bid Price, \$/MWh
				\$
Does Proposal pricing include an option for APCo to purchase Project at fair market value at the end of the Term?				(Y/N):
Does Bid Price include the use of union labor?				(Y/N):

Note 1: Price must include costs associated with meeting the PPA credit requirements.

Note 2: Optional size(s) provided cannot be contingent on Bidder selling the remaining portion of the Project to another party via a sale of a portion of the project company or a power purchase agreement.

Note 3: Proposal must include a Term of 20 or 30 years for New projects, and 10 years for Operating projects. In addition, alternate terms may be submitted.

Note 4: Capacity Factor should be based on MWac.

Appendix D

Bidder's Credit-Related Information

Full Legal Name of the Bidder:	
Type of Organization (Corporation, Partnership, etc.):	
Bidder's % Ownership in Proposed Project:	
Proposed Agreement (PSA/PPA):	
Full Legal Name(s) of Parent Corporation(s) (Up to Ultimate Parent):	1. 2. 3. 4.
Entity Providing Credit Support on Behalf of Bidder (if applicable) – if left blank, creditworthiness will be evaluated based on the Bidder:	Name: Address: City: Zip Code: Relationship to Bidder (If applicable):
Type of Security:	<input type="checkbox"/> Check box if proposed credit support provided is Cash/LOC <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if proposed credit support provided is a Non-Investment Grade Guaranty <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if proposed credit support provided is an Investment Grade Guaranty
Current Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Credit Support Provider:	S&P (Standard and Poor's): Moody's:
Bank References & Name of Institution:	

<p>Bank Contact:</p>	<p>Name: Title: Address: City: Zip Code: Phone Number:</p>
<p>Legal Proceedings: As a separate attachment, please list all lawsuits, regulatory proceedings, or arbitration in which the Bidder or its affiliates or predecessors have been or are engaged that could affect the Bidder's performance of its bid. Identify the parties involved in such lawsuits, proceedings, or arbitration, and the final resolution or present status of such matters.</p>	
<p>Financial Statements: Please provide for Credit Support Provider, copies of the Annual Reports for the three most recent fiscal years and quarterly reports for the most recent quarter ended, if available. If available electronically, please provide link.</p>	
<p>Ability to Post Collateral and Raise Capital: Please provide a narrative describing the Bidders' ability and plan to both post collateral and raise capital to facilitate the development and construction of the project.</p>	
<p>If known, Full Legal Name of EPC Contractor(s):</p>	<p>Name: Address: City: Zip Code:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check box if proposed warranty period will have credit support provided as Cash/LOC</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check box if proposed warranty period will have credit support provided as a Guaranty</p>

	If Guaranty, which entity will supply?:
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Bidder Profile

Please list Bidder's Affiliate companies:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4.
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Please attach a summary of Bidder's background and experience in the development of projects of the same technology as the proposed project.

References:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Company <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Contact Name: b. Contact Number: c. Project:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Company <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Contact Name: b. Contact Number: c. Project:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Company <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Contact Name: b. Contact Number: c. Project:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Company <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Contact Name: b. Contact Number: c. Project:

Appendix E

Form Power Purchase Agreement

See Section 7.1 for instructions to obtain the applicable Form Power Purchase Agreement.

Bidder shall provide (i) an affirmative statement that Bidder's taking no exception to the Form of Power Purchase Agreement provided pursuant to this RFP or (ii) a comprehensive list of exceptions to the terms and conditions contained in the applicable Form PPA.

Appendix F

Financing Plan

Bidder shall submit a Financing Plan on a separate form. Bidders must provide a proposed financing plan, including any letters of support, previous correspondence with banks / lenders intending to provide financing for the project. Also provide the proposed on-going debt-equity ratio to be carried by the project during construction and operation.

Appendix G

Production Profile

See Section 7.1 for instructions to obtain the form identified below:

Bidder must include an 8760 calendar year hourly energy forecast, net of all losses using the Company's form spreadsheet ("EnergyInputSheet_2026.xls").

Appendix H

Local Goods & Services

Describe how the Bidder will be using local goods or services sourced whole or in part from one or more Virginia businesses, as applicable, to the extent practical in the purchase of equipment and material, or services for the Project:

Environmental Justice

Provide a description of environmental justice factors by the Environmental Justice Act (Virginia Code §§ 2.2-234, *et. seq.*) that are relevant to the Project. If an Environmental Justice or Fenceline community is potentially affected by the Project, list the steps taken by the Project regarding the Commonwealth of Virginia's environmental justice policy. In addition, if the project is located in Virginia, refer to the Virginia Environmental Data Hub (<https://geohub-vadeq.hub.arcgis.com>), and complete and include a Virginia EJScreen+ Report.