KENT COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS TO:

1. ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH A VIRTUAL NET METERED FACILITY

2. PURCHASE RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES (RECs) TO OFFSET 100% OF ELECTRICITY USE

Invitations

The Kent County Water Authority is concurrently issuing two (2) separate and distinct Requests for Proposals.

- 1. Sealed Proposals for a Public-Private partnership to provide the Kent County Water Authority with remote net metering utility bill credits from qualified renewable energy resources, in accordance with a Public Entity Net Metering Finance Agreement ("Remote Net Metering RFP") will be received by the Kent County Water Authority at their offices located at 1072 Main Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island 02893 until 10:00 a.m. prevailing time, on March 1, 2022, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud.
- 2. Sealed Proposals for Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to Offset 100% of Electricity Use ("Renewable Energy Certificates RFP") will be received by the Kent County Water Authority at their offices located at 1072 Main Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island 02893 until **10:00 a.m. prevailing time, on March 1, 2022**, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The scope of work for the Remote Net Metering RFP consists of work consists of the Kent County Water Authority entering into a long-term contract with a qualified renewable energy company to provide remote net metering utility bill credits to the Kent County Water Authority in accordance with a Public Entity Net Metering Finance Agreement. Kent County Water Authority seeks to obtain remote net metering credits in an amount that best aligns with offsetting up to 100% of its approximate annual electricity use of 3,5000,000 kWh. The Authority has established its goal to be powered 100% from renewable energy sources, particularly from newly developed renewable energy sources, while simultaneously utilizing renewable energy as a means to provide both long-term environmental and financial benefits, to its ratepayers.

The scope of work for the Renewable Energy Certificate RFP consists of qualified companies providing Kent County Water Authority with up to qualified, Class I Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to offset 100% of the Authority's approximate annual use of 3,5000,000 kWh. The Authority has established its goal to be powered 100% from renewable energy sources, particularly from newly developed renewable energy sources, while simultaneously

utilizing renewable energy as a means to provide both long-term environmental and financial benefits, to its ratepayers.

To effectively evaluate the greatest option for reaching the Kent County Water Authority's 100% renewable energy goal, and to do so in a manner that best reduces ratepayer costs, these two Requests for Proposals are being issued concurrently. These two RFPs are separate and distinct l RFPs. Potential proposers may choose to respond to one or both of the RFPs. Potential proposers are not required to submit to both Requests for Proposals to be considered for either of the individual Requests for Proposals.

A pre-proposal conference for both Requests for Proposals shall be conducted jointly, and will be held at the offices of the Kent County Water Authority at **10:00 a.m., prevailing time, on February 1, 2022**. All perspective proposers for either of the Request For Proposals must attend the pre-proposal conference, as it becomes a condition of proposing under each RFP. The Kent County Water Authority will not accept any Proposals for opening, for either of the RFPs, submitted by a proposer that does not attend the pre-proposal conference.

Request for Proposal documents for both RFPs may be picked up in person at the office of the Kent County Water Authority. Proposers will be furnished one set of both of the Request for Proposal Documents. Additional sets may be purchased for a fee of \$20.00. Proposers requesting Request for Proposal Documents by mail shall forward a non-refundable check (payable to the "Kent County Water Authority") in the amount of \$20.00 per set to cover the costs of handling and mailing. Mailing will be First Class U.S. Postal Rate only. The contract documents are also available on the Kent County Water Authority website at https://kentcountywater.org/rfp-bid.aspx.

Each Proposal shall be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Proposers.

No Proposer, to either RFP, may withdraw their proposal or any parts for a period of 90 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays after the actual date of the opening of the Request for Proposals. The Kent County Water Authority reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any and all Proposals, or parts thereof, if deemed to be in their best interest.

The offices of the Kent County Water Authority are handicapped accessible. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must contact the offices of the Kent County Water Authority 72 hours before the meeting at 821-9300 (Telecommunications device for the hearing impaired available).

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