

Hopkinton Landfill Solar Project

Addendum #11: October 15, 2020

Question: Part of the NEC 2017 and Hopkinton Town Ordinance Chapter 246 requires a 7' fence around the perimeter of the solar array. Is there an existing fence around the entirety of the landfill? If so, what is the height and how many access points (fence gates) are there?

Answer: There is an existing six foot chain link fence only along part of the subject parcel frontage on Stubtown Road that has two, twenty foot gates.

Question: Is there any plan to levelized bids with interconnection cost assumptions. Every bidder will end up generally having the same interconnection cost upgrades as they are dictated by National Grid. These costs can vary significantly and should be levelized between bidders so that no one is under-estimating just to get a project award. Please confirm if there is a way to levelize the interconnection line item on budgets (possible omitting the line item, or coming up with an arbitrary cost).

Answer: Please refer to Addendum 8.

Question: Are the properties FM Global insured?

Answer: The Stubtown Road parcel is not insured by FM Global

Question: Are there any specific labor requirements (e.g. prevailing wage, union labor) that bidders must account for?

Answer: The Request for Proposals states that the successful respondent will comply with the provisions of Rhode Island General Laws Chapter 37 pertaining to the "Prevailing Wage Laws" for all municipal funded projects in excess of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.

Question: Are there any day/time/seasonal constraints or site-specific constraints that would impact potential installation work?

Answer: At this time, there are no definite day/time/seasonal constraints or known site-specific constraints that might significantly impact the installation work.

Question: What is the anticipated schedule for project awards and/or contract execution with the selected bidder, which would kick off the project development cycle?

Answer: The Town has not committed to any schedule for project award or contract execution.

Question: Is Hopkinton willing to waive any municipal permitting fees? Naturally this adds a cost to the budget for the project, and a higher lease offer can be provided with a lower budgeted project cost

Answer: For the purpose of responding to this Request for Proposals, all municipal permitting fees shall be assumed to apply unless explicitly waived by the town at a later date.

Question: The RFP mentions the awardee will be responsible to remediate the current landfill conditions, including: fence and signage, stormwater controls, etc. Can you please detail the extent of this work further? As part of a civil survey and overall civil solar design, all these aspects would be looked at and changed/ cleaned/ altered as necessary to accommodate the array. Completing these changes before the design of the solar array is complete may be impractical.

Answer: Please refer to Appendix A of the Request for Proposals