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Spring 2017 Procurement Events:

Block Energy/Standard Products RFP (STP RFP)

Webcast

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

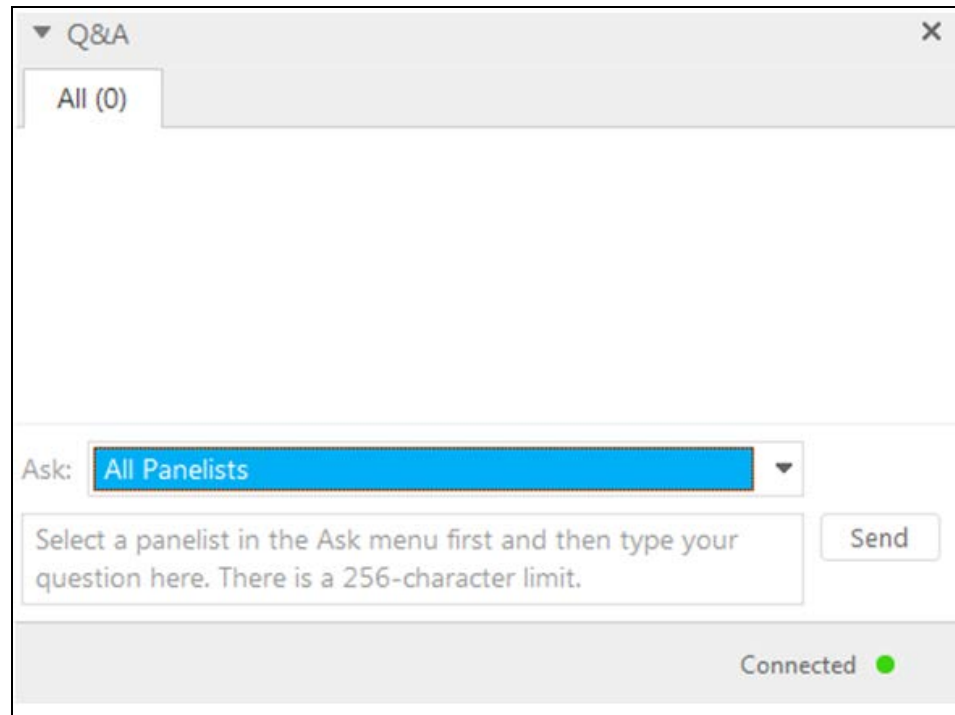
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Agenda

- Overview
- Supplier Contracts
- The RFP Process
- Bids and Bid Forms

Overview

Regulatory Filings by the IPA

- On **September 27, 2016** the Illinois Power Agency (“IPA”) filed its Procurement Plan
- The Illinois Commerce Commission (“ICC”) approved the IPA’s Procurement Plan with modifications
- Procurement Plan includes a **Block Energy/Standard Products RFP (“STP RFP”)** in Spring 2017
- **NERA** serves as Procurement Administrator

Products

- RFP procures energy blocks for AIC, ComEd, and MEC separately
- A **product** represents block energy for:
 - ◆ Specific quantities of on-peak and off-peak energy in monthly periods from June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2020
 - ◆ There are no quantities for MEC to be procured for the period June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020.
- The quantity of each product is divided into blocks of **25 MW**
- Quantities in RFP documents are **provisional**; final quantities will be provided by **March 29**

Combinations Follow Traded Products

- Bidders may also bid on **Combinations**, which reflect months that are typically traded together (Jan-Feb, Mar-Apr, Jul-Aug, Q4, June-May)
- The number of blocks available in a Combination is the minimum number of blocks available in the months of the Combination

Illustrative Example

Table I-2. Targets for ComEd

| Month | On-Peak | Off-Peak |
|----------|---------|----------|
| Jun 2017 | 66 | 52 |
| Jul 2017 | 89 | 64 |
| Aug 2017 | 83 | 59 |
| Sep 2017 | 55 | 47 |
| Oct 2017 | 24 | 20 |
| Nov 2017 | 26 | 23 |
| Dec 2017 | 30 | 27 |
| Jan 2018 | 30 | 28 |
| Feb 2018 | 29 | 27 |
| Mar 2018 | 26 | 23 |
| Apr 2018 | 23 | 21 |
| May 2018 | 24 | 20 |

Product has 3 elements

- **Company:** AIC, ComEd or MEC
- **Segment:** on-peak or off-peak
- **Month:** e.g., July 2017

Table I-5. Number of Blocks Available for Each Combination (ComEd)

| Combination | On-Peak | Off-Peak |
|----------------|---------|----------|
| Jul-Aug17 | 83 | 59 |
| Oct-Nov-Dec17 | 24 | 20 |
| Jan-Feb18 | 29 | 27 |
| Mar-Apr18 | 23 | 21 |
| Jun17 to May18 | 23 | 20 |
| Jul-Aug18 | 18 | 15 |
| Oct-Nov-Dec18 | 12 | 10 |

Combinations: packages of products

- e.g., Jul-Aug 2017, Jan-Feb 2018
- **blocks available:** minimum number of blocks available in the months of the Combination

Application Process is Online

- **Part 1 (pre-qual): respond to qualification standards**
- ◆ Information retained for Bidders that successfully completed the Part 1 Proposal in the STP RFP previously
- ◆ **Part 2 (registration): make certifications; pre-bid security**

Part 1 Proposal (Mar. 9–Mar. 16)

- **Online:** provide information using online P1 form
- **Online:** upload completed Inserts
- **Online:** upload required supporting documents
- **Send to IPA:** Bid Participation Fee

Part 2 Proposal (Mar. 22– Mar. 29)

- **Online:** provide information using online P2 form
- **Online:** upload completed Inserts
- **Send for each procurement event separately:** pre-bid letter of credit

Bid Submission and Evaluation

- Bid Submission
 - ◆ Bidders enter their Bids in an **Excel spreadsheet** that will be provided to them at the time of qualification
 - ◆ Bidders will **transfer** their spreadsheet through a secure interface
 - ◆ Bidders may **encrypt** their Bid Forms for additional security
- Bid Evaluation
 - ◆ The evaluation considers only Bids that **meet or beat the benchmarks**
 - ◆ Evaluation identifies the least cost package
- Benchmarks developed using confidential methodology approved by ICC

Bid Participation Fee

- **Bid Participation Fee of \$500** is required
 - A single Bid Participation Fee applies to all procurement events under this RFP
 - A single Bid Participation Fee applies to multiple RFPs in 2017
- Bid Participation Fee is due to the IPA by 12 PM (noon) on the Part 1 Date
- Two methods of payment:
 - ◆ **Check made payable to the Illinois Power Agency**
 - ◆ **E-Check through <https://www.epayillinois.com>**
- For a complete set of instructions, email us at: **Illinois-RFP@nera.com**

Supplier Fees

- Supplier Fees paid by winning Bidders only
- Bidders pay the Supplier Fees to the IPA within seven business days of being notified of ICC decision
- **Estimates of Supplier Fees** at this time:
 - **\$169** per on-peak block
 - **\$112** per off-peak block
- **Final Supplier Fees** to be announced when Part 2 Proposals are due

Supplier Contracts

Disclaimer

- Any statements herein or made on the call describing or referring to the agreements are summaries only and are qualified in their entirety by the agreements
- The governing agreements are those posted on **March 6, 2017** and Bidders bear full responsibility for reviewing and understanding the written agreements

Final Contracts Posted on March 6

- Separate contracts for AIC, ComEd, and MEC
- Each contract is standard and **non-negotiable**
- Bidders **must accept terms** of applicable supplier contract prior to bidding
- Bidders will execute the applicable supplier contract and related documents after the ICC decision
- Redlines of Contracts posted:
 - ◆ contracts are substantially the same as those used in 2016

(AIC/MEC) Confirmation Agreement

- **Separate but similar for:**  
- **Based on industry standard** EEI Master Power Purchase & Sale Agreement
 - Confirmation Agreement
 - Exhibit A – Form of Guaranty and acceptable modifications
 - Exhibit B – Form of Letter of Credit
 - Exhibit C – EEI Master Power Purchase & Sale Agreement
 - Exhibit D – EEI Collateral Annex
 - Exhibit E – Paragraph 10 to EEI Collateral Annex
- Confirmation Agreement contains:
 - all **modifications** to the EEI Master Power Purchase and Sales Agreement
 - **Elections** to certain contract and credit terms

AIC/MEC: Main Features (non-credit)

▪ **Scheduling Requirement**

- ◆ For each delivery month, applicable utility and supplier will work together to enter and approve all DART/Financial Scheduling entries within the MISO Portal no later than 10 business days prior to the start of the delivery month

▪ **Delivery Point (Physical transaction for day-ahead market)**

- ◆ AIC: MISO CP Node AMIL.BGS6
- ◆ MEC: MISO CP Node MEC.MECB

▪ **Confidentiality**

- ◆ Included reference to the Illinois Public Utilities Act

▪ **Confirmation**

- ◆ Pricing details for all products for which Bidder has approved Bids are indicated in Table 1 of Confirmation Agreement

AIC/MEC: Main Credit Terms

- **Exposure** is based on MtM methodology
- Standard Letter of Credit and Guaranty are provided as Exhibits to Confirmation Agreement
- Acceptable modifications to Guaranty are provided as Schedules to the Confirmation Agreement
- Collateral Requirement applies **only to Seller**

- **Based on industry standard** EEI Master Power Purchase & Sale Agreement
 - EEI Master Power Purchase and Sales Agreement and Cover Sheet
 - EEI Collateral Annex (including Paragraph 10)
 - Schedule 1A to Collateral Annex (Post-Bid Letter of Credit)
 - Exhibit A to Schedule 1A (Letter of Full Transfer)
 - Schedule 2 to Collateral Annex (Guaranty)
 - Schedule 3 to Collateral Annex (MtM Calculation Methodology)
 - Confirmation Sheet (Sample)

- Cover Sheet contains all **modifications** to the EEI Master Power Purchase & Sales Agreement

- **Elections** to certain contract terms are found in Cover Sheet and Paragraph 10 of Collateral Annex

ComEd: Main Features (non-credit)

▪ **Scheduling Requirement**

- ◆ Seller must schedule 4 weeks in advance of delivery month
- ◆ Buyer must confirm 3 weeks in advance of delivery month

▪ **Delivery Point**

- ◆ Physical transaction scheduled to ComEd Residual Aggregate (currently Pnode ID 116472935) for the day-ahead PJM market

▪ **Confidentiality**

- ◆ Included reference to the Illinois Public Utilities Act

▪ **Confirmation**

- ◆ A single confirmation for all products for which Bidder has approved Bids

ComEd: Main Credit Terms

- **Exposure** is based on MtM methodology
- Methodology for calculating current MtM value is given in **Schedule 3** to the Collateral Annex
- Standard Letter of Credit and Guaranty are provided as Schedules to Collateral Annex
- Acceptable modifications to Guaranty have been posted to the website
- Collateral Requirement applies **only to Seller**

The RFP Process

STP RFP Calendar

| 6-Mar | 7-Mar | 8-Mar | 9-Mar | 10-Mar |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Final Contracts Posted | RFP Documents Issued | Webcast | Part 1 Window Opens | |
| 13-Mar | 14-Mar | 15-Mar | 16-Mar | 17-Mar |
| | | | Part 1 Date | |
| 20-Mar | 21-Mar | 22-Mar | 23-Mar | 24-Mar |
| | Part 1 Notification | Part 2 Window Opens | | |
| 27-Mar | 28-Mar | 29-Mar | 30-Mar | 31-Mar |
| | | Part 2 Date | Bidder Training | |
| 03-Apr | 04-Apr | 05-Apr | 06-Apr | 07-Apr |
| Bids Due | | | | ICC decision |

Highlights of Process for Spring STP RFP

- 1. Three** procurement events for AIC, ComEd, and MEC
 - ◆ Bidders submit a single Proposal even if participating in all three procurement events
 - ◆ However, Bidders submit a separate Pre-Bid Letter of Credit for each procurement event

- 2. One** Bid Date
 - ◆ Bids are due on **April 3** with ICC decision on **April 7**

- 3. Overlapping Bid Windows**
 - ◆ Bid Windows open at **8:30 AM CPT**
 - ◆ Bid Window for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Delivery Periods closes at **10 AM CPT**
 - ◆ Bid Window for 2017-2018 Delivery Period closes at **11 AM CPT**

Bid Form for 2017-2018 Delivery Period and Bid Form for 2018-2020 Delivery Periods will be provided to Bidders separately

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DG RFP – Announcement:
RSVP Now for Webcast on
Monday, March 27
March 3, 2017

DG RFP – REMINDER: Com-
ments on Draft Distributed
Generation REC Contract
Forms Due Thursday, March
9 (6PM)
March 2, 2017

STP RFP – ANNOUNCE-
MENT: RSVP Now for Web-
cast on Wednesday, March 8
March 2, 2017



Illinois Power Agency RFPs

For Electric Supply and Renewable Energy Products

This website provides information for prospective energy suppliers to Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois (“Ameren” or “AIC”), Commonwealth Edison Company (“ComEd”), and MidAmerican Energy Company (“MidAmerican” or “MEC”). This website contains the documents and announcements related to the Requests for Proposals (“RFPs”) for electric supply and renewable energy products. This website is currently managed by the Procurement Administrator retained by the Illinois Power Agency (“IPA”). The IPA has retained NERA Economic Consulting (“NERA”) to act as Procurement Administrator. In this role, NERA coordinates the IPA’s procurement activities on its own behalf as well as for AIC’s, ComEd’s, and

NEW Bidders: Register for your Account



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Qualification Forms

You must be logged in to access the online Forms.

If you have an account, please [log in here](#).

If you do not have an account, please [register here](#).

Register for an Account

Previously qualified Bidders will receive login credentials and specific instructions by email from the Procurement Administrator

Alternatively, send an email to Illinois-RFP@nera.com with:

- Company name
- full name of contact
- phone and alternate number
- email address

The Part 1 Proposal

- **Bidders**
 - ◆ Provide basic information and make certifications
 - ◆ Provide credit ratings and financial information
- Previously qualified Bidders (successfully completed the Part 1 Proposal for the STP RFP in 2015 or 2016) are eligible to participate in an abbreviated Part 1 Process
- Part 1 Proposal consists of:
 - ◆ Information submitted through the **online Part 1 Form**
 - ◆ Supporting **documents** (can be uploaded to the form)
 - ◆ Inserts to upload to the form
 - ◆ Payment of **Bid Participation Fee** to the IPA

Contact Information

1. Name and Address of the Bidder

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| New | Prev Qual |
| Provide | Confirm |

2. Officer of the Bidder is an individual empowered to undertake contracts and bind the Bidder

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| Provide | Update as needed |
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- ◆ Signs all representations (Part 1 and Part 2)
- ◆ Designates the Representative

3. Representative of the Bidder serves as contact for purposes of the RFP (**Representative Insert, #P1-1**)

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| Provide | Update as needed |
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4. Designation of Nominees. The Representative or the Officer may name up to three Nominees (**Nominee Insert, #P1-2**)

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| BOTH Provide |
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- ◆ Communications from the Procurement Administrator sent to the Representative and will also be sent to the Nominees

Inserts available on procurement website

Bid Participation Fee

- **Bid Participation Fee of \$500** paid by all Bidders
 - paid once for all 2017 Procurement Events
- For a complete set of instructions, email us at:
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Financial Requirements

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| New | Prev Qual |
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1. Name of Entity on Whose Financial Standing the Bidder Relies. Bidder chooses either to rely on its own financial standing or on the financial standing of another party (“Entity”)

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| Provide | Confirm |
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2. Credit Ratings for the Entity.

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| Provide | Update as needed |
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3. Financial Information for the Entity. Annual and quarterly financial information (**can be uploaded**)

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| BOTH Provide |
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Company-Specific Requirements

| New | Prev Qual |
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Separately for AIC (Section 4),
ComEd (Section 5), and MEC (Section 6):

- **Information to Prepare the applicable Supplier Contract Documents.**

- **AIC Contract Insert, #P1-3**
- **ComEd Contract Insert, #P1-5**
- **MEC Contract Insert, #P1-7**

BOTH Provide

- **Representations of the Officer of the Bidder.** Officer of the Bidder makes a number of certifications – all certifications in one place

- **AIC Certifications Insert, #P1-4**
- **ComEd Certifications Insert, #P1-6**
- **MEC Certifications Insert, #P1-8**

BOTH Provide

- ✓ Officer of the Bidder can also provide with the Part 1 Proposal the certifications required by the Part 2 Proposal (P2 Certifications Insert)
- ✓ Additional requirements for Bidders in special circumstances (sections 7 & 8)

Contract Inserts to the Part 1 Form

- The applicable supplier contract documents are **prepared by the Company** for Bidders with Bids identified as winning Bids to the ICC (between the evaluation of Bids and the ICC decision)
- Bidders are asked to provide all necessary information with the **Part 1 Proposal**
- If a Bidder does not provide this information with the Part 1 Proposal, the Bidder will be **required to acknowledge** that the information will be required by 12 PM (noon) CPT on the day after being notified by the Procurement Administrator that the Bidder has Bids identified as winning Bids

Part 1 Proposal: Process

- Part 1 Proposal evaluated promptly when the Bidder clicks **SUBMIT**
- While the Procurement Administrator evaluates the Part 1 Proposal, the Bidder will be temporarily **locked out** of its account
- If **deficiencies** are noted, Bidders are advised
 - ◆ On the same day if materials received before noon
 - ◆ Next business day otherwise
- Bidders generally have until the Part 1 Date or **one (1) business day** to respond to a first request for additional information
- **Notification by email** to the entire Bidder Team (Representative and Nominees)
- Documents delivered via **secure electronic file transfer**

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| Part 1 Date | 12 PM CPT on March 16, 2017 |
| Part 1 Notification | 6 PM CPT on March 21, 2017 |

Part 1 Notification

- With the Part 1 Notification the Procurement Administrator provides the following **documents for submission of the Part 2 Proposal**:
 - ◆ Bid Forms
 - ◆ Instructions for completing, encrypting, and submitting the Bid Forms
 - ◆ Username, password, security code for bid submission
 - ◆ Invitation to training session on bid submission procedure
 - ◆ **Updated Targets** and maximum amount for Pre-Bid Letter of Credit for each Company (Final Targets on Part 2 Date)
- Materials provided to Bidders by **secure electronic file transfer**
- Bidders are required to acknowledge receipt of confidential information required to bid in the Part 2 Proposal

Part 2 Proposal is Due in Two Packages

- Bidders
 - ◆ Provide any update to their contact information
 - ◆ Make certifications (**Certifications Inserts, #P2-1 for AIC, #P2-2 for ComEd, and #P2-3 for MEC**)

- Part 2 Proposal consists of:
 - ◆ Information submitted through the **online Part 2 Form**
 - ◆ Signed certifications (scan can be uploaded)
 - ◆ Submission of executed **Pre-Bid Letter of Credit** to each Company for which Bidder intends to bid
 - ◆ Bids

- Additional requirements for Bidders in special circumstances

- Part 2 Proposal excluding Bids must be received by **12 PM (noon) CPT on March 29**

Pre-Bid Letter of Credit

Separately for AIC, ComEd, and MEC:

- The Pre-Bid Letter of Credit must be
 - ♦ in the standard form or incorporate only modifications accepted and posted on www.ipa-energyrfp.com
 - ♦ sent to AIC, ComEd, or MEC **directly**
 - ♦ in an amount of **\$5,000/block** of the Indicative Quantity and subject to:
 - a \$250,000 minimum for AIC and ComEd
 - a \$25,000 minimum for MEC
- **Indicative Quantity** is the most blocks that a Bidder intends to bid across all Segments and all months for a Company
- Pre-Bid Letters of Credit expire no earlier than **April 27, 2017**
 - ♦ Bidders may provide special instructions for the return of the Pre-Bid LC

Instructions for Bid Submission

- The **Bid Form** is the exclusive method for the submission of Bids
 - ♦ Bid Forms incompletely or inconsistently filled out will not be evaluated
 - ♦ A tab of the Bid Form represents a Company, a Delivery Period, and a Segment
- Bid Forms duly filled out must be submitted to the Procurement Administrator via **secure electronic file transfer**
 - ♦ The Procurement Administrator confirms receipt of the Bid Form with each Bidder by phone
 - ♦ Procurement Administrator uses name on Bid Form
- **Step-by-step guide** provided with the Part 1 Notification
- Bidders will have opportunity to practice and will have a **backup method (by email)** for bid submission

Overlapping Bid Windows! Bids Must Be Received:

2018-2020 DYs

Between 8:30 AM and 10 AM CPT on Apr. 3

2017-2018 DY

Between 8:30 AM and 11 AM CPT on Apr. 3

Post-Bid Process: ICC Decision

- Although no notification is required prior to Commission approval under the PUA, Procurement Administrator aims to notify Bidders by 6PM **on the Bid Date** whether their Bids are identified as winning Bids to the ICC (earlier if practicable, later as circumstances warrant)
- If not already done, Bidders with winning Bids must provide the Contract Insert(s) for preparation of the applicable supplier contract documents **by 12PM CPT on the day after being notified**
- Procurement Administrator and the Procurement Monitor each submits a confidential report to ICC by **April 5, 2017**
- The ICC will decide whether to accept or reject the results of each procurement event by **April 7, 2017**

Post-Bid Process: Contract and Supplier Fees

- Company sends electronically to Bidder partially executed contract documents
 - ◆ ComEd prepares the guaranty for the winning Bidder's guarantor as well
 - ◆ For AIC and MEC, Bidder prepares own guaranty and submits executed guaranty for electronic receipt by the Company
- Bidder countersigns, sends back electronically contract documents and fulfills creditworthiness requirements
- **Payment of the Supplier Fee** to the IPA is due seven business days after being notified of Commission decision
- Pre-Bid Letter of Credit may be drawn upon if Supplier Fees are not paid by the deadline

Bids and Bid Forms

Bids

- A **Bid** is a price in \$/MWh for a block of a Product or for a block of a Combination

| ComEd On-peak blocks | Dec 2017 | Jan 2018 | Feb 2018 | Jan & Feb 2018 |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|
| 1 | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 60.00 |
| 2 | | | 52.00 | |

- A Bidder may bid on **any number of Products** and may bid on all Products
- A Bidder may bid on **any number of Combinations** and may bid on all Combinations
- A Bidder may bid **both** on a Product and on a Combination that includes this Product

Maximum Willingness to Supply

- The **maximum willingness to supply** is a maximum number of blocks that a Bidder wants to win for a particular Segment and month
- It will be assumed that the Bidder is willing to supply up to:
 - ♦ The target for the Segment and month; OR
 - ♦ The number of blocks bid across all Products and Combinations that include that Segment and monthwhichever is smaller
- The Bidder may, **but is not required to**, specify a **maximum willingness to supply** for a Segment of a month to override this default
 - ♦ A Bidder would do this to specify a willingness to supply **smaller than** the default (smaller than the target and smaller than the total number of blocks bid for a Segment and month)

Bid Forms

- The General Information tab has information about the products – and contact information that the Bidder fills out

Appendix 6A (2017-2018 Delivery Year)
Illinois Power Agency 2017 Spring Procurement Events
Bid Form - General Information
Due Monday, April 03, 2017 between 8:30 AM and 11 AM (CPT)

General Information:

In addition to this 'General Information' sheet, this Bid Form contains the following nineteen (19) sheets:

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| 1) AIC On-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 7) ComEd On-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 13) MEC On-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 17) MWS 2017-2018 |
| 2) AIC Off-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 8) ComEd Off-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 14) MEC Off-Peak Bids 2017-2018 | 18) MWS 2018-2019 |
| 3) AIC On-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | 9) ComEd On-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | 15) MEC On-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | 19) MWS 2019-2020 |
| 4) AIC Off-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | 10) ComEd Off-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | 16) MEC Off-Peak Bids 2018-2019 | |
| 5) AIC On-Peak Bids 2019-2020 | 11) ComEd On-Peak Bids 2019-2020 | | |
| 6) AIC Off-Peak Bids 2019-2020 | 12) ComEd Off-Peak Bids 2019-2020 | | |

Sheets one through sixteen are for entering Bids. Sheets seventeen through nineteen are for entering a Maximum Willingness to Supply for each month and Segment. Sheets seventeen through nineteen are optional.

Bidder Information:

Company Name
Contact Name
Phone Number

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Bidder information is incomplete. All fields are mandatory.



Each Tab for a Segment/Delivery Period/Company

- Sixteen Tabs for Bid Entry for all Companies across two Bid Forms
 - One Bid Form: 2017-2018 DY: On-Peak and Off-Peak
 - Second Bid Form: 2018-2020 DYs: On-Peak and Off-Peak

| Jul-18 | Aug-18 | Sep-18 | Oct-18 | Nov-18 | Dec-18 |
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**Bid Entry for
Single Months**

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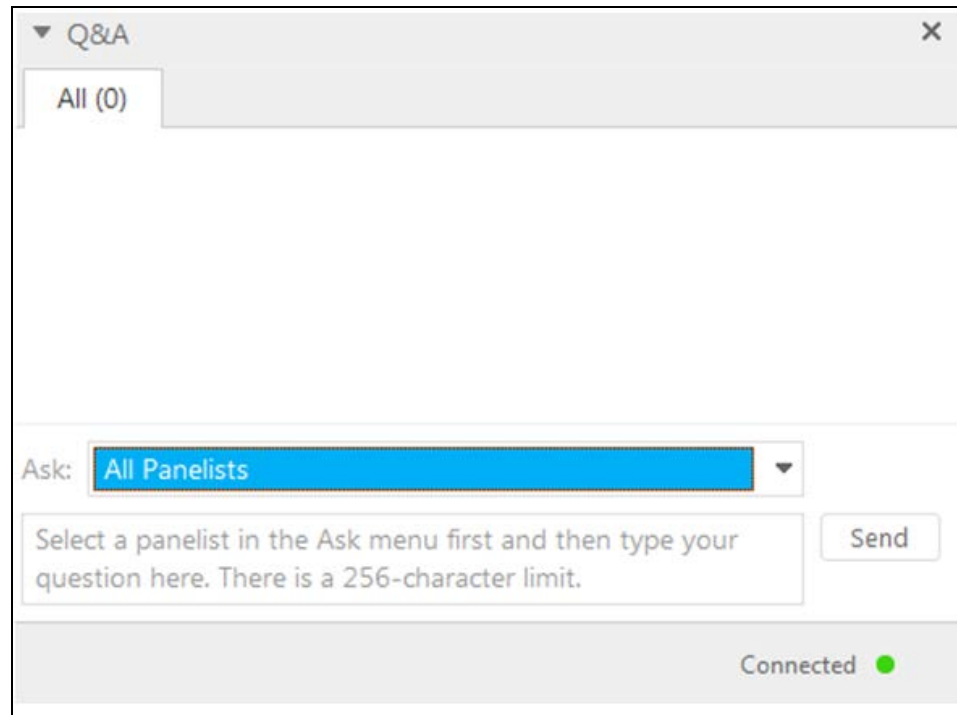
**Bid Entry for
Combinations**

Two Steps to Bid Evaluation

- 1. First Step:** Bids that fail to meet the benchmarks are eliminated
- 2. Second Step:** Selection of package that yields the lowest average cost per MWh

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