ADDENDUM NO. 1 Request for Proposals Electric Meter Data Aggregation Services

NOTICE TO ALL PROPOSERS

Notice is hereby given to all potential Proposers that this is an Addendum to the Request for Proposal for Electric Meter Data Aggregation Services issued on May 25, 2023. This Addendum is attached to and made part of the above-entitled RFP from Southern California Public Power Authority.

RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED

Q1. The requirement that the proponent has delivered load data to end customers 3 times before will knock us out. I wanted to check this is an essential criteria?

Answer: The requirement is a mandatory requirement and cannot be waived.

Q2: Is the company looking for more of a portal as described in requirements?

Answer: The Solicitation is requesting a platform, accessible online, that will enable utility personnel to provide their Commercial customers with secure, detailed interval load profile data on an online platform. This energy data must be able to be presented in a format that will provide the customer tools to manage their energy demand. As stated, the tool should also allow utility staff to conduct end use analysis online or export the data for use in external benchmarking, auditing, demand side management, or energy management applications.

Q3: Does the scope of work cover residential, commercial, SMB or all customers?

Answer: Commercial. Some members may want to extend the service to their smaller commercial customers, but that would be their decision.

Q4: To acquire meter and customer data, would a vendor integrate with SCPPA in a single integration or be required to integrate with each member separately (multiple data integrations)?

Answer: Each participating member separately.

Q5: To the extent known, how prevalent are smart meters in the population?

Answer: Unknown.

Q6: Would the requested service be a standalone portal or would the solutions be embedded in an existing website owned by SCPPA or the members?

Answer: There would be <u>no</u> interface with SCPPA, but rather with participating members.

Q7. It is not clear in the RFP document who the end user of the tool is. Can you please clarify it is intended for utility customers, utility staff, or both? If both, can you share more about the customer facing solution? Would this be a customer web portal?

Answer: Both. The service is intended for commercial/industrial customers but would also enable utility staff access to the data for analysis, planning, and other utility service support purposes. The intent is to provide a web-based, online portal enabling customers to:

- Look at the load profile of their facility for any date range they select.
- Examine their profile in any resolution they select (1 min, 30min, hour, day, week, month, year, etc.)
- Aggregate or compare the profiles for any grouping of facilities.
- Conduct "what-if' analysis to determine the actual savings from various load reduction or peak shaving activities.

Q8. Can you please confirm if this scope is for residential, commercial or both types of customers?

Answer: Commercial/Industrial

Q9. Can SCPPA share the budget available for this RFP? Will it be funded by the individual municipal utilities?

Answer: SCPPA enters into vendor agreements on behalf of its 12 members for a variety of utility-related goods and services. All SCPPA member utilities have access to those service agreements/contracts via a "Task Order" request system. The terms of the underlying agreement determine the goods or services that members can request. Members are 100% financially responsible for the goods and/or services that they received from a vendor. Budgets for requested goods and services are determined by each member utilizing that service.

Q10. How will data be accessed from each municipality? Is it obtained in real time or is it static? Is there a standardized format for data ingestion that all municipalities will follow?

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services, will work with the vendor to determine how access to their customer's data will be provided. Each member may have slightly different protocols for sharing their customers' information. There is no standardized format that each member is required to follow outside of the format that each utility has established for its own organization. I would imagine that each member's CIS would contain the basics that would identify customer name, service address, service size, meter information, billing information, etc.

Q11. What types of data will be accessible? Examples includes usage data, customer and billing information, property data, socio-demographic data, ownership status, building types, HVAC systems, PV installations, EV usage, water consumption, and more.

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services, will inform the vendor which type(s) of customer/utility data that the participating member would want to include on their site.

Q12. Will there be a single point of contact or will each SCPPA member have their own designated point of contact?

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services, will identify the "single point of contact for their agency only.

Q13. Should our response include experience with different analogous technology and data products for Demand Management and Energy Efficiency?

Answer: Responses must include the experience requested in the RFP, however, the submitter may at their election, provide additional experience not requested, but it will only be considered as informational and not for the purposes of complying with the information requested.

Q14. What is the availability of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) for each member municipality?

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services will work with the selected vendor to determine if the Advanced Meter Infrastructure (AMI) would be available or suitable for their utility.

Q15. Should we include other energy program services beyond technology and data, such as audits, rebates, and product marketplaces?

Answer: Respondents to the "Data Aggregation Services RFP" are only required to provide the information requested in the RFP.

Q16. Regarding the task to "conduct hypothetical/predictive analysis of the impact that load reduction or peak-shaving activities may have on energy savings," are we expected to design programs to optimize load reduction, or solely conduct predictive analyses based on provided hypothetical models for existing programs?

Answer: Respondents to the "Data Aggregation Services RFP" are only required to perform the requested. If a Member and the vendor agree that additional services, that are included in the eventual Master Services Agreement, they may discuss and agree upon additional services to be provided.

Q17. Regarding the directive to "facilitate the online analysis of end-use data," does SCPPA have any specific features or functionality in mind, such as an online dashboard and reporting system?

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services will work with the selected vendor to determine the specific features or functionality such as an online dashboard and reporting system?

Q18. What are the security requirements imposed by SCPPA for handling the data?

Answer: Each SCPPA member utility, that elects to utilize the "Data Aggregation" services will work with the selected vendor to determine the specific security requirements for handling the data for that member utility.

Q19. Could you provide some sample use cases for the data? Is it aggregated at the SCPPA level or for each individual municipality?

Answer: There are no sample use cases to provide. Each Member Utility operates and is solely responsible for its operations. SCPPA is an agency that provides support for all of its twelve member publicly owned utilities by providing access to joint action contracts that SCPPA enters into on members' behalf.

Q20. Are there any legacy Information Technology tools currently utilized by SCPPA?

Answer: No.

Q21. How many Non-Residential Customers does the smallest SCPPA member utility have?

Answer: Respondents can find member information and those utilities respective websites, to learn more about each utilities total number of customers, as well as the number of customers type (Commercial, Residential, Industrial) www.SCPPA.Org

Q22. Please provide number of billable accounts / billable service customer.

Answer: Respondents can find member information and those utilities respective websites, to learn more about each utilities total number of customers, as well as the number of customers type (Commercial, Residential, Industrial) www.SCPPA.org

Q23. How many Non-Residential Customers does the largest SCPPA member utility have?

Answer: Respondents can find member information and those utilities respective websites, to learn more about each utilities total number of customers, as well as the number of customers type (Commercial, Residential, Industrial) www.SCPPA.org

Q24. Please provide number of billable accounts / billable service customer.

Answer: Respondents can find member information and those utilities respective websites, to learn more about each utilities total number of customers, as well as the number of customers type (Commercial, Residential, Industrial) www.SCPPA.org

Q25. Is a hard copy proposal mandatory to meet the requirements minimum?

Answer: Any submission to the above referenced RFP that fails to comply with the stated requirements of the RFP will be deemed to be non-responsive."

Q26. Will any points be deducted if respondent only submits an electronic copy?

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