



2009 Request for Proposals **Solar On-site Renewable Energy Credits (SO-REC)**

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Public Service Company of Colorado ("Public Service" or the "Company") is the Xcel Energy operating company in Colorado. Public Service operates under the trade name of Xcel Energy. This Request for Proposals (RFP) seeks solar on-site renewable energy credits or SO-RECs, as these terms are defined by Colorado Public Utilities Commission Rule 3652, 4 CCR 723-3-3652, from new solar renewable energy systems to be located in Colorado. Eligible respondents to this RFP ("Respondents") must be the owners of the proposed solar renewable energy systems. Respondents are requested to provide offers for the SO-RECs pursuant to the instructions provided herein. This RFP is limited to proposals for SO-RECs that are generated from solar generating facilities with a gross nameplate capacity above 100 kW Direct Current (DC) and no greater than 2 MW DC.

This RFP contains several sections, including an Introduction, Proposal Logistics, Bid Submittal, Evaluation Process and Assumptions, Delivery and Interconnection, and Solar*Rewards SO-REC Purchase Contracts (SRPC).

Please provide all the information requested to enable the Company to properly evaluate your approach and viability as a bidder for SO-RECs. Feel free to provide additional information, not requested here, that you feel would help in our evaluation process.

This Request for Proposals and all files, designs, specifications and other data appended or related to it are the property of the Company and are delivered only for the purpose of enabling each potential respondent to prepare and submit a proposal in response hereto.

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Section 1. Introduction

Public Service Company of Colorado (Public Service or Company), an operating company of Xcel Energy Inc., is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) for solar on-site renewable energy credits or SO-RECs from new solar renewable energy systems in Colorado that will meet the following requirements:

1. Use a solar electric generation technology to generate electricity.
2. Will be located on the premises of a Public Service customer or on the premises of a customer of another Colorado electric utility that is eligible to become a qualifying retail utility under C.R.S. §40-2-124. The customer shall not have as its primary business the generation of electricity for retail or wholesale sale. The customer must use its premises where the solar renewable energy system will be located for a legitimate commercial, industrial, governmental or educational purpose other than the generation of electricity. The on-site solar system must be sized to produce energy that is no greater than 120% of the customer's annual consumption.
3. Become operational after 4th quarter 2010 or in 2011.
4. Produce no more than 7,000 MWh in the first full year of operation. Installations must occur in 2010 or 2011.
5. Have gross nameplate capacity above 100 kW direct current (DC) and no greater than 2 MW DC.
6. Produce electricity primarily for the customer's consumption, with some export to the grid (if grid-connected), with the renewable energy credits (SO-RECs) sold to Public Service.

Public Service invites proposals from all potential Respondents who are capable of meeting the requirements of the RFP. Public Service invites proposals both from the customers on whose premises the solar systems will be installed and from third party owners of solar systems installed on customer premises.

This introductory section describes the type, amount and timing of solar resources sought in this Solar*Rewards RFP. Section 2 covers logistics such as where and when proposals must be submitted, bid evaluation fees, and policies and procedures. Section 3 describes the bid submittal process. Section 4 addresses the evaluation process and assumptions. Section 5 provides requirements related to interconnection.

1.1 Resource Acquisition Objectives

The Colorado Revised Statutes Section 40-2-124, henceforth referred to as the Renewable Energy Standard ("RES"), stipulates the amount of renewable energy Public Service is required to generate or cause to be generated. The enactment of House Bill 07-1281 increased the original requirement, such that in 2008 through 2010, the equivalent of 5% of Public Service's retail electricity sales must be acquired through eligible renewable energy sources. This total percentage increases to 10% for 2011 through 2014, 15% for 2015 through 2019, and 20% in 2020. The RES requires that at least 4% of the total requirement be acquired from solar resources, and that one-half of that solar generation be on site at customer facilities. The Colorado Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has defined, by rule, what solar generation facilities qualify as on-site solar systems. See 4 CCR 723-3-3652(h). This RFP is designed to procure competitively priced SO-RECs (solar onsite renewable energy credits) from on-site solar systems within the meaning of this rule.

1.2 Eligible Technologies

All solar generating technologies to be located in Colorado that qualify as on-site solar systems under the CPUC Rules are eligible to bid into this RFP.

1.3 Interconnection

The bidder for this RFP will be responsible for entering into an Interconnection Agreement with Public Service or the appropriate utility at each site prior to energy production from the solar generating system.

For Public Service retail customers, the solar generating system installation under this RFP must be connected to the customer's electrical load or to the customer's side of the revenue meter to be considered net-metered.

For successful bidders, Public Service's Electric Distribution Standards Department will provide to the bidder an estimate of the interconnection costs, if any, for each installation site. The bidder will have the opportunity to revise the initial bid to reflect any changes in interconnection costs.

1.4 Pricing

This RFP requires SO-REC pricing in \$/MWh units. Bidders must provide an affirmative statement that their proposal, including pricing, will remain valid and binding for at least 270 days after the proposal due date (see Bid Certification Form A). Pricing may be a constant price for each year of the twenty-year (20) term, decreasing price for each year of the twenty-year (20) term, or increasing price for each year of the twenty-year (20) term. The pricing forms and instructions are in Appendix A of this RFP.

1.5 SO-REC Purchase Contracts

Two (2) different types of bidders may elect to participate in this RFP:

- Property owners who will own the on-site solar system
- Third-party Developers who will construct and own the on-site solar system on the premises of the customer

Contracts for the purchase of SO-RECs will reflect the differences in these two approaches.

All specifications and pricing contained within a proposal **must** be consistent with the applicable provisions set forth in the SRPC for the appropriate bidder type. Bidders must submit a proposal that completely comports with the SRPC.

If, after submitting a proposal that completely comports with the SRPC, a bidder desires to propose changes to language in the appropriate SRPC that would reduce bidder's proposed pricing, it may do so. The proposal should specifically identify such changes and the associated price reduction, as SRPC Exceptions that Reduce Price (see Narrative Topics under Section 3.2 of this RFP).

1.6 Environmental and Renewable Energy Credits

For purposes of this solicitation, each SO-REC represents one-megawatt hour (MWh) of renewable energy. Under the terms of the SRPC, the sale of SO-RECs to Public Service includes the transfer to Public Service of all environmental and renewable energy credits associated with the solar energy production.

1.7 Solar Rebate

Public Service will offer a \$200,000 rebate to Public Service retail customers for Solar systems bid into this RFP. This rebate will not be paid to electric customers of other utilities or to third party developers. This rebate is calculated using the standard rebate offer of \$2.00 per watt DC up to a maximum of 100kW per system, pursuant to CPUC Rule 3658, and is based on the minimum required capacity for On-Site solar systems bid into this RFP of 100kW DC.

Public Service retail customers who receive the \$200,000 rebate will be obligated to assure that the On-Site solar system remains operational for the entire twenty (20) year contract term of the related SRPC. The rebate will be paid only to the Public Service retail customer at the installation address. This rebate may be subsequently assigned to a different party with the written approval of the Public Service retail customer

The rebate payment to Public Service retail customers will be taken into account when evaluating bids into this program, using a net present value calculation for both rebate and SO-REC bid by the Public Service customer.

Should the On-Site solar system not provide SO-REC production as detailed in the SRPC, the Public Service customer receiving the rebate will be required to refund

a prorated share of the rebate payment to Public Service. The proration will be five (5) percent per year to coincide with the twenty (20) year term.

1.8 Special Conditions For Third-party Developers In Public Service's Service Territory

So that Public Service can meet its SO-REC obligations under the RES, Public Service wants to encourage third-party developers to install, own, maintain, and finance on-site solar systems at Public Service customer sites and to transfer the SO-RECs to Public Service. To accomplish this objective, the following arrangements will apply:

1. The retail customer will continue to purchase the energy needed beyond the energy supplied by the on-site solar system from Public Service at the standard tariff rate and the Company will purchase any excess energy generated by the on-site solar system from the customer under the Company's net metering tariff.
2. Public Service will own and read the kWh production meter.
3. Third-party Developers will execute a Sale Of Electricity Acknowledgement for each customer-sited solar installation.
4. Third-party Developers will provide Public Service with the Public Service customer name, contact, and phone number with their bid.
5. Third-party Developers will be able to set their own price for solar energy sold to the Public Service retail customer from the on-site solar installation.
6. Third-party Developers will enter into the Interconnection Agreement and SRPC with Public Service.

1.9 Solar*Rewards Rebate Contracts

The rebate shall be supplied to the Public Service customer under either the Customer-Owned or the Third-Party Developer model. The contract must be entered into by the end-use (host) customer.

Section 2. Proposal Logistics

2.1 Schedule

As shown on the following schedule, Public Service will host a pre-bid meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2009. Proposals are due by 4 PM, Mountain Standard Time, Friday, November 20, 2009. Public Service will announce the bid winners by Friday, December 4, 2009.

Activity	Date
Pre-Bid Meeting	Thursday, September 24, 2009
Proposals Due	Friday, November 20, 2009
Short-list Selected	Friday, December 4, 2009

2.2 Pre-Bid Conference

Time: -9:30 am - Noon (MT)
Date: Thursday, September 24, 2009
Location: Technical Services Building
550 15th Street, Denver, CO 80202
Room 019 (Basement)

Interested parties and bidders are encouraged to provide written questions to Public Service (email to pamela.j.newell@xcelenergy.com) prior to the pre-bid meeting so that issues may be addressed in a timely manner.

2.3 Proposal Submission

Bids will be accepted until 4:00 P.M. Mountain Standard Time on Friday, November 20, 2009. All bids must be transmitted by express, certified or registered mail, or hand delivered to the Public Service Solar*Rewards RFP Project Manager at the following address:

Public Service Solar*Rewards RFP Project Manager

Pam Newell
Xcel Energy Services Inc.
5050 N. Service Drive
Winona MN 55987
pamela.j.newell@xcelenergy.com
507.457.1249
800.252. 4371

RFP website: www.xcelenergy.com/rfp under Solar*Rewards RFP

Proposals received later than the due date and time indicated will be rejected and returned unopened, unless Public Service determines, in its sole discretion, that extenuating circumstances led to late delivery. Two (2) hardcopies of the proposal must be included in the submittal. In addition, bidders must submit one electronic copy on a CD or disc in a Microsoft Excel format.

Proposals must be submitted in a sealed package with the following information shown on the package:

Response to 2009 Solar*Rewards RFP

Confidential Sealed Bid Proposal

The bidder's Company name and address must be clearly indicated on the package containing the proposal.

2.4 Information Policy

To obtain additional information about this RFP, bidders may only submit written requests. These requests should be sent to the Public Service Solar*Rewards RFP Project Manager. Questions or requests may be transmitted via email, fax, or U.S mail; email is preferred. Public Service will maintain a log of all inquiries and coordinate the preparation of a written response. Once a response is prepared, Public Service will forward it to the inquiring party and all other bidders who have provided an email address. Parties without email addresses will not receive these responses. The questions and responses will also be posted on the www.xcelenergy.com/solar website under Solar*Rewards RFP. Public Service has established this information policy to ensure that all bidders have the same knowledge about the bidding process.

2.5 Bid Evaluation Fees

Bidders must include a non-refundable bid evaluation fee of \$500 with each proposal for each ON-SITE SOLAR site. Checks should be made out to "Public Service Company of Colorado" and must be submitted as part of the bid proposal(s).

A proposal consists of the following – one proposed installation address, one SO-REC delivery amount for each year, a twenty-year (20) contract term length, and one set of prices (a price for each year of contract term). Proposals that vary any of these conditions constitute multiple proposals and as such will require an additional bid evaluation fee.

2.6 Proposal Forms

All proposals must include a complete set of forms for each bid. Using the forms will ensure consistency in bid submission, interpretation and evaluation by Public Service. If a bidder is submitting more than one proposal, a separate set of forms must be submitted for each proposal. The forms, together with instructions for each form, are provided in Appendix A to this RFP. Each bid alternative will require a separate set of forms and a separate bid evaluation fee.

2.7 Clarification of Proposals

While evaluating proposals, Public Service may request additional information about any item in the proposal. Such requests will be made in writing usually via email. The bidder is required to provide a written response to the Public Service Solar*Rewards RFP Project Manager within five (5) business days, or Public Service may deem the bidder to be non-responsive and stop evaluating the bid. To facilitate meeting the five-day response timeframe, Public Service encourages bidders to provide one or more alternate points of contact for these questions, with email being the preferred method of communication.

2.8 Representations

Public Service is a public utility with an on-going obligation to serve its customers. This RFP does not commit Public Service to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal in response to this RFP or to procure or contract for any services offered in response to this RFP. Public Service reserves the right to modify or withdraw this RFP, to negotiate with all qualified bidders to resolve technical or contractual specifications, and/ or to reject any or all responses and to terminate contract development discussions at any time. Prior to the execution of a contract, Public Service reserves the right to:

- Request from a bidder information that is not explicitly detailed in this document,
- Reject any or all proposals,
- Reject any proposals that, at Public Service's sole discretion, are not complete or contain irregularities, or waive irregularities in any bid that is submitted,
- Accept or reject any proposals not received on or before the due date specified,
- Accept other than the lowest cost proposal(s),
- Obtain clarification from bidders concerning proposals,
- Conduct contract development discussions with selected bidders.

2.9 Confidentiality

Each page of the RFP response should be clearly identified as to whether it contains confidential or proprietary information. Public Service reserves the right to release any proposals to agents or consultants for purposes of proposal evaluation. Public Service's disclosure standards and policies will contractually bind such agents or consultants. Regardless of the confidentiality, all such information may be subject to review by the appropriate state jurisdiction, or any other governmental authority or judicial body with jurisdiction relating to these matters and may be subject to legal discovery. Under such regulatory and legal circumstances, Public Service will make all reasonable efforts to preserve bidders' confidential information, including requesting that it be filed under seal.

2.10 Addenda to RFP

Public Service reserves the right to modify or supplement this RFP by issuing one or more addenda at any time during this solicitation. Such addenda shall become a part of this RFP and any additional responses required of bidder by any such addenda shall become part of each proposal.

2.11 Proof Of Solar Equipment

At the time of executing the SRPC, the Respondent will provide proof of access/purchase of solar equipment for projects reflected in this RFP as an invoice or purchase order.

Section 3. Bid Submittal

3.1 Minimum Bid Eligibility Requirements

This section lists the minimum requirements that all proposals must meet to be eligible to participate in this solicitation. Proposals that do not comply with these requirements will be deemed ineligible and will not be considered for further evaluation.

- Proposals must include all applicable content requirements described in Section 3.2, including clear and complete written descriptions of all information requested and completed forms.
- Bids must clearly specify all pricing terms. Any and all indexed prices and/or price escalations must be fully explained. Indices used to escalate prices must be very closely related to the price being escalated. Public Service will reject bids escalating items with general indices (e.g. CPI or GDP_IPD) and will not evaluate them further. Bid pricing must be valid and binding upon bidder for at least 270 days after the proposal due date.

3.2 Proposal Content Requirements

This section outlines the content and format requirements for all proposals submitted in response to this 2009 Solar*Rewards RFP. Proposals that do not include the information requested in this section will be ineligible for further evaluation, unless the information requested is not applicable or relevant to a given bid. If it appears that certain information is inadvertently omitted from a proposal, Public Service may contact the bidder to obtain the additional information.

The first section of each proposal must contain an Executive Summary that provides an overview of the bid's characteristics, including any unique aspects or benefits. The second section of the proposal must include the set of forms included in Appendix A. These forms will contain essential information about each bid, and a separate set of forms and related information must be submitted with each proposal. The third section of the proposal must include other proposal information, which must be in narrative form under specific topic headings.

A complete proposal will include the following three components:

1. Executive Summary
2. Complete set of applicable forms (including any necessary notes or attachments to elaborate on form information.)
3. Narrative Topics Discussion (two topics described below)

The proposal forms and topic headings are described below.

- Form A Bid Certification Form
- Form B Bid Cover Sheet
- Form C Technical Description
- Form D Construction Milestones
- Form E Supply Amount & SO-REC Bid Form

Appendix A includes detailed descriptions of each of these forms, as well as any special instructions for completing the forms.

Narrative Topics

In addition to completed forms, each proposal must also include a thorough written discussion of each of the following two topics. The narrative topics should be organized under the following headings, with each heading beginning on a separate page.

- Project Development Schedule
- SO-REC Production Profile

Project Development Schedule. All proposals must provide a detailed schedule of project development activities and target completion dates for engineering, permitting, equipment procurement, construction, start-up and commissioning. Describe the overall development strategy that will ensure that the project can be developed in time to meet the proposed commercial operation date.

SO-REC Production Profile (data to be provided in Microsoft Excel format). All proposals must provide information on expected annual SO-REC production for each project year. Each bidder must clearly describe anticipated energy production degradation over the term of the contract, and scheduled/anticipated replacement of significant components.

Section 4. Evaluation Process and Assumptions

The bid evaluation process will include an assessment of price factors. The economic evaluation will identify the most cost-effective group of proposals based on each bid's SO-REC price and rebate. The bid evaluation process will involve the following steps. These steps are generally sequential, but certain activities will overlap among steps.

1. Eligibility Screening

The information provided in each bid will first be evaluated for completeness and consistency with the proposal submittal requirements outlined in Section 3 of this RFP. Preliminary due diligence will also be conducted at this stage to identify any "fatal flaws" associated with a bid, such as an unacceptably high level of development or technology risk. As a result of this screening review, Public Service may either eliminate bids from further consideration, or contact bidders to clarify information or request additional information. Given the short amount of time allotted to evaluate the bids, Public Service will limit follow-up contacts to only those bids that meet the minimum eligibility requirements listed in Section 3.1.

2. Economic Analysis

Spreadsheet analysis of remaining bids will be performed to develop a levelized SO-REC price calculation for each bid. These levelized bid SO-REC prices will include all facility capital costs, O&M costs, rebates, avoided energy costs, and any other costs associated with delivering SO-RECs from the facility. All payments by Public Service to the bidders will be evaluated with a net present value (NPV) analysis to determine the most cost-effective bid.

3. Evaluation Assumptions

The following planning assumptions will underlie Public Service's bid evaluation process.

• Utility Discount Rate and Cost of Capital

Public Service will use a discount rate based on its current weighted after-tax cost of capital which will be announced at the time of the RFP's actual release.

- Bonus for Community-Based Projects¹

Public Service is allowed to reflect an additional bonus amount of RECs generated from Community-Based projects. This bonus amount will be calculated and added to the estimated number of RECs produced. This adjusted value will be used in the NPV analysis of the bid when comparing it against other bids made in response to this RFP.

4. Evaluation Team

A bid evaluation team has been formed to develop the RFP, and to evaluate and select bids. Members of the bid evaluation team include personnel from various departments within Public Service, each with different responsibilities, as summarized here.

Work Group	Roles
Marketing & Sales	Bid process management, economic modeling and evaluation
Distribution Access and Distribution Planning groups	Distribution interconnection and infrastructure cost estimates

5. Notification of Bid Results

Public Service intends to notify bidders of the results of the bid evaluation and begin contract development on or about Friday, December 4, 2009. Public Service may enter into contract discussions with a short-list of bidders for proposals that total more or less than the amount of nameplate capacity sought in this solicitation. Public Service may identify a short-list of proposals that includes one or more primary bids plus one or more alternative bids. Public Service will indicate whether bidders have been designated as primary or alternate bids for contract development purposes. To remain under consideration, alternate bids must remain viable and binding upon the bidder through the end of the contract development process.

Short-listed bidders must provide sufficient documentation that they have or will be able to acquire any additional permits necessary beyond those arranged by Public Service to construct the proposed facility. Changes in the terms and conditions of a short-listed bidder's proposal that result in additional cost or conditions to Public Service relative to what was considered in the bid evaluation process may disqualify the bidder from further consideration. Changes in project or equipment specifications during the term of an SRPC will require an amendment to the SRPC.

¹ Under Colorado law and regulation, each kilowatt-hour of solar energy generated within Colorado is counted as generating 1.25 Renewable Energy Credits. Each kilowatt-hour of solar energy generated by a Colorado community-based project, as defined by CPUC Rule 3652(c), is counted as generating 1.5 Renewable Energy Credits.

Section 5. Delivery and Interconnection

5.1 SO-REC Delivery Requirements

The point of delivery for the SO-RECs in response to this RFP will be the customers' On-Site solar installation at their facilities.

Successful bidder(s) will be responsible for providing documentation necessary to obtain interconnection of their On-Site solar installation at each facility.

Bidders may submit a that documentation for Interconnection with Public Service following the procedures outlined in Section 5.2 below at any time.

5.2 Public Service Interconnection Study Requests

Bidders may contact Public Service's Manager of Area Engineering, Chris Pardington.

Mr. Pardington will be Public Service's sole point of contract for all questions and requests related to interconnection studies and questions. His contact information is:

Mr. Chris Pardington
Manager, Area Engineering
Public Service Company of Colorado
1123 West 3rd Avenue
Denver CO 80223

Email: chris.pardington@xcelenergy.com
Phone: 303.571.3511

Bidders should note that any proposals selected through this RFP that involve direct interconnection with the Public Service system will be required to enter into an Interconnection Agreement. Such Interconnection Agreement is a separate and distinct agreement from the SRPC.

Appendix A

Proposal Forms and Instructions

As discussed in Section 3, the completed forms, attachments and narrative topic discussions, will comprise a complete proposal. The contents of each form and any special instructions for completing the forms are described below.

If additional space is needed to elaborate on information requested on any form, please attach additional sheets with the heading "Form ___ - Additional Information."

If certain information is requested that does not apply to the proposal, the bidder must indicate that the information is not applicable. If appropriate, the bidder should explain why the information is not applicable.

In addition to submitting two (2) hardcopies of the proposal, bidders must also include a CD with the completed forms in MS Excel format.

Form A Bid Certification Form

All proposals must include a completed Bid Certification form signed by an officer or other authorized employee of the proposing company. This form will certify that the information in the proposal is accurate, that the pricing includes all costs for the proposed term of service and that the bidder agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions contained in the RFP. Further, the bidder must accept the SRPC included in the RFP, except as specifically noted in writing in the proposal. This form also certifies that all bid terms and pricing are and will remain valid and binding upon the bidder for at least 270 days from the RFP proposal due date.

Form B Bid Cover Sheet

This form requests general information about the bidder, the proposed generation technology, type of sale, and capacity.

Form C Technical Description

This form requests a host of information about the proposed configuration of generation equipment, as well as operational characteristics.

Form D Construction Milestones

This form requests bidders to provide estimated dates for meeting a series of project development and construction milestones for the proposed project.

Please complete forms that are included in the Microsoft Excel file “Public Service SO-REC RFP.xls.” These forms can be downloaded from the RFP web site or on the CD enclosed with the hardcopy of this RFP.

Form E Supply Amount & SO-REC Bid Form

SO-REC Pricing: In Form E - Supply Amount & SO-REC Bid Form, which will be Exhibit 1 of the SRPC, the bidder must provide a SO-REC price in nominal \$/MWh that would be charged to Public Service during each project year. (To clarify, a nominal price for project year 1 would be the actual price charged in project year 1). For proposals that are selected through this RFP, the proposed SO-REC price will be the “Solar*Rewards SO-REC Price” as defined in Article 2 of the SRPC. Public Service will make SO-REC payments to the seller based on the amount of energy produced during a billing period, multiplied by the Solar*Rewards SO-REC Price for that period.

Bidders may propose prices that are either fixed for the term, escalate at a known (non-indexed) rate or escalate with an index that is clearly and very closely related to the item being escalated. Pricing tied to general inflation indices will not be accepted.

Bid prices must include all costs for which bidder intends to seek compensation from Public Service, including electric interconnection.

SO-REC bid prices which vary by more than 10% from one project year to another project year will not be accepted.

SO-REC Quantity: In Form E - Supply Amount & SO-REC Bid Form, which will be Exhibit A of the SRPC, the bidder must also provide a projected number of SO-RECs to be produced during each contract year. The number of projected SO-RECs to be produced each year will be evaluated against data representing expected generation output according to the technology being employed. Annual projection estimates which do not appear reasonable in comparison to that data will be questioned and may cause the bid to be modified or rejected.

Form A – Certification Form

The bidder hereby certifies that all of the statements and representations made in this proposal are true to the best of the bidder's knowledge and belief, and agrees to be bound by the representations, terms, and conditions contained in the RFP. The bidder accepts the contract included in the RFP, except as specifically noted in writing. This proposal is firm and will remain in effect for at least 270 days after the proposal due date.

Submitted by: _____
(exact legal name of firm)

Bidder: _____
(if different than above)

Signature of an officer of bidder: _____

Print or type name of officer: _____

Title: _____

Date Signed: _____

Form B – Bid Cover Sheet

1) Project / Facility Name: _____

2) Project Location (city, county): _____

3) Bidder Contact:

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone / Fax: _____

Email: _____

3) Alternate Bidder Contact:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone / Fax: _____

4) Estimated Peak Nameplate Capacity kW DC: _____

5) Estimated Annual Calendar Year Energy Production (MWh) _____

6) Proposed Construction Start Date: _____

7) Proposed Commercial Operation Date: _____

Form C – Technical Description

- 1) Describe the solar technology, including, for example, the number of proposed PV panels, the number of inverters, ancillary equipment, etc.:**

- 2) Provide relevant specifications about the proposed generation, inverter and other significant equipment such as brand, model, fabricator, rating, size, capabilities, etc.**

- 3) Describe the configuration of the proposed generation equipment:**

- 4) Describe the performance history of major components of the technology as listed above in 1). Provide a list of projects and contact information corresponding to past performance history.**

Form D – Construction Milestones

DATE		RESULTS ACHIEVED
	1	Seller shall establish security in accordance with Section 2.11.
	2	Seller shall provide Public Service with proof of equipment order from manufacturer.
	3	Seller shall provide Public Service with an executed Interconnection Agreement from the utility serving the customer.
	4	Seller shall provide Public Service with copies of applicable inspection reports for the project.
	5	Seller shall have achieved closing on financing for the Facility or have provided Public Service with proof of financial capability to construct the project
	6	Seller shall provide Public Service with evidence of complying with that insurance coverage required prior to the Date of Commercial Operation.
	7	Seller shall have made the Interconnection of the solar generating facility to the Customer's load, and are capable of being energized.
	8	Start-up testing of the project commences
	9	Commercial Operation has been achieved and the date duly recorded.

Form E

Supply Amount & SO-REC Bid Form

Customer Information	
Customer Name **	
Mailing Address	
Contact Email address	
Third Party Developer Information (if applicable)	
Company Name	
Contact Name	
Mailing Address	
Contact Phone	
Contact Email Address	
Solar Facility Installation Information	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
Existing Public Service Customer? (Yes/No)	
If yes, Xcel Energy Account Number	
If yes, Xcel Energy Premise Number	
Projected Date of Commercial Operation	
System nameplate DC output capacity (kW)	

Project Year	SO-REC Production Estimate (MWh)	\$/MWh
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
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