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NYSEG and RG&E Bulk Power Energy Storage Request for Proposals Q&A Document





Q&A Related to the NYSEG and RG&E Draft Bulk Power Energy Storage <u>Request for Proposals¹</u>

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- Q1: Are Projects allowed to participate in both the NYSERDA Index Storage Credit (ISC) RFP and the NYSEG/RG&E 2025 Bulk Energy Storage RFP?
- A1: There is no latitude for the December 31, 2028 in-service (Commercial Operation) date. NYSEG and RG&E would support a developer's petition to the New York State Public Service Commission (NYSPSC) to extend this NYSPSC in-service deadline in the event of project specific issues related to the NYISO's Class Year interconnection process that would delay the project's Commercial Operation Date (COD) beyond the current NYSPSC in-service deadline.
- Q2: Are fuel cell projects eligible to participate in the NYSEG/RG&E Bulk Energy Storage RFP?
- A2: No. Fuel cell projects are not eligible to participate
- Q3: Is there a size cap for projects beyond the "at least 10 MW" requirement?
- A3: The RFP specifies that each utility (NYSEG and RG&E) is required to procure at least 10 MW of energy storage, but this is a minimum, not a cap. The actual amount procured will depend on:
 - Offer prices
 - Availability of funding
 - Utility-defined procurement ceilings
 - There is no explicit maximum project size cap stated in the RFP. However, the utilities reserve the right to procure more or less than the 10 MW target, depending on the value and cost-effectiveness of the offers received.

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- Q4: Can a project be larger than the preferred location capacity (e.g., 80 MW near a 20 MW preferred substation), and only a portion be bid?
- A4: Yes, this is explicitly allowed under the RFP:
 - You can submit a portion of a larger project as an offer.
 - The RFP allows multiple offers from the same bidder, and each offer is defined by a unique Interconnection Point.
 - You can submit variants of a base offer with different Dispatchable Capacities (e.g., 20 MW, 40 MW, etc.), as long as they share the same Interconnection Point.
 - The portion of the project that is offered would need to be metered and controlled separately from the remainder of the project, and would need to be able to separately bid into the NYISO market. As an example:

You have an 80 MW project within 30 miles of a preferred substation that is listed as "up to 20 MW." You can submit a 20 MW portion of that project to the program. This would be treated as a standalone offer, and you could potentially submit additional offers for other portions of the project if they meet the interconnection and metering requirements.

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