

DOMINION ENERGY VIRGINIA RFP FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSET ACQUISITIONS & POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS				
NOTE: This is intended as a resource for commonly asked high level questions on the RFP process. Please email DEVCleanEnergyRFP-Acquisition@dominionenergy.com or DEVCleanEnergyRFP-PPA@dominionenergy.com with more specific questions.				
#	Solicitation	Topic	Question	Response
1	Both	General	Do we need to execute a new NDA (Confidentiality Agreement or CA) for this process?	Dominion requires new NDA agreements for each RFP cycle. The same NDA can be utilized for the Acquisition and PPA. For acquisition projects, the company will evaluate and consider an NDA recently signed within the last year.
2	Both	General	Can you use the same Intent to Bid form for the PPA and Acquisition RFP? Can a bidder submit a proposal for a project not referenced in a submitted intent to bid?	There is a separate Intent to Bid form for Acquisition Proposals and PPA Proposals. Bidders who have submitted Intent-to-Bid forms and/or executed a Confidentiality Agreement may submit proposals for projects not listed on the Intent-to-Bid form as it is non-binding. We prefer that Bidders send us a revised Intent-to-Bid form.
3	PPA	General	Is there any public data on the PPA prices successful bids offered for Dominion’s prior RFPs?	For RFP integrity and confidentiality reasons, Dominion Energy cannot provide successful bid prices from prior RFPs.
4	PPA	General	Is it possible to submit a PPA project Intent to Bid after the due date has passed?	We will accept late Intent to Bid and NDA submittals, however the PPA proposal due dates are firm.
5	Acquisition	General	Are there Acquisition Intent to Bid and Proposal due dates?	No. Development proposals are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year for resources that meet the stated Acquisition RFP scope and requirements. Refer to the Acquisition RFP Scope document for more detail.
6	Both	Storage	The requirements noted in your “2024 Solar/Onshore Wind/Storage RFP - Lithium-ion BESS Spacing and Firewall Supplement” appear to exceed and/or exclude the results of the BESS system level testing done in compliance with the UL9540A testing, as well as NFPA 855. Is this a correct understanding, and that these spacing and Balance of Plant requirements are in addition/exclusive of the recommendations from the results and engineering reports from a UL9540A test as performed by a NRTL?	The spacing and firewall requirements found in the “2024 Solar/Onshore Wind/Storage RFP - Lithium-ion BESS Spacing and Firewall Supplement” and applicable RFP Checklist are in addition to the results and engineering reports from a UL9540A test as performed by a NRTL.
7	Both	Environmental Justice	For EJ requirements, should bidders evaluate their site and the community it resides in based upon the local census block group, or the people within the 1-mile radius of the site as was the basis for the “Printable Standard Report” and the “2016-2020 ACS Report”?	While census block group data can be useful, their size varies based on population density and their boundaries (especially in rural areas) often extend well beyond the potentially affected environment typically expected from renewable energy projects. Dominion has established a 1-mile radius as an estimate for the area where any type of project impact is most likely to occur, and so Dominion considers bids based on community data for the 1-mile radius around the site. It should be noted, screening census data for the 1-mile area to identify EJ populations is only a first step. Developers should strive to get to know the community surrounding a site as much as possible, then plan a public involvement strategy using all available information. Ultimately, bidders need to explain in their submittal the overall approach to community outreach and engagement for a project (e.g., landowner and other one-on-one encounters, interactions, letters, community meetings, public hearings, feedback heard, efforts taken to resolve concerns where feasible, any CUP conditions adopted based on community feedback, etc.).
8	Both	General	Is it possible to get either a list or map of Dominion’s distribution level substations in VA? The more detail (updated control room, transformer # and size, circuits, existing DG applications, etc.) the better, but even a simple name and GPS location would be a great start.	For security reasons Dominion Energy does not make detailed information about substations available to the public. However, there is a Hosting Capacity Tool that can be accessed through our website that may be useful: https://www.dominionenergy.com/projects-and-facilities/electric-projects/energy-grid-transformation/hosting-capacity-tool
9	Both	SharePoint Submission	Proposals must be submitted electronically via the SharePoint Site. Is the submittal process complete once we upload all the required documents to the correct folders?	Once you have uploaded a complete proposal to your dedicated SharePoint please send an email to the appropriate email box (Acquisition or PPA) found on the website and solicitation notifying us of the submission. Please refer to respective RFP Solicitation documents (Acquisition for PPA) for further guidance.
10	PPA	WMPA Distribution connected	Are the PPAs physical PPAs? Do you require a Wholesale Market Participation Agreement (WMPA) at the time the projects are placed in service? Or does the project need to have simply applied for the WMPA?	The PPAs are for physical delivery of all products referenced in the Form PPAs. A WMPA for distribution interconnected projects must have been applied for as a condition of executing a PPA. A project may declare COD prior to receiving the WMPA but the owner must continue diligently pursuing the agreement.
11	Both	Brownfield (Previously Developed Sites)	What would qualify as “administrative orders, consent decrees, or any US or Virginia environmental permits required for operation of the brownfield site” and “environmental land use, deed restrictions, covenants, and/or long term management plans”? Would issuance of a BFPP letter from VADEQ and/or acceptance into the VRP satisfy these requirements?	The intent is to capture any and all documentation related to the status, history, land use restrictions, and ongoing requirements related to the previously developed nature of the site from a legal and regulatory perspective. With that being said, the BFPP letter from VADEQ and/or acceptance into the VRP should be provided to address these requirements. Please be sure to also provide any additional documentation regarding the site as well.
12	Both	General	Is Dominion only looking at projects in Virginia for this RFP?	Yes
13	Both	General	How do I get questions about the RFP answered?	General questions can be directed to the email boxes referenced in the respective solicitation documents and on the website. A new executed Confidentiality Agreement will be needed before we can discuss in more detail the requirements of this RFP.
14	Both	General	If we intend to bid in both the Acquisition and PPA RFPs do we need to set up Sharepoint access twice?	Yes. Each RFP has a separate SharePoint site.
15	Both	DER	What defines a contiguous location and can two or more small scale sites (DER) be sited on adjacent parcels?	A contiguous location would be a project located upon an unbroken expanse of land which may be comprised of one or many separate and/or subdivided properties. Two facilities located on adjacent or neighboring parcels is acceptable if the projects are not seeking to meet the 1% RPS Program Requirement of projects 1MW and smaller. Otherwise, the aggregate of the contiguously located projects cannot exceed 3MW.
16	Both	DER	Can three 1-MW sites be submitted on the same parcel?	Yes, a facility could potentially be constructed as 3 x 1MW generation sites. Be sure to carefully consider the interconnection access and equipment requirements for three distinct facilities.
17	Both	General	Does the solar project owner retain ownership of the renewable energy certificates?	During the term of the PPA or under an APA arrangement, the Company is entitled to the Environmental Attributes of the facility, to include renewable energy certificates. This is included in the “Scope” section of the respective RFP Documents (see website link to RFP documentation).
18	Both	General	What should I do if I have an inquiry for services outside of the scope of the RFP?	We would like to invite your firm to pre-register as a Supplier in our Ariba system: https://www.dominionenergy.com/suppliers/potential-suppliers While we do not guarantee any award of work or participation in sourcing events from this pre-registration, it does help us get familiar with your company, capabilities and qualifications. Once you are in our system, our sourcing agents have the ability to search for Suppliers that suit their specific needs for any given service/materials. You may be contacted at a later time with further questions or details if your firm is selected to participate in a sourcing event. Please cut and paste the link above to Dominion’s pre-registration page, and review our Supplier Code of Ethics document. Use “Join the Ariba network”. Due to the increased volume of Suppliers interested with Dominion, please allow us to reach out to you if we have questions.

DOMINION ENERGY VIRGINIA RFP FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSET ACQUISITIONS & POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS				
NOTE: This is intended as a resource for commonly asked high level questions on the RFP process. Please email DEVCleanEnergyRFP-Acquisition@dominionenergy.com or DEVCleanEnergyRFP-PPA@dominionenergy.com with more specific questions.				
19	Both	General	If we submit a bid in the RFP and that bid gets selected, is there a penalty for withdrawing our bid or declining to move forward with the asset purchase?	The Company expects developers to honor their proposals and work in good faith to come to an executable transaction document if their proposal is selected.
20	Acquisition	General	Is Dominion considering rooftop projects for the Acquisition RFP?	The company is considering any and all projects, including rooftop, that meet the size and other requirements of the RFP.
21	Acquisition	General	Will Dominion Energy accept site control agreements known as "Option's to Own land" (purchase), where Dominion Energy would be required to buy the land if they chose to build the solar project, as opposed to the more common "Option to Lease?"	Dominion will accept “Options to Own Land” (purchase) for acquisition projects.
22	Both	General	Is there a fee to participate in the RFP?	There is no payment required to participate in either the Acquisition RFP or PPA RFP.
23	Both	General	Are out of state participants encouraged?	Yes. But please note that projects must be located in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and DER (distributed energy resources) projects must be located in Dominion Energy Virginia's service territory.
24	Acquisition	General	What is your preferred DC:AC ratio for solar projects?	Our preference would be DC:AC ratios above 1.25; preferably 1.3.
25	Both	General	Do you accept behind-the-meter proposals for either RFP?	We do not accept behind-the-meter acquisition proposals. The smaller distributed generation(DER) projects owned by the company will serve Dominion Energy Virginia customers and so must be in front of the customer meter. For PPAs, while distributed energy resource (DER) projects of less than 3 MWac are not eligible for net metering, they will be located behind-the-meter in the sense of being behind Dominion’s load meters. Any utility-scale (greater than 3 MWac) PPAs will be in front of the meter and registered as PJM capacity resources.
26	Acquisition	General	What stage of development does Dominion prefer to acquire a project?	We typically acquire a project at "EPC- ready" /pre-NTP (notice to proceed) (i.e., fully informed and ready for an EPC RFP). In addition, within the scope of the acquisition RFP, Dominion will accept projects at that are 5MWac or less at mechanical completion.
27	Both	General	Are projects sited in Energy Communities preferred?	Yes - The IRA provides benetits for projects in Energy Communities. Those financial benefits pass directly to our customers and provide additional value to our customers in ensuring we deliver clean, reliable and affordable electricity.
28	Both	Environmental Justice	For the EPA EJ docs & maps, is the 1-mile from the project boundary or from the POI?	Please use the project boundary.
29	Both	Site Control	Are there any alternatives to providing lease/land agreements to prove site control?	We ask that you demonstrate site control to the greatest extent possible. The better it is demonstrated, the more favorably the project will be evaluated.
30	PPA	DER	Is it required for the solar DG 3 MW and less systems to apply for PJM membership, or would being a PURPA qualified facility through FERC suffice?	Dominion does not require solar facilities of 3 MW or less to be either a PJM member or register as a Qualifying Facility with FERC.
31	PPA	Storage	Regarding the standalone energy storage RFP, could you please advise to the below: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are the MWh flat for 20 years? Or, can they decline on a guaranteed schedule?• what are the requirements for communication and control? (technical requirements)	All storage services agreements have a term of 15 years. Dominion anticipates the Expected Storage Capacity to decline over time unless the Facility is augmented by the Seller. Monthly Storage Payments are based on the Effective Discharge Capacity, which is subject to revision via annual Storage Capacity Tests, so declining MWh would result in declining monthly payments. Please consult the Form Storage Services Agreement, especially Article X and Appendix B, for detail. Technical requirements for communication and control will be discussed in detail between the parties as the facility gets close to commercial operation. On a high level, Seller needs to have operators available 24x7 to respond to verbal charging/discharging instructions from Dominion’s Market Operations Center, and the facility must be equipped with Automatic Generation Control (AGC) with the ability to follow PJM dispatch signals.
Updated - April 24, 2025				