# Phase 1 – Transmission Fixed Incentives Tranche 1

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| Pre-Qualification Request Verified submission of separate Pre-Qualification Request form  Bidder Contact Information Name, Title, Email, Phone Number.  Project Information Completed address, acreage, Commercial Operations Date (COD), guaranteed COD, MW capacity, MWh capacity, Capacity Interconnection Rights (CIRs), and PJM queue ID.  **Bid Price**  **Community Benefits/OBC Benefits/Brownfield Redevelopment Claimed** Yes  No |

**ABSENCE OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING 14 ITEMS MAY BE GROUNDS TO REJECT THE BID:**

# Site Plan GIS File

Upload of ZIP shapefile (or KMZ) including .shp, .shx, .dbf, .prj files.

# Interconnection Documentation

Upload of Interconnection Agreement or equivalent CIR-related documentation.

# Evidence of Site Control

Upload of lease, deed, or similar documentation.

# Permitting Evidence

Upload of secured permits, execution plan for obtaining all required permits the applicant has not yet secured, supporting documents evidencing permitting status. Such evidence may include submitted applications, schedule projections and related correspondence with the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). Note that an execution plan is not required if an applicant can demonstrate they already have all necessary permits.

# Financial Means Evidence

Upload of audited financials, funding commitments, bank letters, past development experience, etc.

# Revenue Evidence

Upload of PJM revenue projections, PPAs, LOIs, or market registration.

# Solar Facility Description (if applicable)

Required for storage paired with grid-supply solar.

1. **Safety and Code Compliance Evidence**

UL 9540/9540A certification ***and*** one of the following:

Compliance plan

NJ PE letter

Safety and Code Compliance Plan

1. **Transmission & Resource Planning Alignment**

Upload of coordination statement with PJM and utility.

# Application Fee

Upload of completed Bid Fee Form and photo of non-refundable application fee check. ($200/MW)

# Project Milestones

Projected completion of milestone dates (e.g., EPC, financial close, construction, CODs).

# Cost Structure Tables

Completion of Installation Costs, Operating Costs, Financing, and Revenue tables.

# Certification

Signed certification by project principal.

**OPTIONAL DOCUMENTATION:**

**Confidentiality Claims (if applicable)**

Upload of redacted public version and affidavit per N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.

# Other Relevant Documents (optional)

**Community Benefits Documentation**

Upload of evidence for claimed community benefits, if any, such as brownfield redevelopment demonstrated benefits to overburdened communities where a transmission-scale energy storage system is proposed to be located, and/or other community benefits (community outreach, economic impact, grid reliability, etc).

**STAFF RECOMMENDED PROJECT MATURITY TIE BREAKER:**

In the June 18, 2025, GSESP Launch Order, the Board retained discretion on how to handle bid price ties in the Tranche 1 solicitation. Board Staff plans to recommend that, in the event of a price tie between two projects that provide roughly equivalent community benefits, the Board break the tie by ranking projects according to the following indicia of project maturity:

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| 1. Projects with full permit approvals will be ranked highest 2. Projects with submitted ministerial\* application will be ranked next highest 3. Projects with submitted non-ministerial applications will be ranked next highest 4. Projects with application submission schedule will be ranked next highest |

For the purposes of ranking projects for tie-breaking permits, a ministerial permit is a non-discretionary permit that an Authority Having Jurisdiction must grant when standards are met; this includes electrical and building permits. In contrast, a non-ministerial permit is a discretionary permit that an Authority Having Jurisdiction can grant or deny based on its independent consideration of the relevant factors; this includes zoning exemptions and Pinelands Commission approvals.

Applicants are advised to take the above into account when preparing their final application packages.