

- 1. The guideline for land bid submission says “send by e-mail”. We will not be able to send the entire package by e-mail due to very large size. We can provide it in a form of a download link instead. Will this be sufficient? How should our Exhibits be submitted?**

No, the submission cannot in the form of a download link.

The limit for email is 50 MBs. A proponent can submit a response in multiple if the total attachment size of the proposal is greater than the 50MB email limit.

Bidders are encouraged to submit early to avoid technical issues.

- 2. Whether or not an ancillary service should be included with the proponent submission or submitted independently to access lands that may be required?**

Bidders should identify all Crown Land including land needed for ancillary service(s) which may be outside of the area of the Call for Bids.

- 3. Can you elaborate on the benefits plan that is required to be submitted after winning a bid? Is this benefit plan a hard commitment?**

Yes, the benefits plan summary is required in response to Q61 on page 25 of the guidelines. This is a hard commitment.

A detailed benefits plan will be required if the respondent receives a Wind Application Recommendation Letter. This is also a hard commitment.

- 4. Will proponents be allowed to assign the exclusive rights granted to successful proponents to a newly formed project entity controlled by the bidder following the receipt of the letter?**

The Wind Application Recommendation Letter will be issued to the project entity that has submitted a successful Bid and must be the same entity applying for Crown Lands.

- 5. Will answers to non-scored questions be taken into consideration (indirectly) when establishing the maximum score for each scored question?**

As per section 5 of the Guidelines: Crown Lands Call for Bids for Wind Energy Projects, submission responses are evaluated using the Scored Criteria Evaluation Scale in section 5.1, while others are required but not directly scored.

- 6. Confirm that there is no financial bid portion to the application, specifically this section of the guidelines (P16):
IET also reserves the right to enter into other post-submission discussions with any one or more bidder(s) regarding price, project scope, or any other**

term of a bid submission, and such other terms as IET will require, and to request additional information and clarification regarding any bid, which will also be included in final decisions.

An error in the guidance document has been amended to remove the reference to pricing. See Section 6.7 of the Guidelines: Crown Land Call for Bids for Wind Energy.

7. Can Bidders submit a bid, identifying that a wind farm forms part of the project without identifying partners to develop of the wind farm portion of the project?

Stand-alone hydrogen production projects will not be considered as part of the Crown land bid submission process. All project partners must be detailed in keeping with the Guidelines.

8. How will letters of support impact the call for bid process?

See section 4. A Bidder and Section E. Community and Indigenous Engagement of the Guidelines: Crown Land Call for Bids for Wind Energy Projects

9. Are there any variations/impacts to the process for groups that will be collecting water from, and producing ammonia and hydrogen on, private lands as opposed to crown lands? If so, what are they?

All fresh water sources belongs to the Crown irrespective of land ownership. All land whether private or crown must be identified in bidder's submission.

10. Are only project owners required to provide attestations for Q5, Q6, and Q7 (i.e the proponent and owners of the proponent)? The scope of the requirement is unclear where it uses only the word "partners".

Attestations must be provided for all partners detailed in Q4 on page 20 of the Guidelines: Crown Land Call for Bids for Wind Energy.

11. Will successful proponents be permitted to make changes to their design and structure following receipt of the Wind Application Recommendation letter?

The Wind Application Recommendation Letter will be issued for the project outlined in the successful Bid. IET recognizes that changes to project design and structure may need to occur based upon subsequent exploratory work, any requirements of Crown lands and EA processes, and to remain compliant with municipal, provincial and federal legislation. However, the final project design and structure should be substantially along the lines of the project outlined in the successful Bid.

12. If crown land submissions for stand-alone wind energy projects will not be considered in this process, is there a future planned process to utilize crown land for stand-alone wind projects?

Stand-alone wind projects will not be considered as part of the Crown land bid submission process. Planned process to utilize Crown land for stand-alone wind projects may be considered in the future.

16. Our question is with respect to the scoring of Section D. The scoring shown in the template is predicated on a project actually being grid-connected. How will scoring be adjusted/allocated for projects that will not be grid-connected? Presumably removing the complications associated with grid connection should be favourable to a project proposal - how will this be reflected in the scoring?

Please refer to the bid criteria and the process for evaluating the bids in the Guidelines.