



**State of Rhode Island  
Department of Administration / Division of Purchases  
One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island 02908-5855  
Tel: (401) 574-8100 Fax: (401) 574-8387**

**Solicitation Information  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

**ADDENDUM # 1**

**RFQ# 7602845**

**TITLE: Clean Energy Non-Wires Solutions Technical Consulting and  
Inspection Services**

**Submission Deadline is:**

**Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 11:00 am (EST)**

**Note to vendors:**

**Attached includes:**

- **Questions received with answers. No more questions will be answered.**

**Max Righter  
Senior Buyer**

*Interested parties should monitor this website, on a regular basis, for any additional information that may be posted*



## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Department of Administration  
Division of Purchases  
One Capitol Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Providence, RI 02908

TEL: (401) 574-8100  
FAX: (401) 574-8387  
TDD: (401) 574-8228  
Website: [www.ridop.ri.gov](http://www.ridop.ri.gov)

### Questions Received

Solicitation #7602845

### Clean Energy Non-Wires Solutions Technical Consulting and Inspection Services

1. Will ink signatures still be required or would electronic signatures be accepted on the required forms and documents considering the ongoing impact of COVID-19?

**Answer: Electronic signatures will be acceptable.**

2. Will hand delivery of documents still be accepted?

**Answer: Proposals are required to be submitted in hard copy to the Division of Purchases. Bid proposal submission deadlines will be delayed until such time that it is deemed to be in the best interest of the State of Rhode Island to proceed with public bid openings.**

3. Can you further define if the projects that will be evaluated are expected to be submitted from Developers or from the Municipal Utilities?

**Answer: Eligible applicants are limited to Pascoag Utility District (PUD) and Block Island Utility District (BIUD). According to Section 3 Task 1 of the Request for Proposals: "The selected vendor will work with OER to evaluate and score project proposals submitted by applicants for financial incentives. The application includes descriptions of grid needs, proposed clean energy non-wires solution, how the clean energy non-wires solution addresses the grid need, the alternative traditional wires solution, cost comparison, and project timeline. Additional technical documentation including but not limited to all appropriate electrical diagrams and spec sheets for major components, supplied by the applicant." Therefore, it will be at the discretion of the applicant – PUD or BIUD – to adapt or directly use materials from any project developer within their application.**

4. Who is the responsible party to define the grid constraint/need?

**Answer: The applicant – in this case, PUD or BIUD – is responsible for defining the grid constraint/need within their application.**

5. For the Cost Proposal, should ongoing costs such as Project Management be split up across the sample project budget or included as a separate Task?

**Answer: The bidder may separate ongoing costs such as Project Management into a separate task.**