

Q 1: Is it possible to aggregate several projects in the same location/ area to achieve the minimum projects size requirement of 20MW?

The aggregated projects need to be contiguous and will require a single interconnection point in order to meet the minimum project size requirement. For more information please refer to the following references in the RFO Document:

- Section 4.0 of the RFO Document stipulates that the Project Description Form must describe “the (singular) substation at which the project interconnects,” and the project must submit “the (singular) Phase II study”; and
- Section 9.0 of the RFO Document defines 5 criteria that a conforming project must meet; in particular a single location is a set of contiguous parcels not bisected by a right of way.

Q 2: Would projects with contracts longer than 15 years or average deliveries over 250 GWh be discarded prior to the LCBF evaluation?

Yes, SDG&E will not consider projects with terms longer than 15 years, or those with deliveries in excess of 250 GWh/year. The 15 year limit is set in the Resource Criteria (7.0) of the RFO Document, and the limitation of 250 GWh/year was discussed during the pre-bid conference (see also Q4).

Q 3: Is it SDG&E’s intention to sign PPAs with project COD’s in January 2020 at the earliest, preferring COD’s in 2018 or later?

SDG&E will shortlist a project or projects on a contingent need basis. If a contract with a shortlisted project is ultimately executed, the date on which contractual energy deliveries to SDG&E will begin will be no earlier than January 2020, and no later than December 2021. Projects may start deliveries as early as January 2016; however, SDG&E’s preference is that deliveries should start in 2018 or later (see also Q5).

Q 4: Is the 250 GWh/year maximum an expected or guaranteed amount of energy per year? Is this an average amount or an annual estimate?

250GWh/year is the expected annual energy delivered per year.

Q 5: Please explain the difference between the COD and the actual contract start date?

The COD is the date on which a project commences commercial operation, and the actual contract start date is the date specified in the power purchase agreement on which SDG&E begins to take deliveries. A project may sell power to an entity other than SDG&E until the start of deliveries under a power purchase agreement with SDG&E.