



INVITATION TO BID

THE JOINT COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE AGGREGATED BASELOAD SUPPLY OF LUZON ON-GRID ECs: ALECO, BENECO, CASURECO I, CASURECO II, CENPELCO, INEC, ISECO, ISELCO I, ISELCO II, KAELCO, MOPRECO, NEECO II-A2, PANELCO III, PELCO I, PRESCO, SORECO I, TARELCO I, and TARELCO II

1. The On-Grid Luzon Electric Cooperatives (“ECs”), duly organized by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, to be included in this Joint Competitive Selection Process (the “Joint CSP”) are the following (collectively, the “Member ECs”):
 - a. Albay Electric Cooperative. Inc., (“ALECO”)
 - b. Benguet Electric Cooperative (“BENECO”)
 - c. Camarines Sur I Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“CASURECO I”)
 - d. Camarines Sur II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“CASURECO II”)
 - e. Central Pangasinan Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“CENPELCO”)
 - f. Ilocos Norte Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“INEC”)
 - g. Ilocos Sur Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“ISECO”)
 - h. Isabela I Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“ISELCO I”)
 - i. Isabela II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“ISELCO II”)
 - j. Kalinga-Apayao Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“KAELCO”)
 - k. Mountain Province Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“MOPRECO”)
 - l. Nueva Ecija II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“NEECO II-A2”)
 - m. Pangasinan III Electric Cooperative (“PANELCO III”)
 - n. Pampanga I Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“PELCO I”)
 - o. Pampanga Rural Electric Service Cooperative, Inc. (“PRESCO”)
 - p. Sorsogon I Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“SORECO I”)
 - q. Tarlac I Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“TARELCO I”)
 - r. Tarlac II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“TARELCO II”)
2. The National Electrification Administration (“NEA”) is a government-owned and controlled corporation organized and existing by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal address at 57 NIA Road, Diliman, Quezon City (the “NEA Main Office”).
3. In accordance with prevailing regulations, the NEA shall conduct this Joint CSP for and on behalf of the Member ECs for the procurement of their respective baseload power supply requirements in accordance with the Power Supply Procurement Plan of each Member EC.
4. The duly constituted Special Bids and Awards Committee (“NEA SBAC”) for this Joint CSP invites all interested and qualified power suppliers (hereinafter referred to as “Interested Bidders”) to participate in the competitive bidding as indicated in the Terms of Reference, to wit:

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Areas to be Served	Coverage areas of each Member EC that are connected to the Luzon Grid																								
Demand Requirement	Baseload Demand																								
Type of Contract	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Power Supply Agreement (“PSA”). • All Winning Bidders shall enter into individual PSAs with each of the Member ECs based on the Winning Bidders’ Offered Contract Capacity. • The Offered Contract Capacity of the Winning Bidders shall be proportionally distributed and allocated to each Member EC based on the latter’s respective Monthly Contract Capacity included in the Aggregated Contract Capacity per year. 																								
Price Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity-based PSA for the Capital Recovery Fee (“CRF”) and Fixed Operation and Maintenance Fee (“FOMF”) components. • Variable Operation and Maintenance Fee (“VOMF”) and Fuel Cost (“FC”) components, if any, shall strictly be based on actual energy delivered. 																								
Nominated Physical Power Plant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bidder may nominate more than one (1) Physical Power Plant to supply its Offered Contract Capacity (the “Nominated Physical Power Plants”), provided that the Bidder’s Nominated Physical Power Plants must be of the same technology and use the same kind of fuel. • Bidder’s Nominated Physical Power Plant/s should be in commercial operation no later than October 2024. • As of Bid Submission Date, the Bidder’s Nominated Physical Power Plant/s must be technically capable of producing the Bidder’s maximum Offered Contract Capacity for this Transaction. • If the Nominated Physical Power Plant has multiple units, each unit must have a minimum net dependable capacity of 50 MW. • The Bidder’s Nominated Physical Power Plant/s must be capable of generating its capacity for twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week (24/7). • This Transaction shall be open to all kinds of technology that can technically and adequately supply the baseload demand of the Member ECs. 																								
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Bid price in Philippine Peso per kilowatt-hour (PhP/kWh)	For the purpose of evaluation, the Levelized Cost of Electricity (“LCOE”) rate, in PhP/kWh, shall be subject to a predetermined <i>Ceiling Price</i> , which shall only be revealed during the opening of the bids.																																							
Contracted Capacity	Firm and Dispatchable supply up to the Bidder’s Offered Contract Capacity. The Aggregated Contract Capacity of all the Member ECs per annum are provided below. The Member ECs shall individually																																							

utilize the Winning Bidder's Offered Contract Capacity at 65% Monthly Minimum Capacity Utilization Factor ("CUF").

Table 1.

Year	Aggregated Contract Capacity (in MW)	Monthly Minimum CUF
2024	262.00	65%
2025	468.50	65%
2026	497.00	65%
2027	506.00	65%
2028	522.50	65%
2029	578.50	65%
2030	584.00	65%
2031	589.00	65%
2032	594.00	65%
2033	598.00	65%
2034	601.00	65%
2035	601.00	65%
2036	601.00	65%
2037	601.00	65%
2038	601.00	65%
2039	597.00	65%

- The Monthly Contract Capacity per Member EC per annum is provided in the Transaction Documents.
- Notwithstanding the 65% Monthly Minimum CUF, the Winning Bidders must make available for dispatch the monthly Offered Contract Capacity per individual Member EC, subject to allowable outages.

Bid Type

- Pay-as-Bid
- The Bidder shall submit an offer and commit to a fixed percentage of the total Aggregated Contract Capacity to be supplied to the Member ECs, which fixed percentage shall be the same for all Member ECs for the entire contract Term ("Offered Contract Capacity").
- The Bidder's Offered Contract Capacity shall neither be below 20% nor beyond 50% of the Aggregated Contract Capacity for any given year. Bids with an offer lower or higher than the allowable Offered Contract Capacity shall be rejected outright and shall be a cause to disqualify the Bidder.

Tariff Structure

The Total Generation Charge shall be unbundled into components as follows:

$$Total\ Generation\ Charge = CRF_{CUF} + FOMF_{CUF} + VOMF + FC$$

Capital Recovery Fee ("CRF"): The CRF_{CUF} shall be calculated as the product of the Capital Recovery Rate (" CRR_{CUF} "), in PhP/kWh , and the energy delivered during the Billing Period or the equivalent associated energy based on the Monthly Minimum CUF, whichever is higher.

- Without exception, no form of indexation shall be allowed for the CRF_{CUF} .

Fixed O&M Fee ("FOMF"): The $FOMF_{CUF}$ shall be calculated as the product of the Fixed O&M Rate (" $FOMR_{CUF}$ "), in PhP/kWh , and the energy delivered during the Billing Period or the

equivalent associated energy based on the Monthly Minimum CUF, whichever is higher.

- The $FOMR_{CUF}$ may have local and foreign components. The local component of the $FOMR_{CUF}$ shall be adjusted to the Philippine CPI (“PH CPI”), while the foreign component of the $FOMR_{CUF}$ shall be adjusted to the US CPI (“US CPI”) and the applicable foreign exchange rate.
- The CRR_{CUF} and the $FOMR_{CUF}$ shall be determined using the *CUF Table* generated using the Financial Bid Form. The Bidder shall input its CRR_{CUF} and the $FOMR_{CUF}$ at 100% CUF and the Financial Bid Form shall automatically compute the CRR_{CUF} and the $FOMR_{CUF}$ from 99% CUF to 65% CUF. Should the Member EC fail to dispatch the Winning Bidder/s at the Monthly Minimum CUF for a Billing Period, and the Winning Bidder/s have made the same available for dispatch, the Member EC shall pay the Winning Bidder/s the CRR_{CUF} and $FOMR_{CUF}$ for the equivalent associated energy at 65% CUF level.
- The CUF shall be calculated in accordance with the formula below:

$$CUF = \frac{Q}{OCC \times (H_T - H_O - H_{FM})}$$

Where

CUF	Capacity Utilization Factor
Q	Energy delivered during the Billing Period or the equivalent associated energy based on the Monthly Minimum CUF, whichever is higher
OCC	Offered Contract Capacity, stated in kW
H_T	Total number of hours in the Billing Period
H_O	The Equivalent Hours of actual Planned Outages and Unplanned Outages in the Billing Period.
H_{FM}	The Equivalent Hours of actual outages due to Force Majeure in the Billing Period.

- The formula to calculate the H_O and H_{FM} shall be provided in the Final Transaction Documents.

Variable O&M Fee (“VOMF”): The VOMF shall be calculated as the product of the Variable O&M Rate (“VOMR”), in PhP/kWh, and the actual energy delivered for the Billing Period.

- The VOMR may have local and foreign components. The local component of the VOMR shall be adjusted to the PH CPI, while the foreign component of the VOMR shall be adjusted to the US CPI and the applicable foreign exchange rate.
- The VOMF shall be strictly based on actual energy delivered for the Billing Period.

Fuel Cost (“FC”): Unless revised in the Final Transaction Documents, the FC shall be calculated as the product of: (i) the Fuel Price (“FP”); (ii) the Fuel Consumption Rate (“FCR”); and (iii) the actual energy delivered for the Billing Period.

- The FC shall be a pass-through cost.
- For the FP:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the Bidder shall be allowed to nominate up to two (2) Nominated Fuel Indices representing its fuel commodity cost, provided that the Bidder shall also indicate the share or weight of each Nominated Fuel Index. For purposes of evaluation, the weighted average of the Bidder’s Nominated Fuel Index/Indices for the period of January 2024 to June 2024 shall be used. The Bidder may offer any premium and/or discount on the fuel commodity cost, provided that the indicated premium and/or discount are non-escalating and shall be binding on the Bidder for each year of the contract Term. ○ the Bidder shall be allowed to submit the non-fuel commodity cost that the Bidder intends to recover as part of its FP. For purposes of evaluation, except for taxes, the Bidder must indicate its actual costs of the other non-fuel items for the period of January 2024 to June 2024. During PSA implementation, the non-fuel commodity cost shall be a pass-through cost. However, if the Bidder does not or fails to submit its non-fuel commodity cost, the Bidder waives its right to charge any non-fuel commodity cost to the Member ECs. ○ The FP shall be the lower between: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the resulting value of the Nominated Fuel Index/Indices (applying any premium and/or discount the Bidder may opt to provide on the fuel commodity cost) and the non-fuel commodity cost, if the Bidder intends to recover the non-fuel commodity cost; or ▪ the actual fuel price as billed by the fuel supplier/s (i.e., supported by actual invoices) for the relevant Billing Period. ● For the FCR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Bidder shall be allowed to provide a FCR at different capacity factors (at 1% increments) from 65% to 100% CUF. During the PSA implementation, if the Member EC fails to utilize the Bidder’s Offered Contract Capacity at the Monthly Minimum CUF, the Bidder may apply the higher of its actual consumption rate or the consumption rate corresponding to the Minimum CUF for that Billing Period. <p>Value Added Tax (“VAT”) and Other Charges: Except for VAT, which shall be a pass-through component of the price, all other taxes and government dues, the WESM market fees, and ER 1-94 (Benefits to Host Community) shall be to the account of the Winning Bidder/s.</p>
<p>Evaluation Framework</p>	<p>The Financial Proposal of the Bidders shall be evaluated by calculating the equivalent price in 2024 of the LCOE over the 15-year period from the base bid price and other bid parameters submitted in accordance with the Evaluation Methodology detailed in the Transaction Documents.</p> <p>The LCOE shall be the basis for comparison of bid offers.</p> <p>All the Offered Contract Capacities of the Bidders that meet the <i>Ceiling Price</i> of the LCOE shall be stacked from lowest to highest</p>

	<p>LCOE until the required Aggregated Contracted Capacity is filled up.</p> <p>If the resulting stack of Offered Contract Capacities goes beyond the required Aggregated Contracted Capacity, the Bidder that fills up the last stack (the “Marginal Bid Offer”) shall have its Offered Contract Capacity reduced accordingly up to the extent of the required Aggregated Contracted Capacity at its proposed tariff.</p> <p>For evaluation purposes, the Bidders’ Financial Proposals shall be computed and compared on an ex-VAT basis.</p>
<p>Outage Allowances</p>	<p>Bidders shall submit its committed Scheduled and Unscheduled Outage Allowance (“OA”) provided that the same shall not exceed the allowable outages for similar plant technology under ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2020 entitled “<i>A Resolution Adopting the Interim Reliability Performance Indices and Equivalent Outage Days Per Year of Generating Units.</i>”</p> <p>All Scheduled Outages must be scheduled in accordance with the most recent DOE-approved Grid Operating and Maintenance Program.</p> <p>There will be no carry-over of any unutilized OA for the following years.</p> <p>For evaluation purposes, the Bidder’s submitted Scheduled and Unscheduled OA shall be considered in calculating the LCOE.</p>
<p>Force Majeure</p>	<p>Events of Force Majeure are extraordinary events or circumstances which are not foreseeable or though foreseen, are inevitable and are beyond the will, control, participation, and influence of the affected party. The affected party shall be excused from performance to the extent affected by, and shall not be considered to be in default in respect of, any obligation under the PSA (including any obligation of the Member EC to pay the generation charge for the duration of the Force Majeure event) for so long as the failure to perform such an obligation shall be due to an Event of Force Majeure.</p> <p>The events of and the effect of Force Majeure on the obligations of the parties shall be provided in the PSA.</p>
<p>Replacement Power</p>	<p>Replacement Power will be provided in the following manner:</p> <p>If within Outage Allowance (“OA”), the procurement of any Replacement Power shall be the responsibility of the Member EC. During such period within OA, the Member EC shall source Replacement Power from other sources or from the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (“WESM”), at its own expense, which expense shall be passed on to its customers as part of generation costs.</p> <p>If beyond OA, the procurement of any Replacement Power shall be the responsibility of the Winning Supplier; provided that, the rates to be paid by the Member EC for the procurement of Replacement Power including line rental, if applicable, shall be (i) the actual cost of Replacement Power or (ii) the approved rate for the PSA, whichever is lower.</p> <p>In the event of failure by the Winning Supplier to provide the Replacement Power, the Member EC shall source Replacement Power at the expense of the Winning Supplier. The Winning</p>

	Supplier shall shoulder the positive difference between the Replacement Power cost and the approved PSA rate including line rental, if any, plus reasonable fees to cover the cost of the Member EC to fill in the shortage and liquidated damages.
Form of Payment	Mode of payment: Check or bank transfer to a nominated bank. Currency of Payment: Philippine Peso Billing Period: Monthly as provided in the PSA.
Penalty in case of default	In case of an Event of Default on the part of the Winning Supplier resulting to the termination of the PSA, the Winning Supplier shall pay the Member EC the product of the average generation charge for the past twelve (12) months (at the time of the occurrence of default) or the actual WESM charge, whichever is higher, and the replacement energy for the same Offered Contract Capacity until the Member EC is able to secure and implement a new long term power supply agreement or an eighteen-(18) month period from occurrence Event of Default, whichever comes first. In other cases of default, the Winning Supplier shall be penalized at a rate equivalent to the Member EC's Distribution Supply and Metering ("DSM") rate per kWh multiplied by the actual replacement energy sourced by the Member EC, to be paid within thirty (30) Days after written demand for payment. Penalties shall not be passed on to the Member EC or its consumers.
Reduction of Contract Capacity and/or Contract Energy	At the option of the Member EC, from time to time upon and after the implementation of Retail Competition and Open Access ("RCOA"), Green Energy Option Program ("GEOP"), Renewable Portfolio Standards ("RPS"), Net Metering programs, Distributed Energy Resources ("DER"), and other similar government programs, the relevant Member EC shall deliver to the Winning Supplier written notice specifying the reduction in Contracted Capacity and/or associated energy resulting from the implementation of RCOA, GEOP, RPS, Net Metering programs, DER, and other similar government programs, indicating when such reductions shall take place. Any such reduction shall be limited to an amount that will allow the relevant Member EC to comply with its obligation to supply electricity in the least cost manner to its captive market.
Prompt Payment Discount	The Wining Supplier shall extend a three (3%) discount based on the total CRF, FOMF, and VOMF for the Billing Period to the Member EC as prompt payment discount if: 1. payment is made within fifteen (15) Calendar Days from receipt of Winning Supplier's billing; and 2. the relevant Member EC is up to date with all its payment obligations under the relevant PSA. For the avoidance of doubt, the prompt payment discount shall not be included in the Financial Proposal evaluation.
Eligibility Requirements	<u>Legal</u> The following entities shall be eligible to participate in this Transaction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Duly licensed individuals or sole proprietorship; ● Duly organized and licensed Partnerships; ● Duly organized and licensed Corporations; or

- Duly organized and licensed Joint Ventures or Consortiums.

The Bidder must secure a Certificate of Good Standing from at least three (3) regulated off-takers, whether existing or previous customers. If the Bidder does not or did not have three (3) regulated off-takers, the Bidder shall submit a Certificate of Good Standing from all of its current and previous regulated off-takers.

Financial

Bidder, including its Affiliates, must have an Unrestricted Net Worth equivalent to Seven Million Pesos (PhP7,000,000.00) multiplied by the Bidder’s highest Offered Contract Capacity, based on the Bidder’s latest audited financial statements or consolidated financial statements with its Affiliates.

For this purpose, “Unrestricted Net Worth” means the sum of subscribed and paid-up equity, including additional paid-in capital, and unrestricted retained earnings, preferred shares, perpetual shares less treasury shares of common, preferred, and perpetual shares.

Bidders may submit a sworn statement executed by the President or authorized representative of its Affiliate or Parent Company categorically stating under oath that the Unrestricted Net Worth of the Bidder’s Affiliate or Parent Company complies with the foregoing requirements.

A Bidder that cites an Affiliate or Parent Company to comply with the financial capability requirement must present proof to establish that the cited entity is indeed its Affiliate or Parent Company by submitting an Affidavit of Affiliation as provided in the Transaction Documents.

Technical

The Bidder, including its Affiliates, shall have an aggregate installed capacity of at least six hundred (600) MW in the Philippines.

The Bidder must have or must have had at least one (1) power supply contract of at least 73 MW with at least six (6) months contract term. The Bidder shall submit (i) a notarized certification confirming the foregoing, and (ii) a copy of the relevant power supply contract (the Bidder shall be allowed to redact confidential or private information, as appropriate).

The Bidders or its Affiliates shall have a track record of at least five (5) years of experience in operating power plants in the Philippines.

The Bidder’s Nominated Power Plant (if already in operation for at least one (1) year) shall have an annual Plant Availability Factor (“PAF”) greater than or equal to the following, based on the technology of the Nominated Power Plant:

Technology	PAF
Pulverized Coal	87.75%
Circulating Fluidized Bed	91.15%
Combined Cycle	94.47%
Gas Turbine	92.00%

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Non-renewal, termination, or reduction to operate as an electric distribution utility	<p>In the event that any Member EC's franchise to operate as an electric distribution utility is not renewed or terminated, or its coverage area is reduced, said Member EC shall have the obligation to assign the rights and obligations under the PSA which are affected by the said non-renewal, termination, or reduction to the new utility with the franchise to operate in the area affected by the non-renewal, termination, or reduction of the Member EC's coverage area. The Winning Supplier shall have the corresponding obligation to accept such assignment.</p> <p>If such assignment fails to occur due to reasons not attributable to the fault or negligence of the Member EC and/or the Winning Supplier, said non-renewal, termination, or reduction shall be considered as an Event of Force Majeure.</p>										

5. A complete set of the Transaction Documents for this Joint CSP may be acquired by Interested Bidders from **12:00NN of 24 August 2024 until 5:00 PM of 04 September 2024** upon:

- a. submission of a *Verified Expression of Interest, Confidentiality Undertaking and Consent Form for Data Privacy*, downloadable at _____.
- b. payment of a non-refundable participation fee (VAT-inclusive and net of creditable withholding tax) in cash or cashier's/manager's check payable to Benguet Electric Cooperative or be deposited through:

Account Name: Benguet Electric Cooperative
Bank: RCBC
Account Number : 7591212494
Bank Branch : La Trinidad, Benguet

The Interested Bidder shall pay an initial non-refundable participation fee of **PhP 1,202,000.00** representing the 20% minimum Offered Contract Capacity, in MW, for this Joint CSP multiplied by PhP 10,000.00.¹ On Bid Submission Date, if the Interested Bidder's Offered Contract Capacity exceeds the 20% minimum Offered Contract Capacity, the Interested Bidder shall pay the difference between its actual Offered Contract Capacity and the 20% minimum Offered Contract Capacity multiplied by PhP 10,000.00.

¹ The maximum Aggregated Contract Capacity for this Joint CSP is 601 MW. Thus, the initial non-refundable participation fee is the product of 20% of 601 MW multiplied by PhP 10,000.00

6. Two original copies of the *Verified Expression of Interest, Confidentiality Undertaking and Consent Form for Data Privacy* and the proof of payment of the initial non-refundable participation fee shall be submitted to the NEA SBAC Secretariat at the RAO Office located at the 8th Floor of the NEA Main Office. A scanned copy of the these documents shall also be sent to luzonaggregation.nea2024@gmail.com.

Upon verification of the submitted documents, the NEA SBAC Secretariat shall provide the link to a cloud-based server where the Interest Bidder may download the Transaction Documents.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Interest Bidder must physically and actually submit said documents to the NEA SBAC Secretariat from **12:00NN of 24 August 2024 until 4:00 PM of 04 September 2024** in order to secure the Transaction Documents and be eligible to participate in this Transaction.

7. For Interested Bidders intending to join as a Joint Venture or Consortium, each member of the Joint Venture or Consortium must submit the *Verified Expression of Interest, Confidentiality Undertaking and Consent Form for Data Privacy*. The members of the Joint Venture or Consortium shall submit an undertaking to bid as a Joint Venture or Consortium and select a Lead Bidder, who shall pay the non-refundable participation fee on behalf Joint Venture or Consortium.
8. The indicative schedule of activities for this CSP shall be:

Activity	Schedule
Publication of Invitation to Bid in a newspaper of general circulation	First Publication: 17 August 2024 Second Publication: 24 August 2024
Issuance of Transaction Documents to Interested Bidders	24 August – 04 September 2024
Pre-Bid Conference	05 September 2024
Issuance of Final Transaction Documents	27 September 2024
Bid Submission Deadline, Opening, and Evaluation of Bids	16 October 2024
Post Qualification and Detailed Evaluation of Bids	17 – 28 October 2024
Issuance of Notice of Award to Winning Bidders	10 November 2024
Signing of Power Supply Agreements	27 – 30 November 2024

The NEA SBAC reserves the right to amend the schedule of activities, upon due notice to the Interested Bidders.

9. Unless otherwise amended, the NEA SBAC shall hold a Pre-Bid Conference on **05 September 2024** starting at 9:00 AM at the NEA Main Office.

Only qualified CSP Observers and Interested Bidders who purchased the Transaction Documents shall be allowed to attend the Pre-Bid Conference.

10. Unless otherwise amended, the Bidder’s bidding documents and proposals must be physically and actually received by the NEA SBAC Secretariat at the NEA Main Office **not later than 9:00 AM on 16 October 2024**.

11. For queries or concerns, please contact the NEA SBAC-Secretariat, Ms. Diana Jean G. Maala, with office address at 57 NIA Road, Diliman, Quezon City, through telephone number (02) 8929-1909 loc. 180, or through electronic mail at luzonaggregation.nea2024@gmail.com.

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