2021 K-12 Energy Curriculum Training

Recommendation for Proposal Selection

Date: June 14, 2021

To: The Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC)

From: Consultant Services Review Committee – Joe Garlick, Karen Verrengia, and Timothy Roughan

Subject: EERMC-2021-03 – 2021 K-12 Energy Curriculum Training

The Review Committee, comprised of Joe Garlick, Karen Verrengia, and Timothy Roughan, members of the Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC), reviewed the two (2) proposals received by the Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC) on May 24, 2021 for the subject EERMC-2021-03 – 2021 K-12 Energy Curriculum Training. The valuation was based on the following criteria: 1. Overview and Work Plan (35 points), 2. Qualifications and Experience (25 Points), 3. Project Management and Organization (5 points), 5. ISBE proposal (6 points), 6. Cost proposal (25 points), and 7. Interview Presentation Quality (10 points).

No interviews were conducted as the Review Committee believed that the proposals provided sufficient information to inform scoring and selection. Therefore, all proposals received 0 points in the Interview Presentation Quality category.

The proposal from the National Energy Education Development Project (NEED) did not receive an average technical score greater than the required 60 out of 65 technical points. Therefore, the cost and ISBE proposals for NEED were not opened, and the NEED proposal was deemed not technically qualified.

Based on the review of the proposals submitted, the Review Committee has concerns around the budgetary expectations for this work and believes it is in the best interest of the Council to reissue this Request for Proposals (RFP), as is its right pursuant to Section 3.1 of the RFP.

The Review Committee proposes that the EERMC direct the Office of Energy Resources to re-issue the RFP within the next three weeks with the following amendments:

- 1. Adjust the minimum technical component score required to be technically qualified from 60 to 55 points, as has been the threshold for previous RFPs containing 65 technical points.
- 2. Clarify the scope of work to indicate the core service expectations of the project that the Council would like the respondents to focus on.

Offeror	Total Points
Green Building Research	96.00
Institute (GBRI)	
National Energy Education	Not Technically Qualified
Development (NEED)	•

Thank you,

Joe Garlick, Karen Verrengia, and Timothy Roughan

Proposal Scores

VENDOR	Total Points: Reviewer 1	Total Points: Reviewer 2	Total Points: Reviewer 3	TOT. AVE.
GBRI	96.00	96.00 96.00		96.00
NEED	53.00	53.00	50.00	Not Technically Qualified

Notes/Comments:

1. *GBRI*:

- GBRI has suggested curriculum in 3 grade bands versus only 2 from NEED. Appears to have a wider portfolio of trainings.
- Skilled, credentialed & experienced staff with deep bench; very organized workplan.
- Extensive marketing and voiceover artist a plus; like the July free intro.

2. *NEED*:

- Showed a lot of sample agendas but aren't as thorough in terms of detail of schedule and progress.
- NEED appears to have much more experience in this sort of activity than GBRI.
- Did not find the workplan particularly good (20 pages of evaluations/charts seemed to miss the mark in responding to the RFP).

	Reviewer 1 Technical & Interview Scores				
VENDOR	Overview & Work Plan – 35 Points	Quals & Experience - 25 points	Project Mngmt & Organization - 5 Points	Total Technical Points - 65 Points	Interview Quality Points - 10 Points
GBRI	35	25	5	65	0
NEED	30	20	3	53	0

	Reviewer 2 Technical & Interview Scores				
VENDOR	Overview & Work Plan – 35 Points	Quals & Experience - 25 points	Project Mngmt & Organization – 5 Points	Total Technical Points - 65 Points	Interview Quality Points - 10 Points
GBRI	35	25	5	65	0
NEED	25	25	3	53	0

	Reviewer 3 Technical & Interview Scores				
VENDOR	Overview & Work Plan – 35 Points	Quals & Experience - 25 points	Project Mngmt & Organization – 5 Points	Total Technical Points - 65 Points	Interview Quality Points - 10 Points
GBRI	35	25	5	65	0
NEED	25	22	3	50	0

NEED	52.00	Not Technically Qualified	Not Technically Qualified	Not Technically Qualified
GBRI	65.00	6.00^{1}	25.00	96.00
VENDOR	Average Total Technical & Interview Points - 75 Points – (60 minimum for qualification)	ISBE Points -6 Points -	Cost Points –25 Points -	Average Total – 106 Points -

 $^{^{1}}$ Full points awarded as only ISBE proposal opened, however ISBE participation rate for GBRI is 0%