

PROJECT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
("RFQ") CONSULTANT INSTRUCTIONS

RFQ: RFQ-UCS-104

RFQ Title: DOE SPARK Funding Opportunities

RFP Title: Utility Consulting Services, Scope 9 - Grants

Issue Date: 4/01/2026

Due Date: 4/9/2026, 3PM Eastern

RFQ Participants: 4Liberty Inc; Deloitte Consulting LLP; EN Specialty Services, LLC d/b/a EN Energy Engineering, LLC; Ernst & Young US LLP; ICF Resources LLC; TRC Engineers Inc.

Your firm is invited to submit a quotation to the Long Island Power Authority ("LIPA" or "Authority") for the above-stated project in accordance with the requirements of the attached Project Request for Qualifications-Scope of Work ("SOW") document.

Please use the attached Project Request for Qualifications Requirements to provide your firm's response.

Submission:

Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) has an e-Procurement platform called Bonfire. All RFQ submissions must be uploaded electronically to <https://lipower.bonfirehub.com>. Late proposals will not be accepted, nor will additional time be granted to any individual Contractor.

Addenda:

If, at any time, LIPA changes, revises, deletes, clarifies, increases, or otherwise modifies this RFQ, the LIPA will issue a written Addendum to the RFQ which will be uploaded to the Bonfire portal.

Questions shall be submitted in writing using the Bonfire platform no later than the written questions deadline. Questions submitted after the deadline may not be answered. Proposers should rely only on written statements issued through the Bonfire platform.

The list of questions received with answers will be provided to all consulting firms who have been solicited via this Project RFQ via Bonfire.

LIPA will not accept quotations received after the due date. LIPA reserves the right to reject quotations that are incomplete.

This project will be performed on the basis of Fixed Price (Not to exceed amount) based on hourly rates from master contracts.

No work is authorized to commence without written authorization from the responsible LIPA Department Head. The Department Head responsible for the Project RFQ is Kenneth Kane, Senior Vice President, Investment Planning.

PROJECT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS - SCOPE OF WORK

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Scope of Work (Summary):

Background:

Since its inception as the owner of the Long Island and Rockaways electric grid in 1998, LIPA has utilized a “public-private partnership” business model, under which LIPA outsources day-to-day operations and management of the transmission and distribution (“T&D”) system to a private utility (“Service Provider”). Between 1998 and 2013, the LIPA system was operated by KeySpan and its successor National Grid.

Beginning in 2014, LIPA awarded the Service Provider contract to PSEG Long Island, a subsidiary of Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. LIPA is interested in seeking Department of Energy (DOE) funding to system reliability, resiliency, capacity, deliverability and resource adequacy by increasing capacity to that will assist LIPA in meeting President Trump’s goals to eliminate transmission system constraints while improving performance of existing infrastructure.

Objective:

Assist the Authority in the preparation of one application related to reconductoring several circuits on LIPA’s transmission system. The application is due May 20, 2026, at 5:00PM Eastern Standard Time. Vendor will work with LIPA and its Service Provider to ensure the completeness of the application and satisfaction of grant objectives and requirements outlined in the DOE’s Federal Opportunity Announcement (FOA) DE-FOA-0003580.

Scope:

1. Vendor will work with the Authority and its Service Provider to prepare one application consistent with the requirements as outlined in the FOA.
2. Vendor will manage the coordination of grant application preparation, including but not limited to the following:
3. Prepare a schedule of tasks and work with LIPA to identify SMEs for each task for the application.
4. Conduct a thorough review and quality check of all application materials to ensure accuracy, completeness, and adherence to the Department of Energy’s guidelines.

5. Develop a realistic timeline for the timely completion and review of each task related to the application.
6. Develop a comprehensive project plan outlining key milestones, deadlines, and responsibilities for both the consultant, Service Provider and LIPA throughout the grant application process.
7. Assist in drafting clear and concise narratives, budget justifications, and any other required sections of the SPARK grant applications.
8. Schedule meetings between vendor, LIPA and Service Provider as necessary related to completion and submission of the application
9. Review and provide comments to LIPA on each task as each is completed for the application.
10. Hold meetings with LIPA throughout the project life cycle as needed related to the application.
11. Develop a realistic timeline to ensure timely submission of the application.
12. Vendor will ensure the alignment of each section of the application to the objectives and priorities outlined in SPARK Topic Areas included in the FOA.
13. Vendor will provide clear and concise feedback to the Authority and Service Provider staff detailing improvements needed to strengthen any and all sections of the application to improve LIPA's chances of an award. Vendor will be expected to lead in the drafting of the sections of the application for such sections to meet the standards and objectives required for a successful outcome.

Schedule of Events:

2026-RFQ-UCS-21	April 1, 2026 at 3:00 PM
RFQ due date for questions:	April 6, 2026 by 3:00 PM
Answers:	April 7, 2026
RFQ response due date:	April 9, 2026 by 3:00 PM
RFQ anticipated award:	April 15, 2026
Anticipated start date for awarded firm:	April 20, 2026
Project duration estimate:	4 weeks

Terms:

The project is targeted to commence before April 20, 2026. The actual project term is driven by the DOE timeline contained in the FOA, as such it is very unlikely that the work may go beyond the project duration estimated period. The selected consultant will be paid time and materials in accordance with the firm's contract with LIPA, subject to an agreed upon cap.

Project Review Factors

- 1- The Firm's previous experience providing the scope of service(s) proposed to electric utilities, public power, and other municipal clients.
- 2- The qualifications, expertise, prior experience, and availability of the proposed team assigned to LIPA's account, including expertise and experience pertinent to the services requested in the RFQ.
- 3- Overall organization, completeness, and quality of proposal, including cohesiveness, conciseness, clarity of response, demonstrated understanding of LIPA.
- 4- The firms' overall diversity and commitment to equal opportunity programs
- 5- The cost of consulting services, including the competitiveness of the proposed hourly billing rates.

Additional Comments:

While LIPA seeks one consultant for this project, LIPA reserves the right to select more than one consultant with complementary skills to conduct select portions of the SOW or no consultants if such skills and experience cannot be demonstrated.

The LIPA staff (*and other internal consultants*) will review the consultant(s) work and will assume an active role in the review including oversight, coordination, independent review of consultant methodology, findings, and progress as to scope, budget, and schedule.

Deliverables:

The products of this effort will be:

An application to be filed with the Department of Energy on May 20, 2026, in accordance with the instructions provided in the FOA.

