



**ADDENDUM # 3 TO ILLINOIS INTERNATIONAL PORT DISTRICT'S  
("IIPD") REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ("RFP") FOR:  
DEVELOPMENT OF ROOFTOP SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS  
AND BATTERY STORAGE SYSTEMS**

**DUE DATE: 3:00 P.M. (CST) ON MARCH 20, 2026**

**I. QUESTIONS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**

The following additional questions have been received from interested parties in response to the pending RFP. The answers to these additional questions are being provided to you as a potential respondent and to ensure that all potential respondents have received the same information regarding the opportunity subject to the RFP.

26. Will there be any bonding or evidence of bonding ability required for the RFP submission?

**RESPONSE:** Additional bonding requirements meeting federal and state requirements are for 1) federal construction contracts exceeding the federal simplified acquisition threshold of \$350,000 and include a bid guarantee equivalent to 5% of the bid price, performance bond equal to 100% of the contract price, and payment bond equal to 100% of the contract price and 2) state construction contracts above \$150,000 require a single price and performance bond for the payment of material, apparatus, fixtures, machinery and labor, and completion of the contract. Federal bond requirements are listed in the CFR §200.326 Bonding Requirements and state bond requirements are in the Illinois Public Construction Bond Act.

27. The RFP document does not specify the need for a bid bond – will you confirm that one is not needed at this time, or that it is?

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28. If there is a co-bid by respondents, do all respondents need to be licensed in IL and Chicago? If there is only one of the co-bidding respondents performing the labor portion of the work, does [that co-bidding respondent] being licensed fulfill the license requirements?

**RESPONSE:** Please refer to Section V.A.4 of the RFP and RFP Enclosure 1, entitled "All Ownership Disclosure" which is attached and included with the RFP. Respondents should provide full and accurate responses to the information sought, including all relevant documentation requested. All bidders should have applicable local and state level licenses based on the scope of work performed.

29. From the site visit, it does not appear that the existing ComEd transformer of any of the onsite equipment can handle the expected growth in consumption (bullet above partially is improving that), but more importantly cannot handle solar and energy storage of any significant size, has any discussion been started with ComEd regarding feeder and transformer upgrades?

**RESPONSE:** It is anticipated that interconnection upgrades will be required as part of the project. There has not been an interconnection study completed as part of this project to date. IIPD will initiate required service upgrade work with the utility, including sharing information regarding new loads and how these will be changing. This will be with the understanding that solar inputs will not exceed consumption if pursuing the behind the meter option. This will also take into account the consumption of vehicles and equipment to be deployed at these sites. The selected EPC will assist IIPD in navigating the interconnection process including any required upgrades with the utility.

30. Can 15-minute interval data from ComEd for the meters in the sheds be provided to ensure the batteries are sized for the correct loads.

**RESPONSE:** IIPD will request 15-minute interval data from ComEd and this will be provided to the selected contractor when available.

31. For the cover letter and RFP Response Template Schedule Cover, will DocuSign or Adobe verified e-signature be acceptable for the proposal? Are there any other documents requiring a signature?

**RESPONSE:** IIPD will accept DocuSign or Adobe verified e-signature for documents requiring a signature for this RFP.

32. Seeking guidance on the territory for the project's land for permitting.

**RESPONSE:** The Project will be located on property owned by the IIPD at the IIPD's Lake Calumet Terminal, and more broadly situated within the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois. Unless otherwise provided in the RFP, Respondents shall obtain and pay for all local, state and federal permits, licenses, and required approvals necessary to complete the project. IIPD will cooperate, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses.

Acknowledgement of Receipt of RFP Amendments/Addenda: Along with submission of a Response to this RFP, Respondents shall include and provide an Acknowledgement of Addenda set forth as RFP Attachment 1, included with previously-published Addendum # 1 to the RFP. Failure to obtain clarifications and/or addenda from the IIPD's website will not relieve the Respondent from being bound by any additional terms and/or conditions. For all information concerning this RFP, including questions from Respondent(s) and responses from IIPD, and any updates to this RFP, Respondent(s) are urged to frequently refer to IIPD's website at: <http://www.iipd.com>.

All proposals and other communications must be addressed and returned to:

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**PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 3:00 PM CST, ON MARCH 20, 2026**