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Q&A's

Q: Is there a set of governing rules or required CFR provisions that Voucher Recipients must agree to in order to receive support? Is there an agreement template?

A: The Recipients only sign a Memorandum of Understanding with EnergyWerx, so there are not any requirements other than to participate with the Provider and make sure they are engaged in providing the information that they need so that they can help support the Recipient.

Q: Can a national lab be a Voucher Recipient?

A: No, a national lab cannot be a Recipient in this Voucher Opportunity. Only organizations which plan, own, or operate bulk power transmission in the United States and have an interconnection queue that is experiencing challenges are eligible to be Recipients.

Q: Rather than the proposal, are there any other requirements that should be submitted along with the application?

A: The other requirements would include what your business is, what staff you have to support the proposal, and what data and models you have to support the proposal.

Q: Are there any project reporting requirements for the Voucher Recipient? Or is that solely the responsibility of the Voucher Provider?

A: No, there are no project reporting requirements for the Voucher Recipient. After the selection is made the Recipient will work with the Provider, and the Provider has reporting requirements to EnergyWerx and then to DOE.

Q: Can a university receive a voucher?

A: Yes, there are universities on the [capabilities Provider list](#), however just because a university is on the Provider list does not mean they are guaranteed a match.

Q: Can a university collaborate with one transmission provider, such as NYPA to apply as a Voucher Recipient?

A: In this situation, NYPA should apply as the Recipient unless the university is a transmission provider itself.

Q: Can you share the slides?

A: The slides, transcript, and recording will be posted to the website later today or early tomorrow, and then the Q&A will be posted as soon as we have that back from DOE.

Q: Can we still apply for the qualified service Providers?

A: That part of the opportunity is closed already. Depending on the success of this first round, DOE may offer a second round and you can [join the EnergyWerx Ecosystem](#) to be notified of new opportunities.

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Q: What is the length of these projects?

A: The anticipated length of these projects is currently up to two years, and that would be up to the Recipient and Provider to decide. Recipient applicants should indicate on their project description if they need things more urgently.

Q: Do all technologies offered have to be field demonstrated?

A: Yes, however if you think there's something that is promising that you're really looking at, you can apply. It is our intent to have things that are ready to implement, however DOE will evaluate all applications.

Q: Are there any financial commitments needed from transmission companies?

A: Not as a Voucher Recipient.

Q: Is there a min. - max. size of project?

A: A project will have to fit within the Voucher Provider's capabilities. There are several projects that have ranges. For example, dynamic line ratings have 4 levels to the capability depending on the miles of line that you would like to try to implement dynamic line rating on. Make sure you're choosing the right capability that fits the project.

Q: What about vendors like Siemens, GE, ABB? Do they qualify as Providers? If so, what exactly is needed from them.

A: Nothing is needed from any organizations not on the [Provider list](#).

Q: To confirm that a university can only work as a Voucher Provider, and at this time, the program will not receive Provider application, right?

A: That is correct.

Q: Are Voucher Recipients only eligible for one voucher?

A: Applicants may submit up to 3 applications for this opportunity, provided that each application describes a unique problem statement as determined by DOE. DOE will only review the 3 most recent submissions if more than 3 are submitted.