

2012-2013 Transmission Planning Process Accelerated Project Sponsor Solicitation Process

List of Project Sponsors the ISO has Qualified for the Imperial Valley Area Policy Driven Elements

As part of the 2012-2013 transmission planning process, the ISO identified policy-driven elements with capital costs of under \$50 million for the Imperial Valley Area. This resulted in an accelerated competitive solicitation process for Project Sponsor selection. The two month window for potential Project Sponsors to submit applications to finance, construct, and own the approved Imperial Valley Area Policy Driven Transmission Elements opened on December 19, 2012 and closed on February 19, 2013.

Pursuant to tariff Section 24.5.2.1, the ISO has found that both Imperial Irrigation District (IID) and Abengoa T&D as applicant Project Sponsors are minimally qualified to be considered specifically to finance, construct, and own the Imperial Valley policy-driven elements. Thus, following an opportunity for collaboration, both applicants will be further evaluated according to the qualification criteria and the Project Sponsor selection factors set forth in Section 24.5.2.4 and one of them will be selected to finance, own and construct the elements. The ISO's determination that both applicants are minimally qualified pertains to this competitive solicitation only, and does not bind the ISO to make the same finding if IID and Abengoa T&D participate in subsequent ISO solicitation processes and submit applications to finance, construct, and own other transmission elements. The table below lists the details required by Section 5.4.3 of the Transmission Planning Process Business Practice Manual to be posted on the CAISO website regarding the qualified Project Sponsor proposals:

Qualified Project Sponsor	Transmission Elements Proposed to be Financed, Constructed, and Owned	Authorized Governmental Body
Imperial Irrigation District	http://www.caiso.com/Documents/Description-FunctionalSpecificationsImperialValleyAreaProposedPolicyDrivenElements.pdf	Imperial Irrigation District for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Abengoa T&D	http://www.caiso.com/Documents/Description-FunctionalSpecificationsImperialValleyAreaProposedPolicyDrivenElements.pdf	Imperial County for CEQA and BLM for NEPA
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