



Pre-Application Workshop

Natural Gas Fueling Infrastructure (PON-12-605)

December 18, 2012

California Energy Commission
Fuels and Transportation Division
Emerging Fuels and Technology Office



Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction
- PON Background
- Addendum 1
- Overview of Grant Solicitation Application Manual
- Questions and Answers



Background

- Previous NG fueling infrastructure solicitation (PON-11-602)
 - Round 1: \$6.1 million awarded
 - Round 2: \$0.9 million awarded
- Round 1 – 20 funded projects (CNG/LNG/RNG)
- Round 2 – 3 funded projects (CNG)



Addendum 1

- Correct language in Section II.A, page 4 (Eligible Projects) to remove some restrictions on publicly accessible stations
 - 25 mile radius requirement
 - Local & regional goods movement
 - Fleet operations
 - Light duty vehicle use



Purpose of Solicitation

- Expand and upgrade natural gas fueling infrastructure statewide
 - Reduce GHG emissions
 - Displace petroleum consumption
 - Improve air quality and public health
 - Create jobs and new business opportunities
 - Improve viability of NG fueling options for all transportation sectors



Eligible Projects

- Publicly accessible CNG or LNG stations
- New or upgraded stations for fleets or goods movement
- New or upgraded stations for public or private school districts



Eligible Applicants

- Includes public and private entities, non-profit organizations and universities
- Must meet solicitation requirements and agree to T&C's without negotiation
- Required business presence in California



Funding Information

- At least \$2.6 million of ARFVT funds available
- May be increased up to \$5 million total
- Maximum Awards and Match Funds

Project Type	Maximum Award per Station	Match Requirement
Natural Gas for School Fleets	\$300,000	N/A
CNG Stations	50% (60% if renewable) of total project cost, up to \$300,000	Minimum of 50% (40% if renewable) of total project cost.
LNG or L/CNG Stations	40% (50% if renewable) of total project cost, up to \$600,000	Minimum of 60% (50% if renewable) of total project cost.



Schedule

ACTIVITY	ACTION DATE
Solicitation Release	November 29, 2012
Deadline for Written Questions*	December 18 <u>44</u> , 2012
Pre-Application Workshop*	December 14, 2012
Pre-Application Workshop 2nd WebEx	<u>December 18, 2012</u>
Distribute Questions/Answers and Addenda (if any) to solicitation	<u>December 28</u> 24 , 2012
Deadline to Submit Applications by 3:00 p.m.*	<u>February 7,</u> 24, 2013
Anticipated Notice of Proposed Award Posting Date	March 2013
Anticipated Commission Business Meeting Date	May 2013
Anticipated Agreement Start Date	June 2013



Selection and Award Process

- Evaluation committee will score proposals using scoring criteria described in Section IV
- Committee may conduct optional interviews for clarification or verification purposes
- Minimum score of 70 (out of 100) required
- Funding recommendations based on ranking highest passing scores



Proposal Guidelines

- One (1) original and three (3) hardcopies of proposal and a CD or USB electronic copy
- Proposals should be typed in 11-point font and single-spaced
- Original and copies must be labeled “Program Opportunity Notice 12-605” and include title of application
- Proposals should NOT contain confidential info



Grounds for Rejection

- An application shall be rejected if:
 - It is received after 3:00 pm on February 7, 2013
 - The Application Form/Cover Page (Attachment 1) is not signed by an authorized representative
 - It does not meet the match funding requirement
 - It contains false or intentionally misleading statements or references
 - It contains confidential information
 - Applicant does not agree to T&C's attached to solicitation



Grounds for Rejection (Cont'd)

- An application may be rejected if:
 - Budget forms are not filled out completely
 - CEQA Worksheet (Attachment 10) is incomplete or missing
 - It is not prepared in the format described
 - It does not literally comply or contains caveats that conflict with the PON



Scoring Criteria

Scoring Category	Maximum Points
1. Station Throughput	20
2. Infrastructure Need	20
3. Vehicle Population	25
4. GHG & Petroleum Reductions	5
5. Renewable Feedstock	5
6. Cost-effectiveness/Match Share	25



Solicitation Documents

- Documents and templates for natural gas fueling infrastructure :
<http://energy.ca.gov/contracts/PON-12-605/>
- Please make sure to read all addenda



Questions & Answers

Written Questions are due:
December 18, 2012

Please send all PON related questions to:
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