

**Question 1:** 08/08/2010

Questions regarding the above:

\* strictly ground mount?

As long as a disconnect is reachable from the ground, HCE doesn't have a preference.

\* are you looking to buy the system?

Respondents to the RFP may include an option for HCE to purchase facilities no sooner than 10 years after the initial commercial operation date. Such an option is not required for consideration under the RFP.

\* are you looking to ultimately own the system?

See the above question re: buying the system. This will be primarily determined by the economic drivers of a respondent's purchase option.

\* take it under a power purchase agreement?

For at least the first 10 years, HCE will purchase power from any successful bids.

\* finance the system?

No, respondent's to the RFP are responsible for providing their own financing.

- if this, do you have a tax appetite?

No, HCE is a non-profit rural electric association and is tax exempt.

**Question 2:** 08/17/2010

I am uncertain as to whether the Solar provider needs to purchase the land for the proposed 1 MW project. Does the Solar provider have to purchase the land or is there existing space available that Holy Cross owns?

It is not required that the provider purchases the land; lease or some other long term arrangement with a land owner is acceptable. However, property owned by Holy Cross isn't available for development under this RFP.

**Question 3:** 08/19/2010

Where should we assume the point of delivery is for purposes of determining actual energy delivered to Holy Cross? Low side of the project transformer? High side? At the point of interconnect on the existing distribution line? Other?

The delivery point will be the metering point on the low side of the project transformer. Keep in mind that the owner of the facility will be responsible for any necessary maintenance or replacement of any cable or other equipment on the low side of the transformer.

**Metering Requirements:** 08/24/2010

HCE intends to meter any selected proposals at 480 V before stepping the voltage up to match the distribution system. Selected respondent(s) will be responsible for building a metering cabinet and service to HCE's specifications near the project transformer. For projects in the 1 MW range, HCE will use a pad-mount step-up transformer and respondent will be responsible for trenching between the existing distribution line, the project transformer, and the metering cabinet in accordance with HCE's underground construction specifications. HCE will supply vaults and conduit for use between the riser pole and project transformer; respondent is responsible for installing these materials in accordance with HCE's specifications. In addition, respondent must provide a lockable AC disconnect between the meter and the inverter output.

If respondent prefers a different metering arrangement, respondent's proposal should include specifications for their proposed metering arrangement and reasons for any requested changes..

Information on metering specs and underground construction is available at <http://www.holycross.com/member-services/metering-specs>.