Maryland Utilities' Request For Proposals for Full Requirements Wholesale Electric Power

Pre-Bid Webinar September 17, 2024

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Utility Panel

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Webinar Objectives

We are here to:

- Review the bid structure within each utility's RFP
- Highlight substantive changes to the RFP and FSA from the process conducted last year
- Answer questions on RFP related topics

Webinar Disclaimer

This presentation is not meant to be a fully comprehensive description of every aspect related to all of the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) orders and settlements related to the RFP process, but rather a summary of the key features. No statements made in this presentation, or made orally by any utility representative, are intended to be binding in any way. In all cases, the RFP, FSA, settlement documents and Compliance Plans, as approved by the PSC, and all PSC orders, control and supersede all other statements.

Summary Agenda

- 2025 RFP Changes
- Utility Bid Plans
- 2025 Full Requirements Service Agreement Changes

Overview

2025 Procurement Improvement Process (PIP)

- Change in Pre-Bid Collateral deadline to Friday before bid day at 5pm EPT (RFP § 4.2)
- RPS changes to include Supplier penalties for missing Utility deadlines (FSA § 4.4)
- Continued use of Proxy Price for Capacity due to PJM Base Residual Auction delays (RFP § 2.1 and FSA § 7.1)
- Utility communication with Suppliers during auction window
 - Contact to be made by 11:25am EPT if bid is not received
- Definitions included for "Capacity True-Up," "PJM Final Zonal Capacity Price," and "PJM Preliminary Zonal Net Load Price" (FSA Article 1)
- Addition of Capacity True-Up language should PJM Preliminary Zonal Net Load Price change after supplier provides their bids (FSA § 7.1)
- Renewable Energy Obligation percentage update (FSA Exhibit B)
- Revises Seller Step-Up rights should a procurement contract terminate early or supply obligations are insufficient for SOS load (FSA § 4.13)

Important Dates

Important Procurement Qualification Notes

- In order to be qualified to bid in the October 2024, January 2025, April 2025 and June 2025 auctions
 - Suppliers must qualify under the 2025 RFP/FSA documents
 - Eligibility documents need to be submitted only <u>once</u> for RFP
 - Eligibility documents due dates
 - September 20, 2024 for the October 21, 2024 auction
 - December 27, 2024 for the January 13, 2025 auction
 - March 21, 2025 for the April 7, 2025 auction
 - May 16, 2025 for the June 2, 2025 auction

2025 Request for Proposals(RFP)

Request for Proposals (RFP)

Supply Requirement Overview

- Full requirements service, including energy, capacity, ancillary services, losses and renewables; excluding network transmission or renewable energy obligations related to offshore wind pursuant to Senate Bill 526 passed during the 2022 session of the Maryland General Assembly
- Supplier's obligation will be in terms of a fixed percentage of a utility's total SOS load for a specific service type
- Wholesale supply will be at fixed prices, for the Base Load only. The Incremental Load will be supplied by buyer at a variable price (PJM spot market). Base and Incremental loads are defined by the Volume Risk Mitigation (VRM) mechanism (FSA § 6.3)

Procurement Process Overview

- Scope of the RFP includes the October 2024, January 2025, April 2025 and June 2025 auctions
- Suppliers will have to qualify only once for this multi-procurement process, however if changes occur that materially affect supplier's financial condition or its status with PJM or FERC, supplier is responsible for notifying the utilities
 - Credit ratings
 - PJM membership in good standing
 - FERC authorization for market-based rates

Procurement Process Overview (continued)

- For BGE, Delmarva and Pepco Residential and Type I supply, load will be procured in October 2024 for June 1, 2025 delivery and in April 2025 for October 1, 2025 delivery
- For PE, bidding for Residential supply will occur in four procurements October 2024, January, April, and June 2025, for June 1, 2025 and June 1, 2026 delivery.
- 100% of the Type II supply will be procured every 3 months with delivery starting December 1, 2024, March 1, June 1 and September 1, 2025

Procurement Process Overview (continued)

- The typical bid week will look like the following:
 - <u>Friday prior</u> to bid due date: Bid assurance collateral due no later than 5:00 pm EPT
 - Monday: Bids due between the hours of 10:30 am and 11:30 am EPT
 - Monday: Bids awarded by 3:00 pm EPT
 - Tuesday: Utility forwards partially executed contracts to supplier by facsimile or scanned image file via e-mail
 - Wednesday: by 2:00 p.m. EPT, the bidder will return to Utility by scanned image file via e-mail, a fully executed FSA, and/or transactions, and, if required, Guaranty or amendment
 - Wednesday: Utility files by scanned image file via e-mail executed Transaction Confirms with Commission
 - Thursday: Public hearing for Commission to review results
 - Friday: Commission approval of contracts
- Bids expire the earlier of rejection notice or 7 PM EPT of bid award day
- Retail prices will be posted about two-and-a-half weeks after Commission approves all contracts with common delivery start date

Utility Bid Plans

Utility Bid Plans

In total, Maryland utilities are requesting electric supply proposals totaling approximately 3,927 MW of Standard Offer Service load

PE	785	www.firstenergycorp.com/mdsosrfp
BGE	1,909	https://rfp.bge.com/
Delmarva Power	309	www.delmarva.com/mdrfp
Рерсо	<u>924</u>	<u>www.pepco.com/mdrfp</u>
Total	3,927 MW	

The load figures will be updated prior to the bid due dates

PE Bid Plan

PE's SOS Load Overview

		Preliminary Capacity PLC, MW			
Se	ervice Type	<u>Eligible</u>	SOS	RFP	
•	Residential	808	760	713	
•	Type II Non-Residential SOS	292	73	73	
	– PH (< 600 kW PLC) C, C-A, CSH, G (≥ 25	kW)			

Notes:

- Numerical values contained herein are accurate as of August 18, 2024, and will be updated prior to the October 21st procurement
- PLCs are for the 2024-2025 Planning Year
- MW values are scaled at the wholesale level; Scaling factor = 0.991604

<u>Eligible Load</u> is all load that could possibly be included in the SOS process per service type <u>SOS Load</u> is equal to eligible load minus the load served by third party suppliers <u>RFP Load</u> is the portion of the SOS load being bid out in the 2024-25 RFP process

BGE Bid Plan

BGE's SOS Load Overview

	Preliminar	Preliminary Capacity PLC, MW		
<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>SOS</u>	<u>RFP</u>	
Residential	3,376	2,835	1,404	
Type I	301	210	105	
Type II	1,546	400	400	

Notes:

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- PLCs are for 2024-2025 Planning Year
- MW values are unscaled at the wholesale level
- Scaling factor = 0.98

Delmarva Bid Plan

Delmarva's SOS Load Overview

	Preliminar	Preliminary Capacity PLC, MW		
<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>SOS</u>	<u>RFP</u>	
Residential	516	472	236	
Type I	57	36	18	
Type II	309	55	55	

Notes:

Numerical Values contained herein are accurate as of August 18, 2024

- PLCs are for 2024-2025 Planning Year
- MW values are unscaled at the wholesale level
- Scaling factor = 0.985041

Pepco Bid Plan

Pepco's SOS Load Overview

	Preliminary Capacity PLC, MW		
<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>SOS</u>	<u>RFP</u>
Residential	1,562	1,364	684
Type I	70	48	21
Type II	845	219	219

Notes:

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- PLCs are for 2024-2025 Planning Year
- MW values are unscaled at the wholesale level
- Scaling factor = 0.975489

Full Requirements Service Agreement (FSA)

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What's New?

- RPS Changes to include Supplier penalties for missing Utility deadlines (FSA § 4.4)
- Continued use of Proxy Price for Capacity due to PJM Base Residual Auction delays (RFP § 2.1 and FSA § 7.1)
- Definitions included for "Capacity True-Up," "PJM Final Zonal Capacity Price," and "PJM Preliminary Zonal Net Load Price" (FSA Article 1)
- Addition of Capacity True-Up language should PJM Preliminary Zonal Net Load Price change after supplier provides their bids (FSA § 7.1)
- Renewable Energy Obligation percentage update (FSA Exhibit B)
- Revises Seller Step-Up rights should a procurement contract terminate early or supply obligations are insufficient for SOS load (FSA § 4.13)

Full Requirements Service Agreement

Renewable Energy Obligation

Seller's obligation for 2024-2027

Year	Tier 1	Solar Component	Tier 2	Post-2022
		of Tier 1		Geothermal Systems
2024	33.700%	6.500%	2.5%	0.15%
2025	35.500%	7.000%	2.5%	0.25%
2026	38.000%*	8.000%	2.5%	0.50%
2027	41.500%	9.5000%	2.5%	0.75%

Renewable Sources

The above stated percentages apply to retail metered sales. Based on SB 65 of 2021 and HB1007 2021.

*As a result of Senate Bill 526, passed during the 2022 Maryland General Assembly session, Buyer's Renewable Energy Obligation no longer includes the purchase of off-shore wind renewable energy credits.

Full Requirements Service Agreement

Transaction Confirmation

- Master FSA will be executed under which multiple transactions will be executed
- Each awarded bid for a specific service type and contract term will be a transaction
- A transaction confirmation will specify, among other details, the following:
 - service type
 - delivery period
 - number of bid blocks
 - percentage of load equivalent to each bid block
 - base PLC per bid block to be used in determining increment load
 - prices
 - monthly on-peak and off-peak energy quantities to be used in determining the MtM exposure
 - Latest Preliminary Zonal Net Load price or proxy price

Ariba Platform

BGE and PHI uses it for

- Posting of the 2025 RFP Materials and info
- Auction bid submission
- Demo

Questions

Appendix

Background of Maryland PSC SOS Structure

Background

- The PSC has conducted Case Nos. 8908, 9037, 9056 and 9064 to establish how Standard Offer Service will be provided.
 - The most recent review occurred in Case No. 9117
- Stakeholder process has led to settlements and/or orders of:
 - policy for initial implementation (8908 Phase I)
 - initial implementation details (8908 Phase II)
 - subsequent improvements (through the annual Procurement Improvement Process) to the RFP and FSA documents
 - policy regarding the continuation of Type II SOS from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 (9037)
 - policy regarding the continuation of Type II SOS beginning June 1, 2007 (9056)
 - policy regarding the continuation of Residential and Type I SOS beginning June
 1, 2007 (9064)
- Stakeholders have included customer representatives, public policy representatives, retail suppliers, wholesale suppliers and utilities
- See utility RFP websites for settlements, orders and procurement improvement documents

2025 Request for Proposals(RFP)

Schedule Overview

- October 21, 2024 Procurement for Type II December 2024 contracts, BGE, Delmarva, PHI and PE Residential June 2025 contracts, and BGE, Delmarva and PHI Type I June 2025 contracts
- January 13, 2025 Procurement for Type II March 2025 contracts and PE Residential June 2025 contracts
- April 7, 2025 Procurement for Type II June 2025 contracts, BGE, Delmarva, and PHI Residential and Type I October 2025 contracts and PE Residential June 2026 contracts
- June 2, 2025 Procurement for Type II September 2025 contracts and PE June 2026 Residential contracts

Supplier Eligibility Criteria

- Submittal of the Expression of Interest Form
- Execution of the Confidentiality Agreement
- Submittal of PJM qualification and FERC authorization
 - Qualified market buyer and seller in good standing with PJM
 - FERC authorization to make sales of energy, capacity and ancillary services at market-based rates
- Submittal of Credit Application & related financial information
 - For supplier or financial guarantor
 - Unsecured credit requires a rating of unsecured senior long-term debt by S&P, Moody's or Fitch
 - Bankruptcy status will not disqualify an applicant from bidding; however, FSA establishes additional requirements pursuant to PSC Order 79452
- Submittal of Binding Bid Agreement

Supplier Eligibility Criteria (continued)

- Suppliers not receiving eligibility status for the first procurement on October 21st may participate in subsequent procurements if they cure any deficiency in their eligibility no later than ten business days prior to the due date of proposals for such procurement
- New applicants entering the procurement process after the initial eligibility deadline must submit eligibility documents at least ten business days prior to the due date of proposals for the procurement in which they intend to participate

Bid Assurance Collateral

- \$300,000 per bid block is required from suppliers who are rated or have a rated guarantor unless a rated bidder is granted an Unsecured Credit Cap of \$0.00 and has credit ratings (i) below BBfor S&P, (ii) below Ba3 for Moody's or (iii) below BB- for Fitch, which would increase the amount of bid assurance collateral required to \$600,000 per bid block
 - \$600,000 per bid block is required from suppliers who are unrated, do not have a guarantor who is rated, or are rated but are not qualified to receive unsecured credit
- Form of collateral must be either cash or Letter of Credit (LC)
 - Electronic PDF version of a signed LOC is acceptable if emailed directly by issuing bank

Bid Assurance Collateral (continued)

- A Bid Assurance LC form acceptable to the utilities has been provided as Appendix 6 in the RFP
- Bid assurance collateral will be returned to the supplier upon execution of contract(s) or rejection of bid(s)
- Bid assurance collateral will be forfeited in the event that the supplier does not execute contract(s) on its awarded bid(s); and such supplier will be ineligible to participate in subsequent procurements pursuant to this RFP
- Bid assurance collateral must be received by the utility no later than 5 p.m. EPT on the Friday before bid day

Alternate Forms of Bid Assurance Letter of Credit

- Suppliers that wish to propose an alternative Bid Assurance LC form or some other form of security may do so by the September 20th eligibility requirements due date, or at least two weeks prior to a future procurement date
- Acceptance of such alternative forms of collateral is at the utility's discretion, and will be communicated to the supplier by the September 27th eligibility notification due date or five days before the next procurement date
- Any changes to standard LC, or additional changes to a previously approved alternative LC must be approved by Utility prior to bank issuance

Bid Form Spreadsheets

- All bids must be submitted using the appropriate Bid Form Spreadsheet
- Bid Form Spreadsheets are unique for:
 - each utility;
 - each service type;
 - each contract term; and
 - each procurement
- The format of a bid is specified within each Bid Form Spreadsheet

Bid Form Spreadsheets (continued)

- Contained within the Bid Form Spreadsheet, and fully transparent to the supplier, is the transformation of the supplier's price offer into a "Discounted Average Term Price" to be used as the only parameter to rank bids
- All of the fields within the Bid Form Spreadsheet that require the supplier's input must be completed in order for the bid to be conforming; e.g., if it is the supplier's intent to submit a zero price for any component of the pricing structure, the supplier must enter the numeric value of zero, rather than leaving the field blank

Bid Form Spreadsheet Sample

	E Request For Propo		UPD	ATED: 04/12/20	
SAMP	LE Bid Form Spread	sheet			
	il 23, 2012 Procurem				
	ue Date: April 23, 2012, 4				
	Residential SOS - R, ES				
24-Month Term	: October 01, 2012 - Sept	tember 30, 2014			
Distance in factory of the se					
Bidder Information					
Company Name 1					
Contact Name					
Phone Number					
Fax Number					
Bid Block Information					
Maximum Blocks To Be Aw arded	14				
Block Size (% of Load)	1.785714%				
Approximate Block Size (MW-Generator)	49.1				
hpproximate bidgk Size (WW-Generator)	49.1				
Volume Bid					
Number of Bid Blocks Offered					
Price Periods Within Contract Term	10/01/12-09	9/30/13	10/01/13-09/30/14		
Price Quote for Bid Blocks Offered	R&ES Class	RL Class	R&ES Class	RL Class	
Summer Price (\$/MWh-Premise)					
Non-Summer Price (\$/MWh-Premise)					
Summer PJM On-Peak Price (\$/MWh-Premise)					
Summer PJM Off-Peak Price (\$/MWh-Premise)					
Non-Summer PJM On-Peak Price (\$/MWh-Premise)	-				
Non-Summer PJM Off-Peak Price (\$/MWh-Premise)					
Volume Weighting Factors					
Summer Energy(%)	35.21900%		35.21900%		
Non-Summer Energy (%)	56.80400%		56.80400%		
Summer PJM On-Peak Energy (%)		1.50600%		1.50600	
Summer PJM Off-Peak Energy (%)		1.44900%		1.44900	
Non-Summer PJM On-Peak Energy (%)		2.27500%		2.27500	
Non-Summer PJM Off-Peak Energy (%)		2.74600%		2.74600	
Discount Factors					
Discount Rate (%)	5.25%		5.25%		
Mid-Year Discount Factor	0.9747404		0.9261191		
Load Weighted Prices					
Load Weighted Average Energy Price (\$/MWh-Premise)	\$ -		\$ -		
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Discounted Average Term Price (\$/MWh-Premise)	\$ \$				
Discounted Average Term Price (\$/MWh-Premise) Tag Number					

Bid Validation

- Conforming Bids Must Be:
 - Accompanied by the appropriate amount of bid assurance collateral
 - Submitted using the Bid Form Spreadsheet(s), completed in full and without modification
 - Submitted by the due date and due time
 - Submitted by an eligible supplier

Evaluation of Bids

- Discounted Average Term Price calculated on each Bid Form Spreadsheet will be the single parameter used to compare all offers within the same service type and the same contract term
- Winning suppliers will be paid their offer prices, not the Discounted Average Term Price
- Bids to supply Residential and Type I load will be subject to the Price Anomaly Threshold Procedure

Price Anomaly Procedure

- On the bid due date in each procurement, a Price Anomaly Threshold (PAT) will be developed for each utility soliciting for Residential and/or Type I supply. Each Residential and Type I service type and each contract term will have a PAT developed
- The PATs will be developed by the PSC's consultant, with input from the PSC Staff
- The suppliers will not be informed of the PATs
- Each PAT will be compared to the load weighted average price of all of the winning bids applicable to that PAT, i.e., the PAT will not be used as a threshold for individual bids

Price Anomaly Procedure (continued)

- If the average price of the portfolio of winning bids exceeds the PAT, the highest priced bids will be removed until the average price is at or less than the PAT
- If bids are rejected due to the application of a PAT, such deficiency in supply will be bid in either the next procurement (if available) or in the reserve procurement
- A supplier will not be notified that its bid was rejected due to a PAT, but simply that its bid was rejected

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Sample Transaction Confirmation

EXHIBIT A													
TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION EXAMPLE (all information included is fictitious and is for example purposes only) 99999 (Tag Number)													
This Transaction Confirmation lette Service Agreement" dated herein shall have the meanings ascri following terms of the transaction (" period begins onand ends [Pepco/Delmarva] time of use perio	(the bed to t Transa on	e "Agre hem in ction") , and	ement" the Ag agreed tits nor) betw reeme to on	reen H nt. T	Buyer an his Tran ('''	d Selle sactio Trans	er. Te n Con action	n the '' rms us firmat Date"	Full F sed bu ion sh). Ut	equin it not iall co ility s	remén defin onfirm umm	ed 1 the er
Seller:	ABC E	lectric											
Buyer:	MD Utility												
Product:		Full Requirements Service											
Service Type:	Type I Non-Residential SOS												
Delivery Point: PJM Control Area with settlement at the [applicable PNODE ID for EDC]													
	Delivery Period: June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2019												
Bid Blocks 2													
Specified Percentage: 25.064% Base PLC Per Bid Block													
Residential Service Determined on the first day of the Delivery Period in accordance with Section 6.3 (a) (i)													
Type I Non-Residential Service	Determined on the first day of the Delivery Period in accordance with Section 6.3 (a) (i)												
	Type II Non-Residential Service n/a												
Type II Large Customer Service	n/a												
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Price Periods Within Delivery Period: Customer Classes:						31, 2018 SL			June 1. G		<u>- May</u> 3S	31, 20	<u>19</u> SL
Monthly Settlement Base Price:			G	G	5	SL			G	(22		SL
Annual Energy, \$/MWh-Premise			n/a	n	-	90.00			n/a		n/a	0.	5.00
Sumer Energy, \$/MWh-Premise			140.00		-	n/a			130.00		n/a		n/a
Non-Summer Energy, \$/MWh-Premise			120.00			n/a			110.00		n/a		n/a
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		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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Please confirm that the terms stated herein accurately reflect the Transaction reached on the Transaction Date above between Seller and Buyer by returning an executed copy of this Transaction Confirmation to Buyer by: (i) email to (Buyer's email address) or (ii) facsimile at (Buyer's fax number) in accordance with Section 2.8 – Transaction Confirmation of the Agreement. The signatories to this Transaction Confirmation must have the authority to enter into this Transaction.									l to				
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Full Requirements Service Obligations

- Seller must provide all services (other than network transmission) to • meet its share of the load obligation at the wholesale level, as accounted for by PJM
- Seller's obligations include, but are not limited to the following: •
 - Energy
 - Capacity
 - Transmission other than network transmission
 - Ancillary services
 - Renewable energy resource requirements
 Transmission & distribution energy losses

 - Congestion management costs
 - New PJM charges, other than charges assessed to network Transmission customer

Full Requirements Service Obligations (continued)

- Buyer's obligations include the following:
 - Accept service from Seller for resale to retail customers, i.e., Buyer is the Load Serving Entity
 - Network Integration Transmission Service
 - Future PJM charges assessed to network transmission customers
 - Distribution service

Scheduling & Forecasting

- Utilities' load settlement processes will establish the daily load obligations for Sellers and post such obligations to the Sellers' PJM accounts
- Seller is responsible for all scheduling with PJM to meet the obligation
- Seller is responsible for weekly and monthly settlements with PJM pertaining to their obligations
- Buyer will provide to the Seller on a reasonable efforts basis:
 - On each business day after execution, Buyer's estimation of Seller's capacity PLC for the seventh following day for each service type
 - On each business day of the delivery period, Buyer's estimation of Seller's energy and capacity obligation as is provided to PJM for settlement purposes for each service type, transaction, voltage level and customer class

Congestion Management

- Seller is responsible for all congestion management costs
- Buyer will transfer to Seller its congestion revenue rights in proportion to the Seller's share of the load, i.e., revenue rights will follow the load
- The nominations for congestion revenue rights for the upcoming PJM planning year will be made by the entity recognized by PJM as having the right to make such nominations, i.e., the supplier who has the load obligation effective June 1, the first day of the planning period
 - For Type II quarterly contracts, this nomination will be made by the Maryland Utilities until winning suppliers are known in the April 2025 procurement

Buyer's Load Response Programs

- Buyer will manage all aspects of its programs
- Buyer will retain all benefits associated with its programs
- In real-time market, Seller's load obligation will reflect the load reduction due to activation of programs

Determination of Delivered Quantities

- Delivered quantities on an energy (MWh) basis will be as reported by Buyer to PJM for Seller's obligation, reduced for losses to reflect load at the retail meter
 - Includes unaccounted-for-energy
 - In accordance with PJM's initial (day-after) settlement, and 60-day settlement

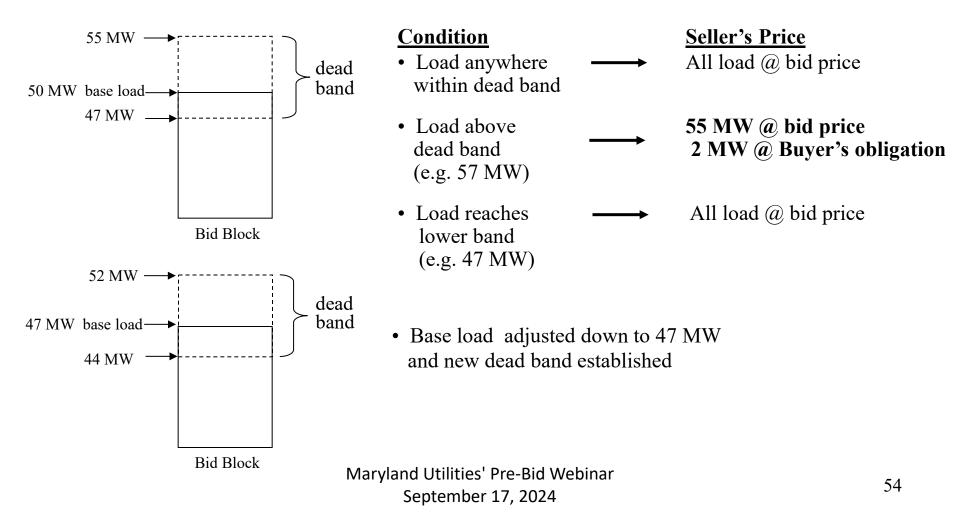
Risk Mitigation Measures for Sellers

- Elimination of Network Transmission obligation
- Increment/Decrement provisions for mitigation of volume risk due to customer migration
- New Renewable Resource Requirements
 - If requirements are changed by law, Buyer will pay Seller's incremental cost, subject to PSC approval, for the balance of the contract year in which the change took place
 - In subsequent years of a multi-year transaction, seller is not obligated, but may continue to provide any incremental renewable requirement
 - Subsequent RFPs will pick up the new requirements

Base Load and Increment Load

- An "increment/decrement" concept to mitigate volume risk associated with customer migration for Type I and Residential service:
 - The Base Bid Block Size is established on the first day of power flow
 - Thresholds for the difference between the daily block size and Base Bid Block Size: inc = +5MW, dec = -3MW
 - Upon trigger of an inc, inc load = load above Base Bid Block Size + 5MW
 - Upon trigger of a dec, Base Bid Block Size is ratcheted down in increments of 3MW with more than one reduction per day allowed
- Buyer has the increment load obligation

Base Load and Increment Load Example



Billing and Settlement

- Buyer will develop and deliver incremental weekly and monthly invoices to the Seller consistent with PJM settlement dates
- Buyer will pay Seller by electronic funds transfer by 12:00 p.m. on the PJM settlement date
- Seller is responsible for its settlements with PJM for base load obligations only
- Buyer is responsible for settlements with PJM for incremental load obligations

Performance Assurance

- Security against Seller's default
- Nominally represents Buyer's exposure above Seller's unsecured credit limit
- Formulaic and transparent methodology for determining Buyer's exposure
- A Buyer's call on performance assurance cannot be disputed by Seller
- Forms of performance assurance are cash, LC and Guaranty

Performance Assurance (continued)

- Calculation done every business day:
 - Each transaction with a Seller is marked to market (MtM) & the exposures are summed
 - If Buyer is exposed, the exposure is reduced by the value of the amount delivered but not yet paid
 - If Buyer is still exposed the exposure is compared to the Seller's unsecured credit amount
 - If the exposure exceeds the unsecured credit amount, a call is made on performance assurance
- The MtM exposure will equal the change in the PJM Western Hub forward energy prices relative to initial forward prices for each forward month times the estimated forward monthly energy quantities

Performance Assurance (continued)

- Estimated forward energy quantities will be derived from the quantities stated on each Transaction Confirmation associated with 50 MWs of PLC. The quantities will be scaled for the current size of each contract
- The forward prices used at the Western Hub will be the on-peak prices
- The forward off-peak prices will be derived using an historic ratio of the day-ahead off-peak and on-peak prices
- An independent pricing agent will be retained by the Buyers to provide the forward prices

Unsecured Credit

- Initially determined from financial data provided by supplier in the pre-bid qualification process
- Reviewed daily for changes in credit rating
- Based on Seller's financial parameters, or Seller's guarantor's financial parameters
 - Form of guaranty is non-negotiable and can be found as Exhibit F in the FSA
- Seller's unsecured credit will be the lower of:
 - Seller's (or Seller's guarantor) unsecured credit cap
 - Seller's (or Seller's guarantor) relevant tangible net worth
 - Guaranty amount from Seller's guarantor

Unsecured Credit (continued)

Seller's unsecured credit cap will be based on seller's lowest credit rating

Credit Rating				
<u>S&P</u>	<u>Fitch</u>	<u>Moody's</u>	<u>TNW</u> <u>Percentage</u>	<u>Unsecured</u> Credit Cap
A or above	A or above	A2 or above	15%	\$125,000,000
A-	A-	A3	10%	\$100,000,000
BBB+	BBB+	Baa1	8%	\$75,000,000
BBB	BBB	Baa2	6%	\$50,000,000
BBB-	BBB-	Baa3	4%	\$25,000,000
BB+	BB+	Ba1	2%	\$15,000,000
BB	BB	Ba2	1%	\$10,000,000
BB-	BB-	Ba3	0.5%	\$5,000,000
Below BB- / Unrated	Below BB- / Unrated	Below Ba3 / Unrated	0%	\$0.00

Foreign Entities

- A Seller or Seller's guarantor that has not been incorporated in the United States has a predefined way to participate in the Maryland Auction
- See FSA Section 14.6 for details

Unrated Entities

- An entity that is unrated and who does not have a rated guarantor can qualify as a supplier
 - The entity will not be given any unsecured credit
 - The entity is subject to higher pre bid collateral amounts of \$600,000 per bid block
 - If a rated bidder is granted an Unsecured Credit Cap of \$0.00 and has credit ratings (i) below BB- for S&P, (ii) below Ba3 for Moody's or (iii) below BB- for Fitch, then the amount of bid assurance collateral required would increase to \$600,000 per bid block

Default & Termination

- Default conditions provided in FSA Section 12.1
- Remedies
 - If Seller defaults but continues to perform, Buyer may create a special remedy subject to PSC approval
 - Non-defaulting party may suspend performance up to 10 days
 - Non-defaulting party may terminate by setting an Early Termination Date
- In the event of an early termination of a FSA, all other wholesale suppliers will have the option to take a full or partial pro-rata share of the terminated contract without change to pricing, terms and conditions

Settlement Upon Early Termination

- For any part of a terminated contract that is not covered by suppliers exercising their step-up rights, a termination payment will be determined
- Non-defaulting party will determine default damages and settlement amount in a commercially reasonable manner
 - Default damages include costs from event of default up to the termination date
 - Settlement amount includes costs at and beyond the termination date
 - Option provided to Seller regarding determination of settlement amount to accommodate either mark-to-market accounting or accrual accounting
- If Buyer is the non-defaulting party, Buyer will conduct a competitive solicitation to replace the terminated contract under identical price, terms and conditions
 - Until the delivery period starts with the new seller, Buyer will procure from the PJM spot market
 - The net spot market costs, along with the cost or proceeds from the solicitation, will define the settlement amount