Addendum I 473-25-00006 Permian Basin Questions

- 1. Is there a statement document we need to let you and your team know on intent to propose?
- A: No. The PUCT only accepts proposals in response to the RFP. All proposals are due on July 30, 2025, by 10:00 a.m. See Section 5.A. of the RFP for more information.
- 2. I would assume the size of the team to perform is up to us, and would be reflected in the FFP?
- A: Correct. Each Proposer must determine how to fulfill the requirements in the Statement of Work and its corresponding personnel to assign to perform the work. See Sections 6.A.2 and 6.A.3 of the RFP for more information.
- 3. Do we have a central location to work out of, or is it up to the proposer to find office space in the general area?
- A: Each Proposer needs to have its own work space. While Proposers may be required to attend meetings at the offices of the PUCT in Austin, Texas, the PUCT is not furnishing work space for the selected Contractor.
- 4. Can we get maps that are mentioned but not attached, so we know the general area being covered by these projects?
- A: Maps for each project that requires a certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) will be submitted with each filed application. General maps were included in Project No. 55718, Item #17, ERCOT Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study Report, but they are at a very high level.
- 5. Would we be bringing our own servers or cloud-based software for cost and schedule?
- A: Each Proposer is responsible for furnishing equipment, including hardware and software, necessary to meet the requirements set forth in the Statement of Work. Further, each Proposer should set forth, in detail, how it intends to meet the requirements in the Statement of Work. See Section 6.A.2 of the RFP for more information.
- 6. How many different TSP's are going to involved?
- A: There are 9 TSPs: Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC (Oncor); Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP); AEP Texas Inc.; Lower Colorado River Authority Transmission Services Corporation (LCRA TSC); City Public

Service Board (CPS Energy); Garland Power & Light (Garland); Lone Star Transmission, LLC (Lone Star); Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC (WETT); and South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (STEC).

- 7. Will all questions and answers be distributed to all bidders?
- A: As referenced in Section 5.A. of the RFP, all RFP modifications and addenda will be posted on the Electronic State Business Daily website and the PUCT's Procurement webpage.
- 8. Are there any other projects on the horizon besides the 6 already docketed?
- A: The total number of approved projects is approximately 90 (inclusive of the 765-kV import paths that were approved in lieu of the 345-kV import paths).

For a complete list of approved projects, please refer to:

- a. Project No. 55718, Item #52, Order Approving the Reliability Plan for the Permian Basin Region; and
- b. Project No. 55718, Item # 109, Second Order Approving the Reliability Plan for the Permian Basin Region.

For a complete list of assigned projects (inclusive of the 765-kV import paths that were ultimately approved and the 345-kV import paths that were ultimately not approved), please refer to:

- a. Docket No. 57441, Item #4, Petition for Consolidated Permian Basin Reliability Plan CCN Filing Authorization and Attachment A (available in native format only); and
- b. Docket No. 57441, Item #32, Joint Filing for Planned Permian Basin Reliability Plan CCN Filing Schedule, Attachment A.

There are multiple projects. It is anticipated that 26 of the projects will require a Commission-approved CCN. There have been two CCN applications filed for Permian projects. Projects that may not need a CCN may already have begun. Please refer to Docket No. 57441, Item #32.

- 9. Are the 6 being done concurrently? Or in sequence?
- A: Project No. 57441, Item #32, Joint Filing for Planned Permian Basin Reliability Plan CCN Filing Schedule, Attachment A, identifies the anticipated timeline for TSPs to file CCN applications. Some, but not all, of the CCN applications will be filed concurrently. The Utilities Code § 37.057 requires the Commission to approve or deny a CCN application within 180 days of the filing of the application.

- 10. How many miles per project?
- A: Each project involves a different number of miles.

For estimates, please refer to Project No. 55718, Item #17, ERCOT Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study Report. On pages iv-v, ERCOT summarized the common local transmission upgrades as follows:

- a. Add approximately 174 miles of new 345-kV double-circuit transmission lines.
- b. Upgrade approximately 43 miles of existing 345-kV transmission lines and add second circuits.
- c. Upgrade approximately 98 miles of existing 345-kV double-circuit transmission lines.
- d. Add 8 new 345-kV/138-kV substations with 17 new 345-kV/138-kV transformers.
- e. Add approximately 186 miles of new 138-kV transmission lines.
- f. Upgrade approximately 221 miles of existing 138-kV transmission lines.
- g. Convert approximately 230 miles of existing 69-kV transmission lines to 138-kV.
- h. Add approximately 3,600 MVAr worth of reactive power devices.

On page ix of the same ERCOT Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study Report, ERCOT estimates that the total length for the 765-kV import paths is approximately 1,255 miles. For a project that requires a CCN, the route that is ultimately approved by the Commission in the CCN proceeding may impact the miles associated with the project.

- 11. Is there any room for a 2-week extension?
- A: No. All proposals are due on July 30, 2025, by 10:00 a.m.
- 12. How many project managers will we have to interface with?
- A: Each of the 9 TSPs will have at least one individual to interact with the selected Contractor, but it is unknown whether they will have more than one individual to interact with the selected Contractor.
- 13. Are all the projects going to in one integrated schedule?
- A: No, the compliance reporting portal is currently unable to download all the information into a single excel document. Currently, the information can be downloaded only in a PDF format for each project.
- 14. Are the TSP's required to use a standard format for cost and schedule reporting?

- A: Yes, all cost and schedule reporting must be submitted on the Commission's compliance reporting portal and submitted in a uniform manner.
- 15. What is the expected working schedule of the TSP's.
- A: All projects are anticipated to be completed by 2038, but each TSP may have different working schedules.