

SOLAR ENERGY CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED						
New Delhi						
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Request for Selection (RfS) Document for Selection of Solar Power Developers for Setting up of 15 MW of Grid-Connected Rooftop Solar PV Projects on Government buildings under RESCO mode through Tariff-Based Competitive Bidding: Clarifications to the queries on the RfS (RfS No. SECI/C&P/IPP/14/0002/23-24 dated: 07.07.2023)						
S. No.	Documents	Clause No.	Existing Clause	Proposed Modifications	Rationale/Remarks	SECI's response
1	RfS	31.3	Technical Eligibility Criteria Modification: “The Bidder must have experience in Design, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Grid Connected Solar PV Power Plants of cumulative Capacity not less than 50% of quoted capacity in the last 07 (Seven) Financial Years prior to the bid submission deadline of this RfS. The Solar PV Power Plants must be commissioned and should be operating satisfactorily for a period not less than 1 year. The last date of bid submission will be the cut-off date for consideration of such experience”. AND “The Bidder must have experience in Design, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of at least 02 (Two) Grid Connected Solar PV Power Plants of individual minimum capacities of not less than 50 kW in the last 07 (Seven) Financial Years prior to the bid submission deadline of this RfS. The Solar PV Power Plants and Solar Systems must be commissioned and should be operating satisfactorily for a period not less than 01 year”.		Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited (“SECI”) has not mentioned that can bidders use their Affiliate/Associates companies to meet the technical qualification requirement. Generally, solar power developers establish special purpose vehicle (SPV) companies to execute the projects. In this case, the technical experience would be attributed to the SPV company, which is the case for most developers. Therefore, while participating in any tender, the parent company draws upon the experience of its associate companies to meet the technical eligibility criteria. Therefore, we kindly request you to permit bidders to utilize their Affiliate/Associate companies to fulfil the technical qualification criteria for this tender, as well as for your forthcoming tenders. This is a common and standard practice permitted by SECI earlier and other State Nodal Agencies (“SNA”) in their tenders.	The clause remains unchanged
2			Payment Security from MCD		This should include options such as a Letter of Credit or an Escrow Account, which will be facilitated by MCD and extended to the Solar Power Developers.	in line with clause 7.5 of the PPA, MCD has confirmed that the payment will be made within 2 months on receipt of invoices in the department.

