



CT Energy Efficiency Board Press Release

The Connecticut Energy Efficiency Board (EEB) Extends Deadline for Technical Consultant and Evaluation Administrator RFPs.

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The State of Connecticut Energy Efficiency Board (EEB) is seeking two teams of consultants to support the EEB: a team of Technical Consultants and a team of Evaluation Administrators. The EEB is seeking proposals from consultant teams to fulfill these Technical Consultant roles:

- Senior Technical Consultant
- Residential Technical Consultant
- Commercial and Industrial (C&I) Technical Consultant
- Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Technical Consultant

Respondents to the Technical Consultant RFP can include team members from the same organization, or they can be from different organizations. Proposals must identify a team leader.

EEB is also seeking an Evaluation Administrator (comprised of a team of consultants) to manage the evaluation function of the CT Conservation and Load Management (C&LM) programs, which are administered by the electric and gas utility distribution companies and by the municipal utility cooperative (utility program administrators).

The EEB, which advises the electric and gas utility distribution companies and oversees the C&LM programs, is a fifteen-member board that includes representatives from governmental agencies, business and residential consumer groups, non-profit organizations, and the utilities. The EEB reports annually to the CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) and the CT General Assembly.

CT legislation created the CT C&LM Plan and the EEB, as described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 16-245m. The C&LM Plan supports a variety of programs that provide financial incentives to help Connecticut consumers reduce the amount of energy used in their homes and businesses. C&LM programs are reviewed by the EEB, a group of advisors who utilize their experience and expertise with energy issues to consult with Connecticut's electric and natural gas utility companies on how programs should best be structured for and delivered to Connecticut consumers¹.

The C&LM Plan is supported by all Eversource and United Illuminating customers on their electricity bills through the Combined Public Benefits Charge; and by Connecticut Natural Gas, Southern Connecticut Gas

¹ See: <http://www.energizect.com/about/CEEF>

Company and Eversource gas customers through a conservation charge included in their rates² (the Utilities).

The Utilities, as the program administrators of the C&LM Plan, submit a plan of energy efficiency programs to the EEB. The C&LM Plans are developed with the advice and assistance of the EEB and its consultants. The Utilities submit the final C&LM Plan to the EEB for vote and to the DEEP for the DEEP Commissioner’s review and approval. All current and past C&LM Plan documents can be found [here](#).

Connecticut is a leading state in energy efficiency, demand response, and load management programs – labeled “Conservation and Load Management,” or “C&LM” in state statute – in several ways. First, Connecticut C&LM programs address a wide range of policies and objectives, cover the full breadth of customer sectors and market segments, employ a wide variety of program and market strategies, and seek to achieve deep and comprehensive energy and demand savings to benefit customers and the state. Second, these ambitious objectives and extensive program efforts are pursued in the context of significant but limited funding, and with strong focus both on leveraging the ratepayer monies used to fund the programs, and on advancing market-based strategies to achieve the savings and other benefits. The combination of ambitious objectives, a wide range of programs, a strong focus on market-based strategies and leveraging, utilities that are supportive of energy efficiency and demand resources, and an engaged public stakeholder board in the form of the EEB makes Connecticut a very interesting and rewarding place to work.

Bidders should review the [EEB’s Operating Procedures](#) to assure they understand the requirements as it relates to the roles and responsibilities of the Evaluation Administrator and Technical Consultants. RFPs are posted on the [RFP page of the EEB website](#).

The start date for the both the Evaluation Administrator and Technical Consultants is approximately October 1, 2022. Proposals should include scopes of work for October 2022 through December 2025. The EEB has the option to renew and continue the consultants' work past December 2025. Proposals should include pricing information for October - December 2022, and then annually from 2023 through 2025.

All questions or other correspondence regarding this RFP should be sent in writing to Emily Rice, EEB Executive Secretary, at executivesecretaryCTEEB@theenergygroup.biz. The timeline for this RFP is as follows:

Publication of RFP:	May 12, 2022
Questions on RFP due:	July 28, 2022
Answers to questions provided:	August 4, 2022
Proposals due:	August 15 (5:00 pm, EST)
Interviews conducted:	September 2022
Selection decision:	September 2022

² Ibid.