

Request for Proposal Notice - Operational and Financial Audit

To be Issued by Eversource, on behalf of the Connecticut Companies

This Request for Proposals ("RFP") is being released on behalf of the Connecticut Light and Power Company and Yankee Gas Services Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource") and The United Illuminating Company ("UI"), Southern Connecticut Gas Company ("SCG"), and Connecticut Natural Gas Company ("CNG"), subsidiaries of AVANGRID, Inc., collectively "the Companies"). The Companies are soliciting bids from qualified bidders to conduct two required audits of the Conservation and Load Management (C&LM) programs—Financial Audit and Operational Audit.

On an annual basis, C&LM programs and budgets are developed and administered by the Companies, reviewed and approved by the Energy Efficiency Board ("EEB") and its Technical Consultants ("EEB Consultants"), and submitted to DEEP for approval. Approved C&LM programs are administered by the Companies, on the C&LM expenditures for the year ending December 31, 2023 (and annually thereafter). The overall goal of the state's C&LM efforts is to advance the efficient use of energy, reduce air pollution, reduce negative environmental impacts, and promote economic development and energy security in Connecticut.

With the issuance of this Request for Proposal ("RFP"), the Companies are requesting proposals ("Bids") from qualified bidders ("Bidders") to perform both the Financial Audit and Operational Audit.

The Financial Audit should include the issuance of a report that includes a certified opinion on the C&LM financial statements, the internal control over financial reporting, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations on all financial aspects relative to the administration of C&LM funds.

The Operational Audit report should review agreed upon administrational and implementation aspects in efforts to document processes and/or include any potential recommendations for administrative operational improvements. In addition, the Operational Audit report should include commentary on administrative operational efficiency and effectiveness as they relate to the approved C&LM programs, budgets, savings, and performance management incentives earned by the Companies.

Eversource will be conducting this RFP on behalf of the Companies through an ARIBA e-sourcing platform. If you would like to participate, please email EEProcurement@eversource.com by January 2nd, 2024 to be sent an invitation.

In ARIBA, you will find all the information necessary to navigate through the tool and respond to the RFP. The RFP timeline and assessment process are stated below:

RFP issued to Vendors: December 15, 2023

Deadline to Ask Questions via the ARIBA: January 3, 2024

Final Proposal Submission: January 9, 2024

Please note that all questions relating to this RFP must be submitted through the ARIBA Sourcing tool using the Messages function to ensure accurate information is provided to all project team members and suppliers, as well as to ensure process consistency. Eversource will ONLY provide information related to this RFP via the Message function. No other communication vehicles will be allowed.