MINNESOTA POWER – DSES RFP

BIDDER QUESTIONS WE 3/10/2025

Q1: On Page 15, point M of tech specs it states that modules shall have a minimum ground clearance of 33" at all points in their operation range and a maximum height of 8' above the ground. Is there a reason that panels can't exceed 8' in height as this is a major concern and the industry does not construct this close to the ground.

A1: The ground clearance height of 33" is a <u>minimum</u> height, developers may propose a clearance greater than 33" if desired. The 8' maximum height restriction is intended to limit the height of the modules so that maintenance can be performed efficiently. We have found these specifications to be in line with industry standards on utility scale projects. Justification for any deviations from the Technical Specifications should be included in the proposal.

Q2: Are bidders able to include suggested edits/redlines to the company's Model Solar PPA?

A2: Minnesota Power does not expect to make major modifications to the terms of the Model PPA or engage in protracted negotiations on the terms of these agreements. We recommend bidders avoid requesting material changes to the terms of this agreement.

Q3: Regarding Attachment A – Is the company looking for the contact info for someone at the banking institution or the contact info for someone at our company that manages the bank relationship?

A3: Lines 6-8 are requesting the Bidders contact information. Lines 23-24 are requesting the banking institutions contact information.