Montgomery County Department of Transportation

Division of Parking Management

REQUEST FOR ENERGY PROPOSALS
Procurements of on-site solar photovoltaic systems with financing, hosted by Montgomery County Parking Lot Districts.

ADDENDUM # 2
Acknowledge this addendum on form B.5

Date August 20, 2014

Item #1: Submission of the Proposals

The time to receive proposals remains unchanged. Solar Providers must deliver three (3) sets of their proposal and supporting documents via USB drive or CD-ROM to the Montgomery County, Department of Transportation, 100 Edison Park Drive 4th Floor, Gaithersburg, MD 20878 no later than 3:00 PM EDT, September 5th, 2014. Envelopes shall be clearly labeled with “SOLAR RFEP 01 MCDOT.”

Solar Providers may submit the requested 3 sets of electronic media with all required proposal files uploaded to each device via FedEx, UPS or overnight delivery method. The proposals must reach our facility by 12:00PM EDT, to allow us the retrieving them from the internal mail system, by the 3:00PM EDT deadline.

If submitting in person, after reaching our facility, please call Mr. Deryck Blair at 240 777 8728 or cell 202 615 9780. Please handover your proposals to him. Alternate person to contact is Mr. Jeff Riese at 240 777 8722 or cell 240 372 3949.

Item #2: Clearance for Solar Canopy Structures

The minimum clearance height below any obstruction shall be 7’- 6”. Note that some of the pedestals on the top deck are not structural column extensions. The successful proposer will have to investigate this with GPR or other methods.

Item #3: Treatment of Solar Renewable Energy Certificates

The Department intends to either purchase the solar energy systems directly or all electricity generated by the systems on an annual basis, and retain all associated Solar Renewable Energy Certificates (SRECs). However, the County will consider selling SRECs for a limited period, such as the first three (3) years, in order to help offset system
cost. The County would be interested in REC arbitrage options in order to maintain environmental benefits over the life of the solar energy systems.

**Item #4: Power Purchase Agreement Annual Escalation Rate**

The County has provided Attachment B.2 – Pricing Proposal and Production Form in order to for Solar Providers to provide direct purchase or power purchase agreement (PPA) pricing information. The County has chosen to require a 0% PPA escalation rate for the first two years, followed by a 2% PPA escalation rate for the remaining years of the contract. If a Solar Provider would like to propose an alternative PPA escalation arrangement in addition to what has been requested, such as a 0% escalation rate for the entire term, then they are free to do so. Solar Providers interested in this option must email the County contact listed in the RFEP to obtain an unlocked version of the Attachment B.2 form.