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SCHEDULE OF DEFINED TERMS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

This DG RFP uses the defined terms identified in this Schedule, or in the body of this DG RFP, and the rules of construction identified in this Schedule.

2025 IRP: GPC's 2025 Integrated Resource Plan as approved by the Commission in Docket No. 56002.

2025 IRP Final Order: The Order from the 2025 IRP as approved by the Commission in Docket No. 56002.

2026 DG RFP: This 2026 Request for Proposals for Solar Photovoltaic Distributed Generation.

AC: Alternating current.

Access Route: The suitable all-weather access route from the nearest public roadway to the Change of Ownership that is acceptable to GPC and that must be available to GPC at all times (24/7/365(366)) throughout the IA term to facilitate GPC's construction, operation, or maintenance of the Interconnection Facilities or other related GPC activity.

Affected System: An Electric System utility other than GPC, an electric facility owner, or another utility that is impacted by Bidder's proposed Facility interconnection.

Affiliate: For a specific Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" when used regarding any entity means the power to direct the management and policies of the entity, directly or indirectly, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise. A Person directly or indirectly owning 50% or more of the outstanding stock or other equity interest of a Person has "control" of that Person; the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to "control."

Affiliate Bid Team: As set forth in Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(d), any GPC Affiliate (e.g., Southern Power Company) that intends to submit a Bid into this DG RFP, as well as any other Persons acting for that Affiliate or on its behalf in support of the development and submission of any Bid.

AGC: See *Automatic Generation Control*.

AGC Requirements: The performance and technical requirements for the AGC as set forth in the applicable pro forma PPA.

Annual Capacity Price: The price that GPC will pay to Seller for Contracted Capacity, as will be designated in the PPA.

Annual Energy Contract Amount (AECA): The amount of Energy to be delivered to GPC for the applicable Annual Period (adjusted for leap years) as will be set forth in PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*), Table B (*Annual Energy Contract Amount*).

Annual Period: Any one of a succession of consecutive 12-month periods during the Term, the first of which will begin on the first Day of the month after Seller obtains COA, except that if COA occurs on the first Day of a month, the first Day of the first Annual Period is the date of COA.

ASC: The FASB Accounting Standards Codification.

Automatic Generation Control (AGC): The equipment and capability of a facility to automatically adjust energy output, and specifically, the Facility's capability to accept a set point electronically and the automatic adjustment and regulation of the Facility's energy output to meet that set point.

Auxiliary Equipment: Auxiliary or ancillary equipment at or otherwise supporting the Facility, including lights and security equipment and systems (e.g., gates and cameras).

Auxiliary Operational Load: Load that is required for thermal management of the Storage Device (e.g., HVAC) and essential Facility operation (e.g., control system building) that must be metered separately from Charging Energy, or, if the Storage Device is not capable of separately metering Auxiliary Operational Load, determined based on aggregated telemetry from the Storage Device controller or other measurement mutually agreed upon by the Parties. Auxiliary Operational Load is distinct from and must be measured or calculated separately from Charging Energy and paid for by Seller.

Average Total Net Benefit: The average total net benefit of all Submissions advanced to the Target List as part of the Initial RFP Period.

Avoided Energy Costs: For each hour of a given month, the amount, in cents per kilowatt-hour (¢/kWh), that is equal to the avoided cost of generation on the GPC territorial system for each hour of the month. Avoided Energy Costs can include the costs associated with avoided fuel costs, avoided variable operations and maintenance costs, avoided environmental compliance costs, and avoided transmission energy losses.

Awarded Contract: An executed PPA between GPC and a Seller (i.e., Winning Bidder).

Battery Management System (BMS): Defined in Exhibit K (*Storage Technical Requirements*).

BESS Controller: Defined in Exhibit K (*Storage Technical Requirements*).

Best Cost Analysis: An analytical method GPC will use to compare Bids and Company-Owned Proposal(s) to one or more SWAC Reference Benchmarks to determine the Best Cost Threshold.

Best Cost Threshold: The threshold selected through the Best Cost Analysis that GPC will use to determine which Bids and Company-Owned Proposals are Economically Competitive Submissions.

Bid: As more fully delineated in Part 6 (*Submission Process*), each separate bid submitted into this DG RFP.

Bid Assignment: Defined in Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*).

Bid Book: Each Bidder's private electronic file on the IE Website through which the Bidder communicates with the Evaluation Team, Staff, and IE, and in which all Bid-specific documents submitted by the Bidder are stored.

Bid Due Date: The date and time specified for complete submission of Bids into this DG RFP, as shown in the Solicitation Schedule (Section 1.1.1 (*Solicitation Schedule*)) or, if applicable, as modified in accordance with DG RFP terms and conditions.

Bid Fee: The non-refundable $6/kW fee Bidder must submit with each Bid to defray the costs incurred by GPC to administer this DG RFP.

Bid Form: The electronic form found on the IE Website through which a Bidder submits its Bid, including Supplemental Bid Information if requested by GPC.

Bid Period: The period of time during which a Bidder may submit a Bid for consideration, as shown in the Solicitation Schedule (Section 1.1.1 (*Solicitation Schedule*)).

Bid Price: The Levelized Pricing or Escalating Pricing stream (¢/kWh for Solar Output and $/kW-year for Contracted Capacity) in the Bid, including all Interconnection Costs.

Bidder: As applicable, each Person contemplating submission of a Bid or who submits a Bid.

Bid Information: The ongoing status of any Bid or potential Bid and any information submitted, exchanged, or discussed between the Bidder, Staff, the IE, and GPC (the exchanges and discussions to occur in accordance with the guidelines of this DG RFP and Commission Rules).

Bidders' Conference: The conference held for Bidders and interested Persons to discuss this DG RFP Process and the draft RFP Documents with GPC, Staff, and the IE.

Business Day: Any Day excluding Saturday, Sunday, and any Day on which banking institutions in Atlanta, Georgia are closed because of a federal holiday.

CARES DG: The DG Clean and Renewable Energy Subscription program approved under the 2025 IRP Final Order.

Certification: The certification GPC will seek from the Commission under O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-4 for each Awarded Contract and any winning Company-Owned Proposal.

Change of Control Transaction: Defined in Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*).

Change of Ownership: The physical point where the Facility's tie-line connects with the ICF Site Interconnection Facilities, as will be further defined and depicted in the IA.

Charging Energy: Energy provided by GPC via Grid Charging or the Renewable Resource for purposes of charging the Storage Device in accordance with GPC's DERMS setpoint signals or direction.

CIR: See *Customer-Identified Resource*.

CIR Target List: The Target List of CIR Submissions that: (i) offer a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit; and (ii) have been selected by a Customer.

CIR Submission: A Submission offering a Customer-Identified Resource.

CIR Website: Defined in Section 9.1.3 (*CIR Website*).

CIR Winner's Fee: The fee assessed for each winning CIR Bid to cover IE costs and other costs of administering the CIR process that are not covered by Bid Fees.

COA: See Commercial Operation Authorization.

COP: See *Company-Owned Proposal*.

Comment Period: The period during which Participants and interested Persons may submit, via the IE Website, comments regarding the RFP Documents and the RFP Process, as shown in the Solicitation Schedule (Section 1.1.1 (*Solicitation Schedule*)).

Commercial Operation: The Facility's generation of Energy, and, if applicable, ability to charge and discharge energy, on a reliable basis according to the Awarded Contract requirements.

Commercial Operation Authorization (COA): GPC's written notice to Seller that the Facility can commence Commercial Operation under the PPA.

Commission: The Georgia Public Service Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to the powers and functions of the Commission.

Company-Owned Proposal (COP): A GPC proposal to construct, own, operate, and maintain a Facility that can deliver a portion of the renewable resources sought by this DG RFP.

Company-Owned Proposal Team: Any GPC team that intends to submit a Company-Owned Proposal in this DG RFP, as well as any other Person acting for that GPC team or on its behalf in support of the development and submission of any Company-Owned Proposal.

Contracted Capacity: All the Facility capacity (in kW) to be provided under the PPA for a Facility with a Storage Device.

Contract Energy Price: The price that GPC will pay to Seller for Solar Output, as will be designated in the PPA.

Creditworthy or **Creditworthiness:** Regarding a Person, the Person has: (i) a senior unsecured debt rating, or if the Person has no senior unsecured debt rating, an issuer rating from two of the Rating Agencies above: (a) BBB+ by S&P, if rated by S&P; (b) Baa1 by Moody's, if rated by Moody's; and (c) BBB+ by Fitch, if rated by Fitch, respectively; or (ii) (1) a senior unsecured debt rating or, if the Person has no senior unsecured debt rating, an issuer rating from two of the Rating Agencies of at least: (a) BBB- by S&P, if rated by S&P; (b) Baa3 by Moody's, if rated by Moody's; and (c) BBB- by Fitch, if rated by Fitch, respectively; and (2) satisfactory and verifiable creditworthiness determined in GPC's reasonable discretion.

Customer: A current or prospective CARES DG subscriber meeting all eligibility requirements of the applicable CARES DG tariff.

Customer Identified Resource (CIR): DG resources that current or prospective CARES DG subscribers can, via the CIR Website, identify or offer for potential procurement by GPC during the Extended RFP Period.

Cycle or Cycled: The equivalent charge of Storage Device Operating Energy, in kWhs, from 0% to 100% and subsequent discharge from 100% to 0%, regardless of whether the complete charge or complete discharge occurs during one or more charges or discharges. The discharged energy of the Storage Device will be tracked on six-second intervals and accumulated over the course of each Day to determine whether the Cycle Limit has been reached, regardless of when charging occurs.

Cycle Limit: The maximum number of times over the course of any Annual Period that the Storage Device may be Cycled.

Day: Any calendar day, including Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday.

DC: Direct current.

Deficient Submission: Any Submission that fails to provide all required information or is otherwise noncompliant with this DG RFP.

Delay Damages: Liquidated damages, in amounts that will be stipulated in the Awarded Contract, to be paid by Seller for a failure to: (i) achieve Mechanical Completion by the RMCD; or (ii) submit the Initial Synchronization Request by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization.

DERMS: See *Distributed Energy Resource Management System*.

DG: See *Distributed Generation*.

DG Community Solar: GPC's Distributed Generation Community Solar subscription program that offers subscriptions to GPC's residential customers.

DG Interconnection Construction Guidelines: GPC's ***Distributed Generation Interconnection Construction Guidelines***, available at https://www.georgiapower.com/content/dam/georgia-power/pdfs/residential-pdfs/solar/dg-interconnection-construction-guidelines.pdf, or any successor guideline.

DG RFP: This 2026 DG RFP.

Distributed Generation (DG): Renewable generation facilities with generating capacity sized greater than 250 kW, but not more than 6 MW, that interconnect to the Distribution System.

Distribution Cost Matrix: GPC's cost matrix that provides non-binding estimates of the typical costs that may be incurred to safely and reliably interconnect with the Distribution System.

Distributed Energy Resource Management System (DERMS): GPC's Distributed Energy Resource Management System used to monitor and dispatch a Facility.

Distribution System: Electric System facilities owned by GPC that operate at a nominal operating AC voltage below 40 kV.

Distribution Test Policy: GPC's ***Distribution Test Policy***, which is available at distribution-test-policy.pdf, or any successor policy.

Eastern Time (ET): The time in the easternmost time zone of the United States, taking into account daylight savings time if it is in effect (i.e., Eastern Standard Time (EST) or Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), as applicable).

Economically Competitive Submission: Any Bid or Company-Owned Proposal that ranks at or better than the Best Cost Threshold and otherwise conforms to the requirements of this DG RFP.

Economically Non-Competitive Submission: Any Bid or Company-Owned Proposal that conforms to the requirements of this DG RFP but ranks worse than the Best Cost Threshold.

Electric System: The network of electric generation, transmission, or distribution facilities owned or operated by GPC or other electric utilities in Georgia or a surrounding state, specifically including: (i) the Georgia Integrated Transmission System; and (ii) Interconnection Facilities.

Electrical Products: All electrical products produced by or related to the Facility, including spinning reserves, operating reserves, balancing energy, regulation service, ramping capability, reactive power, voltage control, frequency control, and other ancillary or essential reliability service products, or any benefit GPC otherwise would have realized from or related to the Facility if GPC, rather than Seller, had constructed, owned, or operated the Facility, it being the Parties' intent that all those benefits and entitlements, in addition to electrical output, that flow from construction, ownership, or operation of the Facility, whether existing as of the Execution Date or at any time during the PPA Term, will belong to GPC, at no additional cost to GPC. For the avoidance of doubt, Electrical Products do not include: (i) any federal, state, or local tax attribute arising from ownership of the Facility, including any investment tax credit (ITC), production tax credit (PTC), or depreciation deduction; (ii) any grant in lieu of investment tax credit or any similar financial payment or grant regarding the Facility; or (iii) the metered electric Energy produced by the Facility.

Eligible Collateral: Either: (i) cash deposited into a Security Account or as otherwise deposited with GPC as the Parties may agree; (ii) a Letter of Credit; or (iii) a Guaranty.

Energy: Either: (i) for a Facility without a Storage Device, the energy portion of the Solar Output delivered by the Facility to the POI, in accordance with the PPA; or (ii) for a Facility with a Storage Device: (a) the solar

energy produced by the Facility and delivered under the PPA to the POI: (I) directly from the Renewable Resource; or (II) directly from the Storage Device (i.e., Renewable Resource Charging Energy), as further defined in the PPA, which for each of (i) and (ii) does not include Environmental Attributes produced by the Facility.

Environmental Assurance: The environmental information and compliance documentation (e.g., prior, current/ongoing environmental studies, documents, assessments, surveys, corrective action plans, natural resource inventories) that, if requested by GPC, Participant must submit to GPC, within 60 Days after Participant is notified its Bid advanced to the RFP Target List, to confirm that Participant, the proposed Site, and the ICF Site, if applicable, comply with the environmental standards required by applicable law and by GPC.

Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit: A notarized affidavit, the form of which is found in Exhibit I (*Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit Form*), confirming that Participant: (i) understands its obligation to comply with all legal environmental standards and requirements respecting the Site; (ii) agrees to conduct further due diligence in consideration of the factors presented in Environmental Assurances Guidance Document if the Submission advances to the RFP Target List; and (iii) will avoid, minimize, mitigate, and as appropriate, permit and obtain any required regulatory authorization for any environmental impact, as required under applicable federal, state, or local law throughout the: (a) PPA Term; or (b) Company-Owned Proposal Facility design life, as applicable.

Environmental Assurances Guidance Document: The ***Georgia Power Company Generation Procurement Programs Environmental Assurances Guidance Document*** that outlines the environmental considerations, standards, and resources that Participants must adhere to in order to meet the environmental requirements for GPC's generation procurement programs, including this DG RFP, available as a supplemental document on the IE Website.

Environmental Attributes: Either: (i) any fuel-related, emissions-related, air quality-related, or other environmental-related aspect, claim, characteristic, benefit, credit, reduction, offset, savings allowance, efficiency, certificate, tag, attribute, demand reduction, or similar product or right (including all of those relating to greenhouse gases and all green certificates, green tags, renewable energy certificates, renewable certificates, RECs, CO2 credits, emissions reduction credits, and all those that otherwise arise or result from the Facility's generation of Energy, and all those that otherwise arise or result from the Facility's existence): (a) howsoever titled and whether known or unknown; (b) whether existing as of the PPA Execution Date or at any time during the PPA Term; and (c) whether the Environmental Attribute has been certified or verified under any renewable standard, including all those that could qualify or do qualify for application toward compliance with any local, state, federal, or international renewable energy portfolio standard, green pricing program, renewable energy program, carbon reduction or greenhouse gas reduction initiative, electricity savings program, or other environmental program, incentive mandate, or objective, in each case whether voluntary or mandatory; or (ii) any environmental benefit GPC otherwise would have realized from or related to the Facility if GPC, rather than Seller, had constructed, owned, or operated the Facility, as applicable. Environmental Attributes do not include any federal, state, or local tax attribute arising from ownership of the Facility, including any investment tax credit (ITC), production tax credit (PTC), or depreciation deduction, or any grant in lieu of investment tax credit or any similar financial payment or grant with respect to the Facility.

Environmental Site Assessment: The necessary assessment conducted by Participant before submitting a Submission that, at a minimum, contemplates the factors delineated in the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document.

Escalating Pricing: PPA pricing (i.e., the Monthly Energy Payment, and, if applicable Annual Capacity Price, as defined in the applicable PPA) that escalates each Annual Period.

ET: See *Eastern Time*.

Evaluation Team: The team preparing this DG RFP and evaluating Bids submitted in this DG RFP. The Evaluation Team includes the Primary Evaluation Team and Specialized Technical Support Personnel.

Event of Default: A failure by Seller to perform or comply with a material term or condition of the Awarded Contract, as further defined in the Awarded Contract.

Execution Date: The date on which GPC signs the Awarded Contract, as shown on the signature pages.

Extended RFP Period: Defined in Section 9.1.1 (*Extended RFP Period*).

Facility: The solar electric DG facility and, if applicable, Storage Device, as described in the Bid (and as will be further described in PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*)) or Company-Owned Proposal, including, for a PPA Facility, all equipment and facilities not owned by GPC and installed on Seller's side of the Change of Ownership. A Facility also includes all primary and Auxiliary Equipment and facilities installed at the Site necessary or used for the production, control, delivery, monitoring, or storage of Energy or Charging Energy, as applicable. A Facility cannot cross a railroad, public waterway, public road, or equivalent transportation interchange.

Facility Size: The ***sum of***: (i) the Renewable Resource Capacity; ***plus*** (ii) the SDDC for the first Annual Period, if the Facility includes a Storage Device, as will be set forth in PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*).

Facility One-Line Diagram: A diagram of the Facility that is: (i) substantially similar to the sample Facility one-line diagrams found in Exhibit C (*Sample Facility One-Line Diagrams*); or (ii) approved by GPC as described in Exhibit C.

FASB: Financial Accounting Standards Board.

FERC: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Final Facility Documents: The final Facility documents that provide all Facility technical details or are required by GPC (including the final Facility One-Line Diagram, Site plan, panel, inverter and Storage Device specifications (if applicable), and the information required by Southern Company DER Policy Section 8.6.2 (*Completion of DER Construction*)), which may not substantively change without GPC's express prior written consent.

Finance Lease: As defined in the ASC Topic 842, Leases, as issued and modified by FASB.

Fitch: Fitch Ratings Ltd. or its successor. If Fitch ceases to exist or publish ratings, Fitch will mean a nationally recognized rating agency mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

Guarantor: A Person who, at the time of execution and delivery of its Guaranty: (i) is Creditworthy; (ii) is a Seller Affiliate; (iii) derives direct or indirect benefit from the transactions contemplated by the Awarded Contract; and (iv) is otherwise an entity acceptable to GPC in GPC's sole but reasonable discretion.

Guaranty: A guaranty provided by Guarantor that is substantially in the form of the Guaranty in PPA Exhibit F (*Form of Guaranty*).

Governmental Authority: As applicable to the specific Person, facility, or event, any federal, state, or local governmental or regulatory authority, administrative agency, commission, department, board, or court that has jurisdiction over the Person, facility, or event or regarding this DG RFP or the Awarded Contract.

GPC: Georgia Power Company, a Georgia corporation, which is a subsidiary of Southern Company, or any permitted successor or assign. "Company**"** is the equivalent term in the Southern Company DER Policy.

GPC Contractor: A Person providing engineering, procurement, or construction services selected by the Company-Owned Proposal Team to assist with a Company-Owned Proposal submitted in this 2026 RFP.

Grid Charging: Charging the Storage Device from the Electric System.

Hold List: A subset of the Reserve List that consists of Bids that provide a Net Benefit and will be the first Reserve List Bids that will advance to the RFP Target List if a Bid on the RFP Target List is removed.

Hosting Capacity Tool: A web-based map that generally depicts the estimated solar-specific hosting capacity available in certain areas of GPC's service territory.

IA: See *Interconnection Agreement*.

ICF Site: See *Interconnection Facilities Site*.

IE: See *Independent Evaluator*.

IE Website: https://pro.accionpower.com/gpcdgrfp26/summary

Independent Evaluator (IE): The Accion Group, LLC, who reports to the Commission and is under contract with GPC to oversee this DG RFP, provide the IE Website, and serve as point of contact for all Participants.

Initial RFP Period: The period commencing on the date of this RFP and ending on the start date of the Extended RFP Period, if applicable.

Initial Synchronization: GPC's initial energization of the Interconnection Facilities to allow trial parallel operation of the Facility with the Electric System, including export of test electric energy to the Distribution System, for no more than seven Days.

Initial Synchronization Request: Seller's written notice to GPC: (i) informing GPC that, as of the date of Seller's request, the Facility is ready for Initial Synchronization; and (ii) requesting Initial Synchronization.

Intentional Inclusion Certificate: The certificate signed by a signing authority of Bidder in the form found in Exhibit H (*Intentional Inclusion Certificate*) that affirms Bidder's commitment to intentional inclusion.

Interconnection Agreement (IA): The agreement between Seller and GPC containing terms and conditions governing the interconnection and parallel operation of the Facility with the Distribution System.

Interconnection Costs: All costs and expenses (including overheads) arising in connection with: (i) the technical review, design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Interconnection Facilities (including costs associated with obtaining property or property rights required for interconnection, like easements and permits); (ii) ongoing operations and maintenance costs for the Interconnection Facilities throughout the Term; and (iii) other costs, as further defined in the IA.

Interconnection Cost Methodology: The methodology GPC will use to allocate Interconnection Costs to a Bid and as described in Exhibit A (*Interconnection Cost Methodology*).

Interconnection Facilities: The physical facilities installed or modified by GPC on GPC's side of the Change of Ownership location, as will be illustrated in the IA, if applicable, and that, in GPC's reasonable judgment, are necessary for interconnected operations of the Facility with the Electric System and for the Facility's receipt of Station Service. Interconnection Facilities will be owned by GPC, or, if indicated in the IA, an Affected System, and include facilities for the connection, switching, metering, distribution, and safe operation of the Electric System.

Interconnection Facilities Site (ICF Site): The real property acceptable to GPC where designated GPC-owned Interconnection Facilities are or will be located and specifically including the Access Route.

Interconnection Facilities Site Plan (ICF Site Plan): The Site Plan created by GPC after the Site visit that reflects the location of the to-be-constructed Interconnection Facilities and provided to Bidder in its Bid Book on the IE Website.

Interconnection Guidance: The guidance provided by GPC to a Participant, upon Participant's request and payment of the fee, to assist Participant in evaluating its siting options and identifying potential interconnection constraints prior to submitting a Bid.

Interconnection Limit: The Facility's maximum kW output that will be specified in the Awarded Contract and IA Exhibit A (*Interconnection Details*).

Interconnection Study: A study GPC conducts to evaluate the Facility's impact to the Electric System to determine necessary Interconnection Facilities, any Distribution System improvements, and Interconnection Costs and to identify potential Affected Systems.

Interconnection Study Fee: A non-refundable fee in the amount of seven thousand five hundred dollars ($7,500) paid to GPC by Bidder for an Interconnection Study, as further described in Section 7.7.1 (*Interconnection Study Fee*).

kW: Kilowatt (AC).

kWh: Kilowatt-hour (AC).

Letter of Credit: An irrevocable standby letter of credit that is: (i) substantially in the form of PPA Exhibit E (*Form of Standby Letter of Credit*); (ii) issued by a U.S. commercial bank or a U.S. branch of a foreign bank with total assets of at least ten billion dollars ($10,000,000,000) and having a general long-term senior unsecured debt rating of A minus or higher as rated by S&P, or A3 or higher as rated by Moody's, or A minus or higher as rated by Fitch; and (iii) otherwise acceptable to GPC in GPC's sole, but reasonable, discretion.

Levelized Pricing: PPA pricing (i.e., the Monthly Energy Payment, and, if applicable Annual Capacity Price, as defined in the applicable PPA) that remains level throughout the PPA Term.

Mechanical Completion: Seller's satisfaction of the mechanical completion criteria and conditions outlined in the PPA.

Mechanical Completion Certificate: A written certification by Seller that the Facility achieved Mechanical Completion, in the form of PPA Exhibit C (*Mechanical Completion Certificate*).

Moody's: Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or its successor. If Moody's ceases to exist or publish ratings, Moody's will mean a nationally recognized rating agency mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

MW: Megawatt (AC).

Net Benefit: The difference between the Projected Avoided Cost and the Bid Price on a levelized basis.

O&M Costs: Ongoing costs of: (i) owning, operating, maintaining, or replacing the Interconnection Facilities; and (ii) control center monitoring of the Facility's parallel operation with the Electric System.

Off-Site Interconnection Costs: All Interconnection Costs that are not On-Site Interconnection Costs.

On-Site Interconnection Costs: Interconnection Costs to be incurred for Interconnection Facilities located on the ICF Site, between the POI and the Change of Ownership.

Operating Lease: As defined in ASC Topic 842, Leases, as issued and modified from time to time by FASB.

Participant: A Bidder or the Company-Owned Proposal Team, as applicable. "**Participants**" refers collectively to Bidders and the Company-Owned Proposal Team.

Party or **Parties:** Either GPC or Seller, or both.

Performance Security: Security in the form of Eligible Collateral to ensure due performance of Seller's Awarded Contract obligations, as may be required under the Awarded Contract.

Person: Any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, general partnership, limited partnership, proprietorship, other business organization, trust, union, association, or Governmental Authority.

Point of Interconnection (POI): The point where the Facility is interconnected to the Distribution System, which is not necessarily the same as the point where Change of Ownership occurs.

PowerClerk: An online application and project management portal used in administration of the Awarded Contract, which will be made available to Seller after Awarded Contract execution.

PPA: Either the (i) ***DG Solar Power Purchase Agreement***; or (ii) ***DG Solar with Storage Device Power Purchase Agreement***, as applicable, that will be entered into by GPC and a Winning Bidder (or other Person identified as PPA counterparty (i.e., Seller) as permitted by this DG RFP), in the form of the applicable pro forma PPA found on the IE Website and incorporated into this DG RFP by this reference.

PPA Term: The duration of the PPA (15, 20, 25, 30, or 35 Annual Periods) proposed for a Bid, which will be stated in PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*).

Primary Beneficiary: Defined in FASB ASC Topic 810 (*Consolidation*), as issued and modified from time to time by FASB.

Primary Evaluation Team: Members of the Evaluation Team who oversee the development and administration of this DG RFP, evaluate all DG RFP submissions, and have access to all DG RFP data, including pricing.

Profile: The Facility's Renewable hourly generation (kW; 8760 hours per calendar year), excluding the Storage Device, in ET and unadjusted for Daylight Savings Time over the entire PPA Term. The values must be chronological and include the estimated degradation of the Facility's output over each Annual Period.

Projected Avoided Cost: The cost GPC would incur to provide the same service that the Bid would provide, as calculated in accordance with the RCB Framework approved by the Commission's 2025 IRP Final Order in Docket No. 56002. Applying the RCB Framework for Distribution System resources,

depending on Facility location and size, components include: (i) deferred generation capacity costs; (ii) Avoided Energy Costs; (iii) integration costs; and (iv) locational transmission value.

Prudent Industry Practices: Any of the practices, methods, standards, or acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric power industry in the United States that, at a particular time, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known or that should reasonably have been known when a decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result, consistent with good business practices, reliability, economy, safety, and expedition. Prudent Industry Practices are not intended to be limited to the optimum practices, methods, or acts to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the United States electric power industry, with due regard for, among other things, manufacturers' warranties, applicable law, and, as applicable, requirements of the PPA and IA.

PURPA: The Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 796 and 824a-3.

QF: See *Qualifying Facility*.

Qualifying Facility (QF): A qualifying cogeneration facility or qualifying small power production facility within the meaning of PURPA sections 201 and 210 and Part 292 of Title 18 of the United States Code of Federal Regulations.

Rating Agency: The rating entities of S&P, Moody's, or Fitch.

RCB Framework: See *Renewable Cost Benefit Framework*.

RECs: See *Renewable Energy Credits*.

Release List: The list of each Bid or Company-Owned Proposal that GPC determined to be a Deficient Submission or Economically Non-Competitive Submission.

Renewable Cost Benefit Framework (RCB Framework): The comprehensive framework for determining the costs and benefits of renewable resources on the Southern Company Electric System to be used in guiding resource planning and procurement activities related to renewable resources and ensuring economic and reliable renewable resource integration for the Southern Company Electric System that was approved under the 2025 Final IRP Order for GPC's evaluation of the bids received in GPC's resulting utility scale and DG RFPs.

Renewable Energy Credits (RECs): Any credits, including any emissions reduction credits, such as CO2 emission reduction credits, for renewable energy that could qualify or do qualify for application toward compliance with any local, state, federal, or international renewable energy portfolio standard, green pricing program, or other renewable energy or environmental mandate or objective, whether in effect at the PPA Execution Date or any time during the PPA Term.

Renewable Resource: For a Submission without a Storage Device, that portion of the Facility comprised of equipment utilizing solar photovoltaic energy (fixed or tracking). For a Submission with a Storage Device, the portion of the Facility excluding the Storage Device.

Renewable Resource Capacity: The Renewable Resource's installed AC capacity at unity power factor as will be set forth in PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*).

Renewable Resource Charging Energy: Charging Energy delivered to the Storage Device from the Renewable Resource.

Renewable Resource Generating Capacity: The generating capacity of the Renewable Resource on its own, without the Storage Device, which must be no more than 6 MW but greater than 250 kW.

Representative: When used regarding a Person, collectively or individually (as the context indicates), the Person, its Affiliates, and any permitted successor or assign, and the directors, officers, employees, representatives, consultants, attorneys, agents, bankers, financiers, insurers, accountants, contractors, or subcontractors of each of them.

Required BMPs: Those "Best Management Practices" required by a Governmental Authority.

Required Mechanical Completion Date (RMCD): The date by which the Facility must achieve Mechanical Completion under the Awarded Contract.

Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization: The date that is within 60 Days following Mechanical Completion and by which the Facility must be ready for, and Seller must request, Initial Synchronization.

Reserve List: The list of Bids not included on either the RFP Target List or the Release List that have the potential to be moved to the Hold List or the RFP Target List.

RFP Documents: The main body of this document setting forth the rules and requirements of this DG RFP, together with all exhibits, and the pro forma PPA.

RFP Process: As defined in the RFP Rule.

RFP Rule: Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3).

RFP Target: The approximate 50 MW portfolio target sought through this DG RFP.

RFP Target List: The list of Economically Competitive Submissions, sorted by highest Net Benefit, that the Evaluation Team will evaluate further to fill the RFP Target.

RMCD: See *Required Mechanical Completion Date*.

Round-Trip Efficiency (RTE): The amount of energy received from the Storage Device at the low voltage AC-side of the main power transformer(s) (exclusive of Auxiliary Operational Load) divided by the original amount of energy that was used to charge the Storage Device at the low voltage AC-side of the main power transformer(s) (exclusive of Auxiliary Operational Load). RTE calculations will delineate between components for losses both into and out of the Storage Device as requested.

RTE: See *Round-Trip Efficiency*.

S&P: S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc., or its successor. If S&P ceases to exist or publish ratings, S&P will mean a nationally recognized rating agency mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

SCS: Southern Company Services, Inc., an Affiliate of GPC that performs services as agent for GPC.

SDDC: See *Storage Device Design Capacity*.

SDDD: See *Storage Device Discharge Duration*.

SDOE: See *Storage Device Operating Energy*.

Security Account: An account designated by GPC for the benefit of GPC, under the exclusive control of GPC, and free and clear of any lien (including the lien of any lender) of any Person or entity other than GPC. Any GPC Security Account will be established and maintained at the expense of Seller and held by a depositary bank acceptable to GPC under a control agreement in form and substance acceptable to GPC.

Seller: A Winning Bidder who has executed an Awarded Contract with GPC.

Site: The physical location where the Facility will be located as described in the Submission.

Site Control: Control of the Site by Participant in one of the following forms: (i) Participant owns the Site (evidenced by a warranty deed recorded in the county property records); (ii) Participant leases the Site (under a current binding written agreement between Participant and the owner or lessor of the Site); (iii) Participant holds an option to purchase the Site (under a current binding written agreement between Participant and the owner of the Site); (iv) Participant holds an option to lease the Site (under a current binding written option agreement with the owner or lessor of the Site); or (v) Participant holds a current binding easement or license from the owner or lessor of the Site that grants Participant express rights to construct, install, operate, maintain, and repair the Facility at the Site throughout the PPA Term or COP Facility design life.

Site Controller: Defined in Exhibit K (*Storage Technical Requirements*).

Site Control Affidavit: The notarized affidavit in the form found in Exhibit D (*Form of Site Control Affidavit and Landowner Confirmation*) that affirms Participant obtained Site Control for the PPA Term or COP Facility design life, as applicable.

Solar Output: The Energy and all associated Environmental Attributes, Electrical Products, and capacity produced by and associated with the Facility.

Solicitation Schedule: The schedule for this solicitation provided in Section 1.1.1 (*Solicitation Schedule*), as revised in accordance with DG RFP terms and conditions, if applicable.

Southern Company: The Southern Company, a Delaware corporation, the parent of GPC.

Southern Company DER Policy: ***Southern Company Operation of Distributed Energy Resources (DER) in Parallel with the Distribution System Policy***, available at SOCO_Interconnection_Policy_Binder.pdf or any successor policy.

Specialized Technical Support Personnel: Individuals who have specialized knowledge that is used: (i) as a member of the Evaluation Team to develop a discrete aspect of the DG RFP or to support a discrete function of the RFP Process; or (ii) as a member of the Company-Owned Proposal Team to support a discrete aspect of the development of a Company-Owned Proposal.

Staff: Commission Staff members involved in this DG RFP.

Station Service: Energy delivered from the Electric System and used to serve the Facility's electrical requirements, including step-up transformer losses and line losses between the Facility and the POI. For a Storage Device, Station Service includes all energy required to operate and maintain the Storage Device (e.g., Auxiliary Operational Load, power conversion stations, and necessary production of reactive power). Energy used to charge and discharge the Storage Device is not included within Station Service.

Stipulation: The approved provision in GPC's 2025 IRP Final Order that sets forth a supply-side plan and included approval of GPC's 2026 DG RFP.

Storage Device: A battery energy storage system (e.g., an electrochemical battery system, such as lithium-ion or comparable technology) that connects to the same POI as the Renewable Resource and that has the capability to store Energy produced by the Renewable Resource and energy delivered from the Electric System at one time for delivery to the POI at a later time.

Storage Device Design Capacity (SDDC): The amount of storage capacity of the Storage Device, as will be designated in pro forma DG Solar with Storage PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*).

Storage Device Discharge Duration (SDDD): The number of whole hours that the Storage Device must be capable of continuously discharging to the POI at the SDDC, as identified in pro forma DG Solar with Storage PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*).

Storage Device Maximum Rate of Charge Rate: The maximum rate of charge for the Storage Device, as further defined in the pro forma DG Solar with Storage PPA

Storage Device Operating Energy (SDOE): The amount of energy, in kWh, that can be discharged from the Storage Device under normal operation, as identified in pro forma DG Solar with Storage PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*), which is the ***product of***: (i) SDDC; ***multiplied by*** (ii) SDDD, as shown in the following equation:

SDDC * SDDD

Storage Device Requirements: A Storage Device that: (i) is AC-coupled to a Renewable Resource; (ii) has a SDDC of no less than 50% and no more than 100% of the Renewable Resource Generating Capacity; (iii) is capable of being charged by the Renewable Resource and Grid Charging; (iv) is designed to be capable of discharging at its SDDC continuously over a minimum of two hours; (v) will maintain its SDDC and SDDD over the PPA Term; and (vi) interconnects to the Distribution System.

Storage Device Term: As will be specified in DG Solar with Storage PPA Exhibit A (*Project Information*), the number of Annual Periods during which terms and conditions applicable only to the Storage Device will apply, based on the Storage Device's design life, which may be less than the Term. The Storage Device Term must not exceed 20 Annual Periods.

Submission: A Bid or Company-Owned Proposal, as applicable. "Submissions" refers collectively to Bids and Company-Owned Proposals.

Submission Refresh Election Period: Defined in Section 7.6.1.A (*Submission Refresh*).

Submission Refresh Option: Defined in Section 7.6.1.A (*Submission Refresh*).

Submission Refresh Period: The period of time during which a Participant may elect to move forward with and complete the requirements for the Submission Refresh Option, as shown in the Solicitation Schedule (Section 1.1.1 (*Solicitation Schedule*)).

Supplemental Bid Information: Additional information Bidder must submit for each Bid that advances to the RFP Target List or Hold List, as further described in Section 6.3 (*Supplemental Bid Information*) and Exhibit B (*Additional Bid Information*) or as otherwise required by GPC.

SWAC Reference Benchmark: Solar weighted Projected Avoided Costs for a single GPC generic single axis tracking solar profile modeled in one or more GPC planning scenarios (e.g., MG0, HG0, MG20, etc.).

Team List: A list of all individuals on the Evaluation Team, all of whom agreed to comply with the standards of conduct described in Section 1.3 (*Standards of Conduct*).

Variable Interest (VI): Defined in ASC Topic 810 (*Consolidation*), as issued and modified from time to time by FASB.

Variable Interest Entity (VIE): Defined in ASC Topic 810 (*Consolidation*), as issued and modified from time to time by FASB.

VI: See *Variable Interest*.

VIE: See *Variable Interest Entity*.

Winner's Fee: The fee assessed for each winning Submission equal to Participant's pro rata share of IE costs and RFP administration costs remaining after application of collected Bid Fees.

Winning Bidder: Each Bidder with an RFP Target List Bid who executes an Awarded Contract with GPC (or other Person identified as Awarded Contract counterparty (i.e., Seller) as permitted under the DG RFP Process). A Winning Bidder will be identified as "Generator" in the PPA.

Witness Testing: Live testing of the Facility while operating in parallel with the Electric System, in accordance with the Distribution Test Policy.

Working Group: The DG working group convened pursuant to the 2025 IRP Final Order for the purpose of improving the procurement of the RFP Target, consisting of five Staff, five solar association representatives, five GPC representatives, and five members of the general public appointed by the Commission Chairman and approved by the Commission.

Rules of Construction:

In this DG RFP: (i) whenever the term "**include**," "**including**" or "**e.g.**" is used, in connection with a listing of items included within, or as an example of, the prior reference, the listing will be interpreted as illustrative only and not as a limitation on, or as an exclusive listing of, the items included in the prior reference (e.g., "**include**" means "include, but is not limited to"; "**including**" means "including, without limitation"); and (ii) "**or**" means either or both (i.e., "A or B" means "A or B or both A and B").

Unless otherwise specified, reference to: (a) a Party or Person includes any allowed successor or assign; (b) a Governmental Authority includes any authority succeeding to the same function; (c) an agreement or document includes any exhibit, attachment, appendix, or schedule; and (d) an applicable law, agreement, document, policy, procedure, standard, or provision is to the law, agreement, document, policy, procedure, standard, or provision as modified, amended, supplemented, or restated, and then-effective or current.

A defined term may be singular or plural, as the context requires. Captions are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation.

Unless otherwise specified in the communication from GPC: (I) communications from GPC concerning this DG RFP will use the defined terms identified in this Schedule or in the body of this DG RFP; and (II) the rules of construction will also apply to communications from GPC.

2026 Request for Proposals
for Solar Photovoltaic Distributed Generation

GPC issues this DG RFP to advance GPC's goal of developing cost-effective DG solar photovoltaic resources to benefit GPC's customers and further GPC's commitment to diversity in its generation mix. GPC is a national leader in solar procurement.

With the help of the Commission, GPC has advanced the development of renewable resources in the state of Georgia and continues to grow one of the largest voluntary renewable procurement programs in the country. GPC remains dedicated to adding renewable resources to its generation portfolio in a clean, safe, reliable, and cost-effective manner.

On July 15, 2025, the Commission issued the 2025 IRP Final Order concerning the 2025 IRP. The 2025 IRP Final Order requires GPC to issue requests for proposals seeking to procure energy from up to 100 MW of DG solar and solar plus storage resources, which will be made available for customer subscription. GPC seeks to meet the 2025 Final Order DG procurement requirements by issuing two separate requests for proposals. The 2024 DG RFP sought to procure approximately 250 MW of energy from DG solar photovoltaic resources. This DG RFP seeks to procure approximately 230 MW of energy and storage capacity from DG solar photovoltaic resources that may include Storage Devices. The procurement target for this DG RFP includes the unfulfilled procurement target from the 2024 DG RFP (approximately 180 MW). GPC expects to issue the second request for proposals in 2027 after this 2026 DG RFP closes.

To help GPC's customers meet their renewable and sustainability goals, GPC will expand its Clean and Renewable Energy Subscription program to offer CARES DG. Through CARES DG, GPC will offer eligible commercial and industrial customers renewable energy subscriptions from GPC's DG renewable procurements. GPC will also allocate up to 10 MW of the initial target of each RFP for subscription by GPC's residential customers under DG Community Solar. As further explained in this DG RFP, after GPC advances Submissions for the RFP Target List: (i) GPC will offer a Submission Refresh Period; and (ii) if the CARES DG subscription need is unmet, GPC will offer an Extended RFP Period.

PART 1. RFP SOLICITATION SCHEDULE AND FRAMEWORK

1.1. RFP Solicitation Schedule.

1.1.1. Solicitation Schedule. The Solicitation Schedule below outlines the activities to be conducted for this DG RFP. After consultation with Staff and the IE, GPC may revise the Solicitation Schedule, as necessary, and post an updated Solicitation Schedule on the IE Website. The most current Solicitation Schedule will be maintained on the IE Website throughout the solicitation period and supersedes the schedule below.

Solicitation Schedule (2026 DG RFP)	
Activity	**Date**
RFP Service Date	September 9, 2025
Draft RFP Documents Posted on the IE Website	January 21, 2026
Comment Period Begins	January 21, 2026
Bidders Conference (Via Webinar)	January 27, 2026
Comment Period Ends	February 27, 2026 **12:00 PM ET**
Final draft of 2026 DG RFP, including the pro forma PPAs, filed with Commission for Approval and Posted on IE Website	May 7, 2026

Bid Form available on IE Website	Week of May 18, 2026
Anticipated Commission Approval of Final RFP Documents	May 21, 2026
RFP Released via the IE Website	June 15, 2026
Bid Period Opens	June 15, 2026
Company-Owned Proposals and Affiliate Bid Team Submission Deadline – COPs and Affiliate Bids must be electronically submitted by 12:00 PM ET	June 26, 2026 **12:00 PM ET**
Bid Due Date (Bid Period Closes and Bid Fees Due) – Bids must be electronically submitted by 12:00 PM ET	June 29, 2026 **12:00 PM ET**
Submission Evaluation Period Begins	June 30, 2026
Submission Refresh Period Opens (for Submissions not on RFP Target List)	Q4 2026 (Tentative)
Submission Refresh Period Closes (for Submissions not on RFP Target List)	Q4 2026 (Tentative)
Extended RFP Period Opens and Schedule Posted on IE Website (if required)	Q4 2026 (Tentative)
Extended RFP Period Closes (if applicable)	Q4 2026 (Tentative)
Contracting Period Begins	March 2027

1.1.2. Company-Owned Proposal Submission Deadline. Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3) allows GPC to submit Company-Owned Proposals. Any Company-Owned Proposal must be submitted through the IE Website by the date and time shown in the Solicitation Schedule. Any Company-Owned Proposal submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.

1.1.3. Bid Due Date/Time. All Bids must be submitted through the IE Website by the date and time shown in the Solicitation Schedule. Late Bid submissions will not be accepted. To ensure timely Bid submittal and fair treatment of all Bidders, Bidder must initiate submission of each Bid before 10:00 a.m. ET on the Bid Due Date. No Bidder will be allowed to initiate a Bid submission after 10:00 a.m. ET on the Bid Due Date. Each Bidder will receive an email acknowledgment for each Bid submitted.

1.1.4. Supplemental Bid Information. If a Submission advances for further evaluation, GPC will notify Participant via the IE Website and ask Participant to electronically submit Supplemental Bid Information via the Bid Form on the IE Website. Participant must comply with all instructions and deadlines provided by GPC as further described in Section 7.7 (*Further Evaluation of RFP Target List*).

1.2. Independent Evaluator.

1.2.1. Purpose and Role of IE. GPC is utilizing the IE to oversee this DG RFP and to serve as the point of contact for all Participants. As provided in the Commission's Rules, the IE serves to maintain fairness, transparency, and consistency in the RFP Process, which helps to prevent claims of favoritism in the evaluation and selection of winning projects. The Commission's Rules require GPC to retain an IE, who is selected by and reports to the Commission in carrying out its duties and assisting with development of this DG RFP and evaluation of Bids and Company-Owned Proposals.

1.2.2. The IE Website. The IE Website serves as the required forum for all RFP communication among the Evaluation Team, Participants, and all interested Persons. Any Participant or interested Person may only communicate with GPC, the IE, or Staff through the IE Website. If any Participant or interested Person directs questions regarding any RFP information to Staff, Staff will direct the Participant or interested Person to the IE Website to ensure all communications are documented and treated consistently, fairly, and transparently. If any Participant attempts to make contact outside the process described in this DG RFP, the Bidder will be directed to the IE Website for all information and communication and will be reported to the IE for a violation of this DG RFP

requirement. Repeated violation of this requirement may result in the Participant being prohibited from participating in this DG RFP and all Submissions from the Participant being disqualified.

1.3. Standards of Conduct.

1.3.1. Standards of Conduct Regarding Affiliate Bids. GPC Affiliates may submit Bids in response to this DG RFP. Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(d) incorporates measures to segregate the Evaluation Team and any Affiliate Bid Team. The lists identifying the Evaluation Team and, if applicable, Affiliate Bid Team members are found on the Commission's website under Docket No. 56478 and on the "Documents" page of the IE Website. Each Participant is encouraged to review these lists. Except when communication is facilitated by Staff and monitored by the IE, each Bidder is prohibited from discussing this DG RFP and any related documents with the Evaluation Team. GPC implemented specific controls to ensure RFP-related information is confined to the appropriate team. There are certain limited instances where GPC and an Affiliate Bidder may share certain services provided by other Southern Company Affiliates, which are unrelated to this DG RFP. Additionally, before receipt of Bids, GPC, Staff, and the IE will implement procedural steps to ensure that any Bids from Affiliate Bid Teams or from non-Affiliates are evaluated using a common methodology applied in a manner that ensures that any Affiliate Bids do not receive any advantage in the evaluation. In all instances, an Affiliate Bid Team will be treated as a third-party Bidder.

1.3.2. Standards of Conduct for Company-Owned Proposals Submitted by the Company-Owned Proposal Team. GPC may develop and submit one or more Company-Owned Proposals in response to this DG RFP for Facilities that would be owned and operated by GPC. GPC must submit any Company-Owned Proposal directly to the IE by the date shown in the Solicitation Schedule. Company-Owned Proposals may include partnership arrangements or agreements between GPC and third parties or contractors that may collaborate to submit a joint proposal.

A. GPC Contractors. To ensure fairness to all Participants, the Company-Owned Proposal Team will not share with a GPC Contractor, or potential GPC Contractor, any non-public GPC information about the RFP Process. No GPC Contractor or GPC Contractor Affiliate is allowed to submit a Bid in this DG RFP for the same Facility submitted in any Company-Owned Proposal.

B. GPC Internal Communications. While not required under Commission Rules, GPC voluntarily imposes the Affiliate communications restrictions set out in Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3) to restrict communications between the Evaluation Team and the Company-Owned Proposal Team, except as noted regarding Specialized Technical Support Personnel in Section 1.3.2.C (*Company-Owned Proposal Team and Specialized Technical Support Personnel*). No Company-Owned Proposal Team member may share with any Primary Evaluation Team member any Company-Owned Proposal information related to the costs or specific characteristics of any aspect of the Company-Owned Proposal or its proposed Facility, except for communications facilitated by the IE and necessary for evaluation of a Company-Owned Proposal. In addition to requirements of Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(d) establishing standards of conduct regarding any Evaluation Team member and any Affiliate Bid Team member, no Company-Owned Proposal Team member will be a member of any Affiliate Bid Team nor communicate with any Affiliate Bid Team member in violation of Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(d). GPC will not tolerate conduct or communication in connection with the development of any Company-Owned Proposal by the Company-Owned Proposal Team that would unfairly influence the design or evaluation processes for this DG RFP.

C. Company-Owned Proposal Team and Specialized Technical Support Personnel. The Company-Owned Proposal Team will develop any Company-Owned Proposal in a manner that preserves the integrity and fairness of the RFP Process for all Participants. Due to their functional expertise and breadth of job responsibilities, Specialized Technical Support Personnel may be involved both with development of a Company-Owned Proposal and with certain aspects of this DG RFP. The RFP information provided to Specialized Technical Support Personnel is limited to the scope of their job responsibilities. Specialized

Technical Support Personnel serving as members of both the Evaluation Team and the Company-Owned Proposal Team will not be allowed to determine the total economic benefit of Submissions offered for consideration in this DG RFP. GPC voluntarily posted a list of the Company-Owned Proposal Team members on the IE Website, and the Evaluation Team and the Company-Owned Proposal Team lists will separately identify any Specialized Technical Support Personnel who serve on both teams. GPC will not substitute any dual-role Specialized Technical Support Personnel without first consulting Staff and the IE.

D. Role of IE in Company-Owned Proposals. Except as described in Section 1.3.2.C (*Company-Owned Proposal Team and Specialized Technical Support Personnel*) for certain Specialized Technical Support Personnel, the Evaluation Team and Company-Owned Proposal Team are only permitted to communicate when necessary to ensure efficient administration of this DG RFP and evaluation of a Company-Owned Proposal. To the extent any communication must occur between members of these teams, and before any communication, the Evaluation Team, or Company-Owned Proposal Team, as applicable, will inform the IE and Staff about the nature and scope of the communication and request that the IE and Staff facilitate the communication. Any change to be made to this DG RFP or the RFP Process because of any discussion will be reviewed in advance by the IE and Staff and then made known to all Participants in a timely and transparent fashion. This same process will be employed if it becomes necessary for communications with any Bidder other than through the IE Website.

1.4. Development of this DG RFP.

1.4.1. Draft RFP Documents. Consistent with Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3) and the 2025 IRP Order, GPC prepared the initial draft of this DG RFP with the consultation and input of Staff, the Working Group, and the IE. The draft RFP Documents were posted to the IE Website by the date shown in the Solicitation Schedule.

1.4.2. Comment Period. The Solicitation Schedule provides the dates and duration of the Comment Period. Any Bidder or interested Person desiring to submit written comments on any aspect of this DG RFP must do so through the IE Website. If any Bidder or interested Person comments about or offers a substantive change to the RFP Documents, the commenter was prompted to provide a markup of the applicable section showing the commenter's proposed change, along with the rationale for the suggested change, for GPC's consideration. The Evaluation Team, Staff, and IE reviewed all comments received. Following the Comment Period, the Evaluation Team aggregated common themes from the comments received and provided responses to the IE for posting on the IE Website for the benefit of all Bidders and interested Persons.

1.4.3. Bidders' Conference. The Bidders' Conference was held on the date shown in the Solicitation Schedule. The Bidders' Conference allows any Participant or interested Person the opportunity to ask questions concerning this DG RFP Process or the draft RFP Documents to GPC, Staff, and the IE. Any Participant or interested Person must register for the Bidders' Conference on the IE Website. A recording of the Bidders' Conference, the presentation materials, and written responses to all questions submitted during the Bidders' Conference were posted on the IE Website after the Bidders' Conference concludes.

1.4.4. Frequently Asked Questions; Question and Answers. There is a tab on the IE Website for frequently asked questions ("FAQ"). Each Bidder should review the FAQ before submitting a question on the IE Website because the question may be addressed in the FAQ. Throughout the RFP, a Bidder may submit questions via the Question and Answer ("Q&A") tab on the IE Website. When a Bidder submits a question via the Q&A portal, the identity of the Bidder asking the question is known to the IE and Staff.

Both the Q&A and FAQ documents are publicly available and are sources of information available to every Bidder and interested Person. After this DG RFP is approved by the Commission, terms

and conditions included in the final RFP Documents will supersede conflicting information, if any, included in the FAQ or Q&A.

1.4.5. Final RFP Documents Filed for Commission Approval. In accordance with the Solicitation Schedule, GPC will file with the Commission proposed final versions of the RFP Documents for Commission approval. After approval by the Commission: (i) all registered users of the IE Website will be notified by email of the approval; (ii) a copy of the Bid Form and a list of required documents will be posted on the Documents page of the IE Website; and (iii) the final, approved version of the RFP Documents will be posted to the Commission's website under Docket No. 56478 and the IE Website. Once approved, all concepts and material terms of the RFP and pro forma Awarded Contracts are non-negotiable. Each Submission must conform in all material respects to the provisions of the Commission-approved RFP, and each Bidder must agree to the terms and conditions of the applicable Commission-approved pro forma PPA, all of which will be posted on the IE Website and the Commission's website. Bidder will not be permitted to make any substantive or material change to a pro forma PPA, and GPC will only consider non-material clarifications or Facility or Site-specific changes.

1.5. Extended RFP Period. If there is an unmet CARES DG subscription need after completion of the Initial RFP Period, GPC may offer an Extended RFP Period. The Extended RFP Period is discussed in Part 9 (*Extended RFP Period*).

PART 2. RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES SOUGHT IN THIS RFP

2.1. DG Procurement. Consistent with the 2025 IRP Final Order, GPC seeks to fill the RFP Target from solar photovoltaic (fixed-tilt or tracking) DG resources with Facilities sized greater than 250 kW up to 6 MW. A Facility must interconnect to the Distribution System, and all Environmental Attributes produced by or related to the Facility must be bundled with the Energy procured under this DG RFP. The Facility may include a Storage Device. GPC may submit Company-Owned Proposal(s) into this DG RFP.

2.1.1. Qualifying Facility. A Winning Bidder who submitted a PPA Bid (or Seller following execution of the PPA and IA) is responsible for ensuring that the Facility is or will be considered a QF and any sales under a PPA awarded under this DG RFP will be deemed to be in accordance with PURPA. If the Facility is sized greater than 1 MW, the PPA Winning Bidder is responsible for ensuring the Facility is certified and in good standing as a QF by FERC throughout the Term. If, at any time during the Term or IA term, a Facility with a Renewable Resource Capacity greater than 1 MW fails to maintain its QF status with FERC, the failure will be an Event of Default subjecting the PPA and IA to early termination. A Seller may find more information concerning PURPA and the process for becoming a QF, including the submission of Form 556, at the following website: https://www.ferc.gov.

2.2. Environmental Attributes. Each Bid must include in the Bid Price all Environmental Attributes associated with the Energy throughout the Term. All benefits and entitlements, in addition to Electrical Products, that flow to the owner or operator of the Facility must be bundled with the Energy and sold as Solar Output to GPC at no additional cost to GPC. Environmental Attributes must be the sole and exclusive property of GPC, which GPC will use for the benefit of its customers. Section 2.2.1 (*Inclusion in Environmental Attributes*) provides further detail regarding the meaning of "Environmental Attributes" in all RFP Documents.

2.2.1. Inclusion in Environmental Attributes. Environmental Attributes include any environmental attribute that could or does qualify for application toward compliance with any local, state, federal, or international renewable energy portfolio standard, green pricing program, renewable energy program, carbon reduction or greenhouse gas reduction initiative, electricity savings program, licensing requirement, verification or certification procedure, federal contract, or other environmental program, incentive, mandate, or objective, in each case whether voluntary

or mandatory, and whether created by applicable law or by any Governmental Authority, partnership, coalition, advisory committee, or independent certification board, group, or scientific panel. Environmental Attributes include the exclusive right to report those Environmental Attribute to any Governmental Authority or other Person.

2.2.2. Exclusion from Environmental Attributes. Environmental Attributes do not include: (i) any federal, state, or local tax attribute arising from ownership of the Facility, including investment tax credit, production tax credit, or depreciation deduction; (ii) any grant in lieu of investment tax credit or any similar financial payment or grant with respect to the Facility; or (iii) the metered electric Energy produced by the Facility.

PART 3. KEY PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

3.1. PPA Term and RMCD.

3.1.1. PPA Term. GPC will consider Bids with a PPA Term of 15, 20, 25, 30, or 35 Annual Periods, at Bidder's option. Following the Bid Due Date, Bidder will not be allowed to change the PPA Term length. If Bidder proposes a Facility with a Storage Device for a PPA Term (e.g., 35 Annual Periods) that will exceed the Storage Device's design life (maximum of 20 Annual Periods), the DG Solar with Storage Power Purchase Agreement will be structured to limit the applicable Storage Device Term (i.e., no more than 20 Annual Periods), while the remaining PPA terms and conditions stay in place for the PPA Term.

3.1.2. RMCD. Each Bidder must indicate in its Bid the RMCD, which must be on or before 365 Days after Certification. If Seller fails to achieve Mechanical Completion by the RMCD, Seller must pay Delay Damages to GPC under the Awarded Contract. Delay Damages will be calculated in accordance with the applicable Delay Damages table in Exhibit E (*Summary of Fees, Costs, Security, and Deadlines*).

3.1.3. Commercial Operation Authorization and Key Milestones. GPC may decline to enter into a PPA with any Bidder if, in the opinion of GPC, the Facility cannot be constructed in time to achieve Mechanical Completion by no later than 365 Days after the Certification date. Exhibit F (*PPA Project Milestones and Requirements for Obtaining COA*) details important milestones, including RMCD, and the requirements for obtaining COA.

3.2. Facility Size and Output.

3.2.1. Facility Size Parameters. GPC will accept Bids for Facilities with a Renewable Resource Capacity greater than 250 kW but no more than 6 MW. If GPC will only award a PPA to a Bidder if the Facility is resized, and Bidder refuses to resize the Facility or does not respond to GPC's request within five Business Days from the date of GPC's notice to Bidder, the Bid will be placed on the Release List. For Facilities that do not include a Storage Device, Bidders must indicate whether the Site is suitable for the addition of one or more energy storage system(s) in the future (with or without increasing the Facility's Interconnection Limit) and if so, how much space is available. In addition, Bidders are encouraged to indicate whether they would consider entering into future discussions with GPC should GPC wish to explore the option of adding one or more energy storage system(s) to the Site leveraging the Facility's POI.

3.2.2. No Partial Output Bids. GPC will not accept a Bid that constitutes partial output from a Facility or partial ownership of the Facility, as applicable. Under a PPA, GPC will purchase 100% of the Facility's output for the PPA Term. A Bid must represent the full output of the Facility, which is the full capability of the Renewable Resource, combined with any Storage Device.

3.2.3. AGC Requirements. Participants must be familiar with, and all Submissions must comply with AGC Requirements throughout the PPA Term or COP Facility design life, as applicable. The Facility must be designed to communicate with DERMS via AGC.

3.3. Energy Storage.

3.3.1. Storage Device. Any Participant proposing a Facility that includes a Storage Device must provide in the Submission: (i) a description of the Storage Device; (ii) SDDC; (iii) SDDD; (iv) SDOE; (v) the Storage Device Maximum Rate of Charge; (vi) the Cycle Limit; (vii) the plan to maintain the Storage Device to ensure the Storage Device performs as evaluated for the PPA Term; (viii) the Facility's Profile; (ix) the total maximum instantaneous Energy output of the Renewable Resource; (x) the total simultaneous maximum Energy output of the Renewable Resource and energy output of the Storage Device combined; (xi) the corresponding Interconnection Limit; (xii) RTE; and (xiii) the Storage Device degradation forecast (which must support the SDDC committed under the Bid). GPC must have the exclusive right, without penalty, to discharge and charge the Storage Device by dispatching it in accordance with Section 3.2.3 (*AGC Requirements*).

3.3.2. Storage Device Requirements. Any Facility containing a Storage Device must meet the Storage Device Requirements. The maximum output of energy from the Facility must not exceed the Interconnection Limit.

3.3.3. Storage Guidance. Any Participant offering a Facility with a Storage Device must thoroughly review all storage guidance provided on the IE Website.

3.3.4. Degradation; Performance Metrics. GPC is not responsible for any degradation of any Facility over the Storage Device Term, whether because of GPC scheduling, charging, or discharging of energy. As set forth in the pro forma DG Solar with Storage PPA, the Storage Device is subject to monthly and annual performance metrics and must maintain the guaranteed SDDC and guaranteed SDDD for the PPA Term. Bidders should carefully review the applicable pro forma PPA to become familiar with these performance metrics, as deficient performance will reduce the payment owed to Seller under the PPA.

3.3.5. Required Alternative Submission. Any Participant proposing a Facility that includes a Storage Device must also provide an alternative Submission for the same Facility without a Storage Device (i.e., solar only). As described in Section 4.2 (*Bid Fee*), only one Bid Fee will be required for the Storage Device Bid and alternative Bid(s) without a Storage Device. Furthermore, if Bidder's proposed Bid with a Storage Device fails to provide a Net Benefit better than or equal to the Best Cost Threshold, but the alternative Bid for a Facility without a Storage Device provides a Net Benefit better than or equal to the Best Cost Threshold, GPC will allow Bidder to increase their alternative Bid's Renewable Resource Capacity, so long as the Bid Price does not change.

A. Alternative Submission Selection. If GPC advances both: (i) the Submission offering a Storage Device; and (ii) the required alternative Submission without a Storage Device (i.e., only a Renewable Resource) to the RFP Target List, Participant may elect which Submission Participant wants to advance for further evaluation. By no later than 28 Days after Participant receives RFP Target List notice, Participant must notify GPC through the IE Website of which Submission Participant elects to move forward with and submit Supplemental Bid Information for that Submission. By no later than 10 Days after RFP Target List notice, Participant must pay the Interconnection Study Fee for the Facility, in accordance with Section 7.7 (*Further Evaluation of RFP Target List*) and Section 7.7.1 (*Interconnection Study Fee*).

3.4. Location of Facilities.

3.4.1. Facility Location. GPC will accept Bids for a Facility located in Georgia, so long as the Facility can deliver the energy through an interconnection with the Distribution System. If a PPA Facility is located outside of GPC's service territory, a tri-party agreement with the service territory's electric service provider (e.g., an EMC or municipality) will be required.

3.4.2. Rooftop Facilities. GPC will accept Submissions for a Facility located on a building rooftop or similar structure so long as the requirements of this Section 3.4.2. (*Rooftop Facilities*)

are met. GPC will not accept Bids for a Facility located on a building or similar structure that is served by another utility. If the proposed Facility is located on a building or similar structure that receives electric service, then: (i) GPC must be the electric service provider; and (ii) the proposed Facility must interconnect to the Distribution System circuit that serves the building or similar structure on which the Facility will be located.

3.4.3. Hosting Capacity Tool. Participants may desire to use GPC's Hosting Capacity Tool to obtain a general estimate of the hosting capacity available within a certain area of GPC's service territory. Interested Persons will be provided access through the IE Website to the Hosting Capacity Tool after executing a nondisclosure agreement and acknowledging a disclaimer. GPC's Hosting Capacity Tool FAQ provides more information and is available at https://www.georgiapower.com/content/dam/georgia-power/pdfs/company-pdfs/solar-pdfs/hosting-capacity-faqs.pdf.

3.4.4. Interconnection Guidance. Participants are encouraged to participate in the Interconnection Guidance program offered by GPC. Additional information regarding how to request Interconnection Guidance is available at the Interconnection Guidance website (https://www.georgiapower.com/business/products-programs/business-solutions/commercial-solar-solutions/distributed-generation/interconnection.html) as well as under the "Documents" tab on the IE Website. Requesting Interconnection Guidance is not a prerequisite to submitting a Bid in this DG RFP. Participation in, and payment for, Interconnection Guidance has no bearing on whether a Bid will advance to the RFP Target List. A Bidder using the Hosting Capacity Tool and Interconnection Guidance could gain helpful insight and avoid submitting a Bid that would require significant Distribution System upgrades (i.e., Interconnection Costs) or cause the Bid to fail to provide a Net Benefit better than or equal to the Best Cost Threshold.

If a Company-Owned Proposal Team requests Interconnection Guidance, the Company-Owned Proposal Team will notify the IE so that the IE can monitor any communication between the Company-Owned Proposal Team and Evaluation Team, if necessary.

3.4.5. Distribution Cost Matrix. GPC published to the IE Website the Distribution Cost Matrix. Interested Persons will be provided access to the Distribution Cost Matrix after executing a nondisclosure agreement. The Distribution Cost Matrix may not account for all factors that could impact Interconnection Costs for a particular Facility. As a Facility is designed and technical information is supplied to GPC, an Interconnection Study will identify the improvements that are necessary for interconnection of the Facility. Final Interconnection Costs will be determined by the Facility-specific Interconnection Study and may vary from the information provided in the Distribution Cost Matrix.

3.5. Interconnection. Each Facility must interconnect at a POI on the Distribution System. For clarity, any Storage Device paired with a Renewable Resource must share the same POI as the Renewable Resource. Each Participant is responsible for determining all distribution-related rules, practices, and policies with which the Facility must comply. Each Facility must comply with the Southern Company DER Policy. A PPA Seller will be responsible for any specific operating requirements of the Facility and the proper synchronization of the Facility with the Distribution System. Because a winning Facility will interconnect to the Distribution System, a Participant interested in participating in this DG RFP must not separately request interconnection from GPC (or Southern Company). Therefore, Participant will not need to use the Southern Company OASIS site to request interconnection for this DG RFP.

3.5.1. Timely Response Required. Interconnecting a multitude of DG projects to the Distribution System will require the cooperation and diligent efforts of all parties involved. Accordingly, Participant must respond to any inquiry or request from GPC related to interconnection in a timely manner and no later than within the period requested by GPC.

3.5.2. Affected System Modifications. If the Interconnection Study indicates that Participants proposed Facility requires modification of an Affected System's facilities, GPC will coordinate with

each Affected System to conduct any appropriate study and to accomplish the necessary modification, at Seller's expense.

3.5.3. Milestones. Each IA will outline specific milestones to complete construction of the Interconnection Facilities for the project. GPC cannot guarantee the completion of Interconnection Facilities, Initial Synchronization, or Witness Testing by any certain date because each milestone is dependent upon the actions of Seller, its contractor, if any, Affected System, if any, and other resource factors. However, for the avoidance of doubt, Seller will not incur Delay Damages for any delay in GPC's or an Affected System's construction of the Interconnection Facilities, unless attributable to an act or omission of Seller. Seller will incur Delay Damages only if Seller fails to achieve Mechanical Completion before the RMCD or fails to submit the Initial Synchronization Request before the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization.

3.6. Administration and Metering. Each Facility must be separately metered. The IA will require Seller to pay, among other costs for interconnection, an administrative fee of $0.175/kW per month, up to $250 per month. Seller must also pay a monthly interval metering service charge as provided in the IA, which is currently set at $110 per month (per meter and including a telephone). For a Facility with a Storage Device, GPC will require that a minimum of three separate meters are installed at the Site, and Seller must pay a metering service charge of $60 per month for each meter ($180 for the three meters) plus an additional $50 charge for each telephone required at the Facility (the number of telephones will vary depending on Facility requirements).

3.7. Station Service; Retail Electric Service. Seller will purchase Station Service provided by GPC under standard rates. If any additional electric service is required to serve Auxiliary Equipment, Seller must: (i) purchase that service from the local electric service provider (which may or may not be GPC) in accordance with the Georgia Territorial Electric Service Act (O.C.G.A. §§ 46-3-1 – 46-3-15); (ii) use a separate meter for the service; and (iii) if purchasing from GPC, pay any installation costs, in accordance with GPC's standard procedures for establishing retail service, within 30 Days after the PPA Execution Date.

3.8. GPC Account(s). Within 60 Days after the PPA Execution Date, a PPA Seller must establish separate GPC accounts for: (i) the Facility for identification, billing, and PPA payment purposes; and (ii) if applicable, for Auxiliary Equipment.

3.9. Environmental Compliance. Due to the potential impact of solar generation when constructed in or around sensitive environmental or cultural areas, Participant may need to conduct additional review, mitigation, and permitting activity before developing a Site. GPC conducts environmental reviews in conjunction with its interconnection and easement work, and each Participant must perform due diligence concerning protection of the natural habitat and other environmental features at their Site. Accordingly, by offering a Submission in response to this DG RFP, Participant: (i) acknowledges understanding of, and commitment to compliance with, applicable environmental laws, standards, and requirements regarding the Site and the Facility; and (ii) agrees to conduct necessary due diligence, acquire permits, and construct and operate the Facility in compliance with all applicable federal, state, or local laws pertaining to environmental protection, including those requiring mitigation of environmental impacts, throughout the Term. GPC reserves the right to reject a Bid if the siting or construction of a proposed Facility presents significant environmental impacts or risk.

3.9.1. Site Assessment. Each Participant must conduct an Environmental Site Assessment that, at a minimum, considers the environmental factors described in the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document. Each Participant must also submit the affidavit found in Exhibit I (*Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit Form*).

3.9.2. Environmental Assurances. Participants must review and comply with the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document, as applicable. If a Submission advances to the

RFP Target List, it will undergo a comprehensive review to ensure Participant complied with all environmental compliance requirements of this DG RFP. No later than 60 Days after a Submission advances to the RFP Target List, Participant must submit to GPC all Environmental Assurances. Because the required documentation may vary by Site, GPC will communicate with Participant and identify any additional supporting documentation that is required. Bidder must cooperate with GPC's Environmental Affairs Department, at Bidder's cost, regarding the environmental and cultural resource assessments, surveys, and studies performed for the Site and the ICF Site. If GPC determines Participant did not timely cooperate or provide sufficient and acceptable supporting documentation, GPC may, after consultation with Staff and the IE, place the Submission on the Release List.

3.9.3. Compliance Affidavit. Any Bidder whose Bid advances to the RFP Target List may also be required to execute and re-submit the affidavit found in Exhibit I (*Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit Form*) before GPC agrees to execute an Awarded Contract.

PART 4. PRICING, FEES, AND SECURITY

4.1. PPA Bid Pricing.

4.1.1. Levelized or Escalating Pricing. PPA pricing may be Levelized Pricing or Escalating Pricing. Each Bid must specify Bidder's pricing election. For each unique Bid submitted, Bidder will be permitted to provide one Levelized Pricing option and one Escalating Pricing option. Furthermore, if the Bid offers a Storage Device, Bidder's selected option for the Bid's and alternative Bid's pricing must be the same for the Solar Output and Contracted Capacity (i.e., Levelized Pricing for the Bid and alternative Bid or Escalating Pricing for the Bid and alternative Bid), but Bidder may submit a Bid and an alternative Bid for each pricing option (i.e., Levelized Pricing for Bid and alternative Bid and Escalating Pricing for another Bid and alternative Bid). Reference Section 3.3.5 (*Required Alternative Submission*) for additional information regarding the alternative bid requirement for a Storage Device Submission.

A. Additional Requirements for Escalating Pricing. A PPA Bidder may submit a Bid with the Bid Pricing escalated at a fixed percentage between a minimum of 0% and maximum of 2.5% in any Annual Period.

4.1.2. Pricing Requirements. Each Bid must provide GPC with Bidder's best, most competitive Bid Price for Solar Output (¢/kWh) and Contracted Capacity ($/kW-year) (if applicable). The Bid Price must include all costs that GPC will pay for the Solar Output and Contracted Capacity (if applicable) provided under the PPA and must be in dollar figures quoted in nominal terms for the Annual Period in which they occur. If Bidder has a winning Bid, the Bid Pricing for Solar Output and Contracted Capacity, if applicable, will become the PPA's Contract Energy Price and Annual Capacity Price, if applicable. If Bidder submitted both Levelized Pricing and Escalating Pricing for the winning Bid, Bidder's best ranked pricing option will become the PPA's Contract Energy Price. Any attempt by Bidder to increase its Bid Price or to impose any other costs on GPC after the Bid is submitted will be grounds for rejection of the Bid.

Bidders are encouraged to consider Interconnection Costs as a factor to develop their Bid Prices. Interconnection Costs can be estimated using the Distribution Cost Matrix or with Tiers 2 or 3 Interconnection Guidance. If a Bid advances to the RFP Target List, GPC will perform an Interconnection Study to determine the Bid's Interconnection Costs, as described in Section 7.7.4 (*Determination of Interconnection Costs*). Bidders are not permitted to adjust Bid Prices for any reason, including differences between Bidder's estimate of Interconnection Costs and GPC's determination of Interconnection Costs. Interconnection Costs will be stated in a Winning Bidder's IA, and Seller must pay all Interconnection Costs, excluding monthly IA metering and administration fees, no later than 30 Days after IA execution.

4.2. Bid Fee.

4.2.1. Bid Fee. Bidder must submit with each Bid a nonrefundable Bid Fee ($6/kW) to help defray GPC's cost of developing and administering this DG RFP and performing the Bid evaluation. The Bid Fee will not be refunded (unless otherwise determined at the sole discretion of GPC) in the case of any modification or withdrawal of this DG RFP, rejection of any Bid, or failure to execute a PPA.

4.2.1. Payment of Bid Fee. Bidder must electronically submit Bid Fees through the IE Website, either through wire transfer or automated clearing house (ACH). Bidder must submit a separate Bid Fee for each Bid and may not aggregate multiple Bid Fees for multiple projects when paying the required fees. Additional electronic payment instructions are available on the IE Website. Payment is due at the time of Bid submission and must be received no later than **12:00 PM ET** on the Bid Due Date. Failure to submit the required Bid Fee by that deadline is grounds for rejection of the Bid.

4.3. Winner's Fee. Each winning Participant must pay the Winner's Fee to cover the IE cost and a portion of the costs to administer this DG RFP. To determine each Winner's Fee, the remaining IE costs and RFP administration costs will be allocated among the winning Participants on a pro rata basis based on each winning Submission's total projected revenue relative to the aggregate total projected revenue of all winning Submissions, except that the Winner's Fee per Submission will not exceed $200,000. The Winner's Fee will be determined after Commission Certification. A Winning Bidder must pay the Winner's Fee by no later than 10 Days after Winning Bidder's receipt of notice of the final Winner's Fee amount owed by Winning Bidder. A Winning Bidder must pay its Winner's Fee using the instructions included within GPC's notice to Winning Bidder of the final Winner's Fee amount. If a Company-Owned Proposal advances to the RFP Target List and is certified by the Commission as contemplated by Section 8.2 (*Company-Owned Proposal Certification*), GPC will be responsible for its Winner's Fee.

4.4. Performance Security.

4.4.1. PPA Performance Security.

A. Performance Security Requirement. If Seller is not Creditworthy**,** Seller must maintain throughout the PPA Term Performance Security in the form of Eligible Collateral (i.e., cash, Letter of Credit, Guaranty) in the applicable amount required by PPA Exhibit B (*Performance Security*). Each non-Creditworthy Seller must: (i) provide Eligible Collateral in the initial amount required by the Performance Security Table(s) of PPA Exhibit B by no later than five Business Days after the PPA Execution Date; and (ii) maintain its initial Eligible Collateral through the Initial Synchronization Request Date. By no later than the Initial Synchronization Request date, each non-Creditworthy Seller must either: (a) increase its Eligible Collateral value to increased Performance Security amount required by the Performance Security Table(s) of PPA Exhibit B; or (b) replace its initial Eligible Collateral with Eligible Collateral equal to the increased Performance Security amount required by the Performance Security Table(s) of PPA Exhibit B.

B. Loss of Creditworthy Status. If Seller loses its Creditworthy status during the PPA Term, Seller must deliver Performance Security to GPC in the amount required by PPA Exhibit B (*Performance Security*) no later than five Business Days after the date Seller loses its Creditworthy status.

4.4.2. Pre-Approval of Eligible Collateral. By no later than the date Seller returns the partially executed Awarded Contract and IA (if applicable) to GPC, Seller must: (i) notify GPC of the form of Eligible Collateral Seller intends to provide to meet Seller's initial Performance Security obligation; and (ii) if Seller intends to post a Letter of Credit or Guaranty as Eligible Collateral, provide a draft Letter of Credit or Guaranty to GPC for review and approval. By no later than three weeks before the Initial Synchronization Request, a PPA Seller must: (a) notify GPC of Seller's election under Exhibit B (*Performance Security*), Section 1.B (*Increased Performance Security*) of

the applicable PPA to either increase its Eligible Collateral value or replace its Eligible Collateral; and (b) if Seller intends to amend or replace Eligible Collateral in the form of a Letter of Credit or Guaranty, provide a draft Letter of Credit or Guaranty.

Once approved, Seller must deliver Eligible Collateral to:

Georgia Power Company
C/O Southern Company Services, Inc.
Attn: Assistant Treasurer
BIN SC1407
30 Ivan Allen Junior Boulevard, NW
Atlanta, GA 30308

4.4.3. Request for Replacement of Eligible Collateral. PPA Seller may request to replace its Eligible Collateral form (cash, Letter of Credit, Guaranty, as applicable) at any time during the Term; however, in order to compensate GPC for the resources expended in assisting Seller with the replacement process (e.g., review and approval of replacement Eligible Collateral, processing of Eligible Collateral swap, participation in financial closing activities), a PPA Seller must pay a fee of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) per request . If Seller requests to replace its Eligible Collateral form in connection with a PPA Assignment or change of control, and Seller pays the applicable fee under Section 14.2.3 (*Reimbursement of GPC's Costs*) of the applicable PPA, GPC will not charge Seller the additional fee to swap Eligible Collateral.

4.4.4. Impact of Assignment. If a non-Creditworthy Seller seeks to assign the PPA to a Creditworthy Person, then: (i) the Creditworthy Person will not be required to provide Performance Security; and (ii) GPC will return the non-Creditworthy Seller's Performance Security within five Business Days following the effective date of the assignment. All proposed non-Creditworthy assignees (new Seller) must provide Performance Security as required by PPA Exhibit B (*Performance Security*).

4.4.5. Forms of Eligible Collateral. Eligible Collateral posted to meet the Performance Security requirements may be in the form of cash, a Letter of Credit, or a Seller Guaranty, subject to the terms and conditions in the PPA. A form of Standby Letter of Credit and a form of Guaranty are included in the pro forma PPA.

4.4.6. Bid Preparation Costs. All costs related to preparation of any Bid in response to this DG RFP are the sole responsibility of Bidder. GPC will not reimburse or be held responsible for costs associated with any Bid prepared or submitted in response to this DG RFP.

4.4.7. Termination Damages. If GPC terminates an Awarded Contract because of an Event of Default, Seller will be liable for termination damages as provided in the Awarded Contract. The Awarded Contract termination damages will be liquidated damages in the amount shown in the applicable table in Exhibit E (*Summary of Fees, Costs, Security, and Deadlines*)).

4.4.8. Summary of Fees, Costs, and Security. A summary of fees, costs, and security required of Bidders under this DG RFP is provided in Exhibit E (*Summary of Fees, Costs, Security, and Deadlines*). Fees, costs, and security include the Bid Fee, Winner's Fee, Interconnection Study Fee(s), metering fee, Interconnection Costs, Performance Security, and fees for changing collateral, amendments, and assignments. GPC will calculate all dollar per kW ($/kW) fees owed under the RFP based on Facility Size, not the Interconnection Limit. All fees required under this DG RFP are nonrefundable.

PART 5. COMMUNICATION

5.1. Monitored Communications. Before PPA award for winning Bids, all communications regarding this DG RFP must be conducted through the IE Website. Following the close of the Bid Period or the Extended RFP Period, as applicable, and until the Winning Bidder executes the Awarded Contract, any communication between any individual Participant and the Evaluation Team regarding a specific

Submission is confidential, except to the extent that Staff or the IE monitor communications. Communications may include face-to-face meetings with a Participant to discuss the Submissions(s). The Evaluation Team may conduct conference calls with a Participant to clarify or resolve Submission questions. The IE will monitor any meeting or communication that includes the Evaluation Team and any Participant.

5.2. Communication Before Submission Period. Each Participant and interested Person registered on the IE Website may submit questions concerning this DG RFP, the RFP Documents, the Submission, or Submission evaluation on the "Q&A" page of the IE Website. The questions and GPC's responses will be posted on the IE Website for viewing by all potential Participants and registered users of the IE Website.

5.3. Communication Following Submission Initiation.

5.3.1. Bid Books; Message Board. Participants may initiate their Submission beginning on the date stated in the Solicitation Schedule. Once Participant initiates the Submission process, each Participant will have a confidential Bid Book on the IE Website, where Participant posts all RFP deliverables and all messages from IE to Participant are available to Participant. Participant may ask Site-specific and Facility-specific questions using the confidential message board. Questions submitted on the message board are not available to other Participants and are only viewed by the Evaluation Team, the IE, and Staff. The Evaluation Team will reply to each question posted on the message board after review and consultation with the IE and Staff. All questions determined by the IE to be generic in nature, and not unique to a specific Site or Facility, may be transferred to the "Q&A" page of the IE Website so that all Participants and registered users have the benefit of the question and response.

5.3.2. Listing Determination. The status of a Submission (whether on the RFP Target List, Hold List, Reserve List, or Release List) is confidential Submission Information. GPC will not publicly announce the RFP Target List, Reserve List (including the Hold List), or Release List. The identity of the winning Submission(s) and Winning Bidder(s) will become public information when GPC requests Certification of the related PPA(s) or Company-Owned Proposal, if any, by the Commission.

5.4. Following Execution of the Awarded Contract. A Winning Bidder is prohibited from announcing its status as a Winning Bidder or execution of an Awarded Contract via a press release or any other method of public communication, without GPC's prior, express written consent. The Winning Bidder may send to G2GPCERG@southernco.com press release and public statement requests for GPC's review and approval. A Winning Bidder is responsible for ensuring that its winning Bid status remains confidential and is not announced by any Affiliate, Representative, or contractual party. A Winning Bidder must educate its Affiliates, Representatives, contractual parties, and any other participants in the development of the Facility (e.g., development authorities, county, state, or federal Governmental Authorities) on the potential impact of public statements regarding renewable facilities (e.g., REC claims) and how the public statements may jeopardize the validity of Environmental Attributes that are sold to GPC under the PPA, which could result in a breach of the Awarded Contract by Seller. Upon execution of the Awarded Contract(s), the Winning Bidder(s) and GPC will work together to determine the timing and content of the official announcement of the winning status of the project and Awarded Contract execution. Upon entering the Awarded Contract, Seller must comply with the provisions of the Awarded Contract concerning any public statements about the Facility, including the RECs, and must ensure its Representatives also comply with these same Awarded Contract provisions.

5.5. Point of Contact. Each Submission must include detailed contact information for the Person who will serve as the primary point of contact for the Submission and the Participant. This person will serve as the contact between GPC and the Participant when questions and answers are exchanged through the IE Website and will receive authority to access Participant's Bid Book on the IE Website. This contact person must be familiar with all aspects of the Submission process and Submission in order

to efficiently communicate with GPC to reduce any delay in communication. Participant must notify the IE and the Primary Evaluation Team via the IE Website if there is a change in its point of contact.

5.6. Confidentiality and Photographs for Site Compliance

5.6.1. Submission Information. Each Participant must not disclose Submission Information to others, including the ongoing status of its Submissions(s) or the information exchanged and discussed between the Participant and Primary Evaluation Team (which exchanges and discussions must occur under the guidelines of this DG RFP and the Commission Rules), except that Participant may disclose Submission Information to: (i) Staff; or (ii) Participant's Representatives as reasonably necessary for Participant to submit a Submission in this DG RFP, so long as a condition precedent to the permitted disclosure to Bidder's Representative(s): (a) Bidder must direct its Representative(s) not to disclose the Bid Information; and (b) the Representative(s) must be subject to a contractual obligation to maintain confidentiality of Bid Information. If the Representative cannot be made subject to a contractual obligation to maintain confidentiality of the Bid Information, Bidder must obtain GPC's written consent before making the disclosure.

Furthermore, Bidder and its Representatives are prohibited from making any public statement or other claim regarding the Energy or Environmental Attributes to be generated by the Facility, including any statement in any marketing or advertising material, press release, or public statement that the Energy or Environmental Attributes are generated from any sustainable, perpetual, renewable, or other particular type of fuel. Each Bidder will be responsible for any statement, claim, commitment, or disclosure made by itself or its Representative that has the effect of retiring or claiming the Environmental Attributes from the Facility or otherwise limiting or jeopardizing the Facility's Environmental Attributes that would be conveyed to GPC under the PPA.

5.6.2. Bidder's Submitted Information. GPC will take reasonable precautions and use reasonable efforts to protect any proprietary or confidential information contained in a Bid, so long as Bidder clearly states that the information is confidential on each page on which the claimed confidential information appears. Bidder confidential information may, however, be made available under applicable state or federal law to Governmental Authorities having appropriate jurisdiction over this DG RFP. GPC reserves the right to release information to: (i) the IE and Staff as needed to monitor this DG RFP; (ii) regulated retail Affiliates; (iii) SCS; or (iv) affected entities who have a need to know in order to assist in the evaluation of Bids, so long as the entities agree to observe the same care with respect to non-disclosure as GPC. **Under no circumstance will GPC (including its Affiliates, and the officers, directors, employees, representatives, or agents of any of them) or the IE or Staff be liable for any damages resulting from any disclosure before, during, or after the RFP Process.**

5.6.3. Photographs of Facility or Site. At GPC's request, Seller must provide GPC with photographs of the Facility or Site that may be used by GPC for verification of Seller's compliance with this DG RFP's requirements or for informational purposes. Seller grants to GPC and its Representatives, agents, Affiliates, successors, and assigns an irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-free, and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, modify, sublicense, distribute, display, or otherwise engage the photographs and related intellectual property, including the creation of derivative works. Seller represents and warrants that it has the exclusive right to grant the license to GPC for the purposes stated in this DG RFP and related documents.

PART 6. SUBMISSION PROCESS

6.1. Submission Process. Each Submission must be submitted via the Bid Form on the IE Website by no later than the deadline stated in the Solicitation Schedule. Following a Participant's timely tender of a complete Submission, GPC will review the Submission and advance Submissions for the RFP Target List or Hold List. After the Evaluation Team's initial evaluation of all Submissions, a subset of

Participants identified on the RFP Target List or Hold List will be asked to submit applicable Supplemental Bid Information for further consideration via the Bid Form. For each submission made through the Bid Form, Participant will receive an email acknowledgment of receipt from the IE Website.

6.2. Submission. Participant must transmit its Submission by completing the Bid Form found on the IE Website and providing the requested information (e.g., location, size, ownership, generation, Bid Price, and general interconnection characteristics). Exhibit B (*Additional Bid Information*) provides a summary of data needed to complete the Submission. In addition to providing all information required by the Bid Form, Bidders will be required to pay the non-refundable Bid Fee for each Bid. Participants must submit the following documents, as applicable, with its Submission by the Submission deadline in order for the Submission to be considered complete:

6.2.1. Facility Diagram. Participant must upload to the IE Website the Facility One-Line Diagram (samples are found in Exhibit C *(Sample Facility One-Line Diagrams*)).

6.2.2. Facility Intertie Transformer Ownership. Bidder must identify whether GPC or Bidder will purchase, install, and own the Facility intertie transformer. Bidder's election is binding on Bidder once made. If GPC owns the transformer, it may not be located inside the Facility's fence. If Bidder opts to own the transformer, it must be wye-grounded/wye-grounded, with no delta tertiary winding, for three-phase interconnection service.

6.2.3. Site Control Affidavit. Each Bid must include a notarized Site Control Affidavit that affirms Bidder obtained control of the Site for the proposed Term. The Form Site Control Affidavit is attached as Exhibit D (*Form of Site Control Affidavit and Landowner Confirmation*). If a Bid advances to the RFP Target List, before PPA execution, Bidder may be required to submit further evidence of Site control, as deemed necessary by GPC. The representation in the Site Control Affidavit that Bidder's business entity is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the state of the jurisdiction in which it is organized must be true when the Bid is submitted and at the time of PPA execution.

6.2.4. Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit. Each Participant must submit a notarized Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit, found in Exhibit I (*Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit Form*), that affirms Participant understands all environmental factors related to the Site, and if applicable, the ICF Site. At a minimum, Participant must agree to: (i) fully consider all environmental requirements of this DG RFP; (ii) avoid, minimize, or, if necessary, permit and mitigate, any Site, ICF Site, or Facility environmental impact; and (iii) comply with all environmental requirements of this DG RFP, as outlined in the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document. If a Participant advances to the RFP Target List, Bidder must submit to GPC its Environmental Assurances by no later than 60 Days after a Bid advances to the RFP Target List.

6.3. Supplemental Bid Information. If a Submission advances to the RFP Target List or Hold List, GPC will notify Participant via the IE Website and ask Participant to electronically submit Supplemental Bid Information via the Bid Form on the IE Website. Participant must comply with all instructions and deadlines provided by GPC as further described in Section 7.7 (*Further Evaluation of RFP Target List*). In addition to the information required by the Bid Form, Bidder must submit each of the following documents by the stated deadline in order for the Bid to be considered complete:

6.3.1. Organizational Chart. Each Bid must include an organizational chart that identifies (by name and state of organization) all related Affiliates or special purpose entities. If Bidder intends to form a new special purpose entity or subsidiary to become the PPA counterparty, GPC requests that Bidder disclose this intent as part of the Bid, and in any case, it must be disclosed by no later than five Business Days after Bidder receives the Interconnection Costs statement. Any Bidder using or planning to use a special purpose entity or subsidiary as the PPA counterparty (i.e., Seller under the PPA), must

include a proposed organizational chart clearly showing the relationship to the special purpose entity or subsidiary, as applicable.

6.3.2. Registration in Georgia. The Seller under the Awarded Contract must register and be in active and compliant standing with the Office of the Georgia Secretary of State, authorizing Seller to do business in Georgia before the time of Awarded Contract execution.

6.3.3. Facility Name. Due to the need to manage a multitude of renewable projects, and GPC's experience with counterparties selecting very similar or confusing names for similar projects, GPC reserves the right to reject a Facility name offered by a Winning Bidder and to propose an alternative. To allow Bidder sufficient time to perform due diligence on the Facility name and any proposed special purpose entity name it intends to use as the Awarded Contract counterparty, GPC will request Bidder confirmation of the Facility and counterparty names when a Bid advances to the RFP Target List.

6.3.4. Variable Interest Entity. Depending on Bidder's business structure, accounting and tax rules may require that the PPA be treated as a Variable Interest and that Seller be consolidated as a Variable Interest Entity onto GPC's books. Because GPC is unwilling to be subject to accounting or tax treatment that results from VIE treatment, any PPA that GPC executes will require that: (i) Seller covenant that GPC will not be deemed the Primary Beneficiary as contemplated by ASC Topic 810, Consolidation, as issued and modified by FASB at any point during the PPA Term; and (ii) if the PPA causes GPC to be deemed the Primary Beneficiary at any point during the PPA Term, unless cured, GPC will be entitled to terminate the PPA. If Seller cannot clearly demonstrate that the consolidation event was not due to the direct or indirect action of Seller, Seller will be liable for damages per the relevant provisions of the PPA. GPC encourages each Bidder to seek independent accounting advice before entering into the PPA to ensure its individual organizational structure will not require GPC to consolidate Seller as a VIE for which GPC is the Primary Beneficiary. GPC reserves the right to reevaluate or disqualify a Bid if GPC determines that the execution of a PPA will most likely result in Seller being consolidated as a VIE.

A. Additional Requirement for Bids with Storage Devices. Each Bidder that offers a Storage Device must certify, using the form included as Exhibit L (*VIE Certification*), that during the proposed PPA Term GPC will not be required to consolidate on its books and records any assets, liabilities, cash flow, profits, or losses of Seller as a result of GPC being determined to be a Primary Beneficiary. GPC reserves the right to perform an independent assessment of the Bid under ASC 810. At the time of Bid submission, at PPA execution, any time the PPA is amended by the Parties, and any time Seller under a PPA undergoes a Change of Control Transaction, the chief financial officer of Seller or an officer having responsibility for financial accounting matters for the Seller must provide the certification.

6.4. Effect of Submission. Participant's Submission will constitute Participant's acknowledgment and acceptance of all the terms, conditions, and requirements of this DG RFP, including the terms and conditions of the pro forma PPA. Any Submission that does not satisfy the requirements of this DG RFP may be considered a Deficient Submission. GPC, in consultation with the IE and Staff, may choose to reject a Deficient Submission from further consideration. GPC is not required to contact any Participant to obtain any omitted information.

6.5. Multiple Submissions. A Participant may submit multiple Submissions in response to this DG RFP, but each Submission will be treated and evaluated separately. A Bidder submitting multiple Bids

cannot aggregate the payments owed for each Bid, as discussed in more detail in Section 4.2 (*Bid Fee*).

6.6. Contingent Submissions. Due to the time-sensitive nature of this DG RFP, GPC will not accept any Submission that is contingent on the advancement of another Submission or the satisfaction of a specified condition.

6.7. Unique Bids. Each Submission must be unique regarding the Term (if applicable), Facility location, Facility Size, POI, and any characteristic that would alter the amount (kW or kWh) or timing of the delivery of Solar Output (e.g., tracking capability or panel orientation). Despite the preceding sentence: (i) a Bid for a Facility with a Storage Device and an alternative Bid for a Facility without a Storage Device will be subject to a single Bid Fee; and (ii) a Bid/alternative Bid that includes both a Levelized Pricing option and an Escalating Pricing option will be subject to a single Bid Fee.

6.8. Submission Validity. Unless withdrawn, each Submission must remain valid until the earlier of: (i) the date the RFP concludes (i.e., GPC files its end of process letter); or (ii) the date GPC files Awarded Contract for Certification by the Commission.

6.9. No Bid Changes after Bid Period Concludes. Once the Bid Period or Extended RFP Period, as applicable, closes, Bidder will not be allowed to make any change to the Bid that would impact GPC's evaluation of the Bid, except as described in Section 3.3.5 (*Required Alternative Submission*), Section 6.9.1 (*Bid Deficiencies*), Section 6.9.2 (*Bid or Company-Owned Proposal Errors*), Section 7.6.1.A (*Submission Refresh*), and Section 7.7.1. (*Interconnection Study Fee*).

6.9.1. Bid Deficiencies. Bidder may amend a Bid only up until the submission deadline on the Bid Due Date. After the submission deadline, the IE will review key elements of each Bid and any Company-Owned Proposal to screen for errors and omissions and, if necessary, confirm those elements with the Participant. In consultation with Staff and the Evaluation Team, the IE will provide Participant an opportunity to cure deficiencies. After that occurs, a Bid or Company-Owned Proposal that is not cured will be identified as a Deficient Submission and rejected. After the Bid Due Date, no Participant may change its pricing or revise its Bid or Company-Owned Proposal on its own initiative. The Evaluation Team may request that a Bid or Company-Owned Proposal be revised to obtain the best value for GPC's customers. Any requested revision of a Bid or Company-Owned Proposal will be reviewed by Staff and the IE before being addressed with the respective Participant.

6.9.2. Bid or Company-Owned Proposal Errors. Modification of Bids or Company-Owned Proposals will not be permitted after the cure period unless correction of the error or omission is in the best interest of GPC's customers and will not harm the RFP Process, as determined by GPC in consultation with the IE and Staff. All Submission modification requests must be made through the IE Website.

6.10. Other Data. Each Participant with a Submission on the RFP Target List for further evaluation must agree to make available all financial and business data associated with Participant, the Facility, or the Awarded Contract that GPC would need to independently make necessary accounting determinations. The information may include data supporting the economic life, the fair value, tax credits associated with the Facility, or other costs associated with the Facility, including debt specific

to the Facility. Financial data contained in Bidder's financial statements (e.g., income statements, balance sheets) also may be required.

6.11. Bid Certification. If Bidder is a business entity, an authorized officer of Bidder's company must electronically sign the submitted Bid(s) through the Bid Form.

6.12. Duty to Notify GPC of Issues Impacting Bid. After Participant tenders its Submission or Supplemental Bid Information, Participant must promptly notify GPC in writing of any issue, event, or other development that impacts, or would reasonably be expected to impact, the development, construction, or completion of the Facility associated with the Submission.

6.13. Additional Information. Participant also may supply any additional information not specifically requested in the Bid Form that may be needed for thorough understanding and evaluation of the Submission.

6.14. Bid Assignments. Any Bid Assignment must comply in all respects with the provisions of Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*) and be submitted by no later than five Business Days after Bidder receives the Bid's Interconnection Costs statement. Any purported Bid Assignment that does not comply in all respects with the provisions of Exhibit G will be void.

6.15. Submission Withdrawal. Participant may withdraw its Submission by submitting a withdrawal notice via the "Messages" feature on the IE Website. If Participant withdraws its Submission after the applicable Submission deadline, Participant will not be permitted to reopen the Submission at a later date. For the avoidance of doubt, Bidder will not be entitled to a refund of any fees if Bidder withdraws its Bid.

PART 7. SUBMISSION EVALUATION AND AWARDED CONTRACTS

7.1. Submission Evaluation Generally. GPC will evaluate all Submissions tendered in response to this DG RFP generally in accordance with the evaluation criteria and structure described below. GPC will further evaluate Bids in accordance with the methodology outlined in Exhibit J (*Overview of Submission Evaluation*). GPC reserves the right to contact any Participant through the IE Website to request additional information on any aspect of the Submission. The Evaluation Team will continue to evaluate Submissions until: (i) the RFP Target is filled; (ii) all Bids are evaluated; or (iii) the date the RFP closes, whichever comes first.

7.2. Initial Review of Submissions. GPC reserves the right to reject any Submission for failure to meet any RFP requirement. Without qualification and in its sole discretion, GPC may decline to enter into a PPA with any Person. If GPC discovers that any Bidder violated this DG RFP or otherwise violated the spirit and intent of this DG RFP, GPC has the right to reject any related Submissions, which also may further affect the participation in any future programs offered by GPC. **Any Bidder who submits a Bid in response to this DG RFP waives any recourse against GPC, its parent, or any of its Affiliates, or the IE, for either rejection of its Bid(s) or for failure to execute a PPA for any reason.** GPC will not refund any Bid Fee or Interconnection Study Fee paid by Bidder for any reason, including GPC's rejection of the Bid or failure by Bidder to execute the PPA.

7.2.1. Rejection for Failure to Respond or Comply with Deadlines. GPC reserves the right to reject any Deficient Submission at any time if Participant fails to submit required information,

make a required payment, or otherwise provide to GPC any required deliverable by the deadline set forth in this DG RFP (and any date in the Solicitation Schedule as revised, if applicable). A question asked by Participant regarding a deadline does not extend the deadline.

7.2.2. Rejection of Submission for System Upgrades Beyond the Distribution System. In consultation with Staff and the IE, GPC reserves the right to reject any Submission if the Facility would necessitate upgrades or modifications beyond the POI on the Distribution System or would require upgrades to any substation, transmission line, or equipment on an adjacent distribution system of another utility not subject to a joint-use agreement with GPC. GPC may also reject a Submission if: (i) the Facility will be interconnected to a Distribution System that originates from a non- GPC-owned substation; and (ii) (a) the cumulative existing and proposed new generation (including the Renewable Resource Capacity) on the Distribution System equals or exceeds 2 MW; or (b) the Facility burdens area load profiles or other overall reliability or performance factors.

7.2.3. Rejection of Submission for Environmental Concerns. GPC reserves the right to reject any Submission if the siting or construction of the proposed Facility presents an environmental or archeological impact or risk that: (i) cannot be mitigated or overcome within the timeframe of this DG RFP; or (ii) potentially undermines GPC's environmental stewardship efforts. The archeological risks and impacts may include, for example, the presence or discovery of any archaeological, historical, religious, or cultural site, place, artifact, or monument.

7.2.4. Rejection for Participant Actions Taken to Undermine the Program. Action taken by a Participant to undermine this DG RFP's intent will not be tolerated. Examples of conduct that would result in rejection of a Submission are listed below. This list is illustrative and not exhaustive, and GPC reserves the right to bring to the Commission's attention any activity that thwarts the goals and spirit of the program, and to take any other action as may be necessary, including rejection of all Submission submitted by the Participant.

A. Missing deadlines to manipulate individual project timelines to create a portfolio benefit for all of a Bidder's Bids or otherwise delay the RFP Process or construction of a Facility;

B. Modifying the terms of the pro forma PPA (including exhibits), Interconnection Agreement (including exhibits), or any other required document submitted as part of this DG RFP before execution of the document; or

C. Making public statements regarding Bidder's Facility or participation in this DG RFP that could claim the Environmental Attributes, including RECs.

7.2.5. Rejection of a Bidder's Request that Conflicts with GPC Policy. If Bidder requests that GPC take any action that conflicts with GPC's business policies and procedures, GPC will not honor Bidder's request and will inform the Bidder of the conflict.

7.3. Initial Bid Evaluation Criteria. Bids that are complete and conform to the requirements of this DG RFP will be ranked and screened based on economic value using Best Cost Analysis. The Evaluation Team will review each Bid's Bid Price and the Profile and then compare this information to Projected Avoided Cost, modeled using MG0, to determine the Bid's Net Benefit to GPC's customers. To evaluate Bids with different Term lengths, GPC will use its Projected Avoided Costs to enable it to compare Bids on an equivalent basis, which is consistent with how GPC evaluated bids in prior RFPs. Because Projected Avoided Costs are calculated on an hourly basis, the total evaluated Net Benefit will vary depending on the Facility's Profile reflected in the Bid. GPC will adjust the Bid's Profile to account for transmission and distribution losses. The Evaluation Team will then rank Bids and Company-Owned Proposal(s) by highest Net Benefit. Following initial Net Benefit ranking, GPC will review with Staff and the IE the SWAC Reference Benchmark(s) relative to the initial Net Benefit ranking to determine the Best Cost Threshold, which will determine the Bids and Company-Owned Proposals that move forward. Once the Best Cost Threshold is determined in coordination with Staff and the IE, ranking of RFP submissions will be finalized. If two or more Economically Competitive Submissions have the same Net Benefit, the Evaluation Team will apply the non-price and qualitative

considerations discussed in Section 7.4 *(Non-Price and Qualitative Considerations*) to distinguish between the submissions and determine rank order.

7.4. Non-Price and Qualitative Considerations. Although GPC's evaluation will focus on a Bid's Net Benefit, other qualitative and non-price factors will be considered in the detailed evaluation process, if needed to distinguish two otherwise equally valued Bids. It is Bidder's responsibility to submit additional information related to its Bid if the information will materially improve the quality of its offer and GPC's understanding thereof. The non-price factors that GPC may use to rank and select the winning Bids are Bidder's: (i) project development experience; (ii) prior contracting experience (including Bidder's contract counterparty history); (iii) use of union labor; and (iv) intentional inclusion.

7.4.1. Project Development Experience. To address Bidder's project development experience, Bidder must summarize Bidder's development experience for the past five years where Bidder or, if Bidder is a special purpose entity created for purposes of bidding into this 2026 DG RFP, Bidder's parent (either immediate parent or other applicable upstream entity), was the primary renewable project developer and the proposed facility was similar in size and located in the United States. The Bid Form will include prompts requiring Bidder to summarize: (i) the total number of renewable projects and the capability (MW) of each facility the Bidder currently owns and operates in the United States; (ii) a description of the experience of the principal members of Bidder's project team; and (iii) information on who will be responsible for design, siting, permitting, financing, construction, and on-going operation and maintenance of the Facility, if known.

7.4.2. Contract Counterparty History. To address Bidder's contract counterparty history, Bidder must disclose all power purchase agreements to which Bidder or any Affiliate was a party in the past five years that were terminated before the end of the contract term, and the reason for the early termination.

7.4.3. Union Labor. GPC is interested in receiving feedback on a Bidder's use of unionized labor. To be considered for this non-price factor, Bidder must describe its efforts to use unionized labor, and if Bidder has used unionized labor for prior projects during: (i) the construction phase; or (ii) operations of any other facility. If so, Bidder should describe any relevant requirements imposed by any project labor agreements.

7.4.4. Intentional Inclusion. GPC is committed to supporting intentional inclusion within GPC's own decision-making, hiring and promotion, and daily operations, and GPC encourages its counterparties, service providers, consultants, and supply chain vendors to promote similar efforts. To be considered for this non-price factor, Bidders must complete the Intentional Inclusion Certificate found in Exhibit H (*Intentional Inclusion Certificate*).

7.5. Company-Owned Proposal Evaluation. The IE, Staff, and GPC will agree on a methodology to compare Company-Owned Proposals to PPA Bids. Company-Owned Proposal evaluation methodology will include calculating a revenue requirement using GPC's proprietary revenue requirement model that will be finalized before Submissions are received. The Staff and IE approved evaluation methodology will: (i) enable the IE to provide Company-Owned Proposal information to the Primary Evaluation Team in a manner that will not identify the Submission as a Company-Owned Proposal; and (ii) allow the Primary Evaluation Team to evaluate Company-Owned Proposal pricing and Bid pricing on an equivalent basis using the criteria described in Section 7.3 (*Initial Bid Evaluation Criteria*). Staff will oversee the conversions of COPs. Following the IE's and Staff's approval, the IE will release Bids and Company-Owned Proposals to the Primary Evaluation Team. The Primary Evaluation Team will then proceed with the evaluation and ranking of Bids and Company-Owned Proposals in the manner described in Section 7.3 and the development of Bid Lists described in Section 7.6 (*Bid Lists*).

7.6. Bid Lists. After all Submissions are reviewed and ranked in order of highest Net Benefit and the Best Cost Threshold is determined, the Primary Evaluation Team will separate all the Submissions into one

of four Bid lists: (i) RFP Target List; (ii) Hold List; (iii) Reserve List; or (iv) Release List. The Primary Evaluation Team will first determine the projected number of Economically Competitive Submissions it will need to fill the RFP Target and will create the RFP Target List.

7.6.1. RFP Target List. Based on results of the initial evaluation, the highest ranked Economically Competitive Submissions will be chosen for the RFP Target List. GPC will contact each RFP Target List Participant to inform those Participants that their Submissions will be further reviewed and Supplemental Bid Information is required.

A. Submission Refresh. After GPC advances Submissions for the RFP Target List, GPC will offer Participants with Submissions that did not advance to the RFP Target List the option to refresh the price of their Submission to align with the Average Total Net Benefit ("**Submission Refresh Option**"). GPC will notify Participants of the Submission Refresh Option through the IE Website. The "**Submission Refresh Period**" will last for 28 Days from the date specified in the Solicitation Schedule. By no later than 14 Days after the date of GPC's notice, Participant must notify GPC of Participant's election to move forward with the Submission Refresh Option ("**Submission Refresh Election Period**"). By no later than 14 Days after the Submission Refresh Election Period, Participant must: (i) submit Supplemental Bid Information (unless already submitted after being placed on the Hold List as described in Section 7.6.4 (*Hold List*)); and (ii) pay the Interconnection Study Fee, if applicable.

7.6.2. Release List. Any Submission placed on the Release List will no longer be considered in this DG RFP. A Submission will be placed on the Release List and removed from further consideration if the Submission is withdrawn at any point or, if during the evaluation process, GPC or the IE determine that: (i) any of the rejection criteria of Section 7.2 (*Initial Review of Submissions*) is triggered; (ii) the Submission is an Economically Non-Competitive Submission; (iii) any required easement, permit, or other property right document cannot be reasonably or timely obtained; or (iv) GPC fills the RFP Target. Upon Seller's request, and only after this DG RFP concludes, GPC will provide general feedback to any Bidder with a Bid on the Release List regarding why the Bid was unsuccessful in this RFP.

7.6.3. Reserve List. Submissions not included on the RFP Target List (for further evaluation) or the Release List (no longer considered in this RFP) will be placed on the Reserve List. A Submission on the Reserve List will continue to be under evaluation and may move to the RFP Target List if an RFP Target List Participant withdraws or if a Winning Bidder does not proceed to PPA execution.

7.6.4. Hold List. Of those Submissions placed on the Reserve List, GPC will create a Hold List of queued Submissions that will be the first Reserve List Bids moved to the RFP Target List, if needed.

A. Each Participant with a Submission placed on the Hold List will be asked to submit Supplemental Information but will not be required to pay the Interconnection Study Fee until further notice.

B. If a Submission on the RFP Target List is released, the next Submission from the Hold List may be elevated to the RFP Target List. If a Submission is moved from the Hold List to the RFP Target List, a Submission on the Reserve List may be moved up to the Hold List. If a Submission on the Hold List moves to the RFP Target List, GPC will provide notice and the parties will proceed in accordance with the following Section 7.7 (*Further Evaluation of RFP Target List*).



GPC may periodically announce through the IE Website the status of the evaluation process. As discussed in Section 7.6 (*Bid Lists*), each Participant will be notified of the status of each Submission at the time the Submission advances to either the RFP Target List, Hold List, Reserve List, or Release List. GPC expects to contract with Bidders on the RFP Target List with Bids that offer a Net Benefit. In accordance with the RFP Solicitation Schedule, any Participant who has not been selected to fill the RFP Target will be notified of the release of its Submission from this DG RFP by no later than the date the RFP closes.

7.7. Further Evaluation of RFP Target List. Regarding each Submission that advances to the RFP Target List, GPC, through the IE Website, will notify each Participant and will request that Participant, within 10 Days after notification: (i) submit Supplemental Bid Information (unless already submitted after being placed on the Hold List as described in Section 7.6.4 (*Hold List*)); and (ii) pay the Interconnection Study Fee, if applicable.

7.7.1. Interconnection Study Fee. For each Bid that advances to the RFP Target List, Bidder must pay a non-refundable Interconnection Study Fee to GPC through the IE in the amount of six thousand three hundred dollars ($6,300) within 10 Days after RFP Target List notification. GPC will not proceed with any Interconnection Study or further Bid evaluation until GPC receives the Interconnection Study Fee. Failure to pay the Interconnection Study Fee within 10 Days will result in the Bid being moved to the Release List.

A. If Bidder paid for Interconnection Guidance for a Facility that is materially equivalent to Bidder's Bid (i.e., the Facility is the same size, location, and interconnecting to same proposed POI that was studied, etc.), then Bidder will receive a credit, for one unique Bid only, towards the Interconnection Study Fee in the amount of the fee paid for the Interconnection Guidance, so long as Bidder indicates this information in its Bid. For Bidder to be eligible to receive the credit, Bidder must submit the materially equivalent Bid by no later than 12 months after the date of the Interconnection Guidance request.

B. If, after the initial Interconnection Study, Bidder requests a POI change that necessitates an additional Interconnection Study, Bidder must pay a fee of up to six thousand three hundred dollars ($6,300) before GPC will begin the additional study. Any change to a proposed POI may trigger a restudy if the change renders one or more circuit characteristics,

assumptions, or system conditions used in the original Interconnection Study invalid. GPC will, based on engineering review and Electric System impact, and in accordance with Prudent Industry Practices, determine if a design change is material and will require a restudy. Examples of POI changes that may be considered material and require a restudy include: (i) connecting to a different Distribution System circuit or feeder than originally studied; (ii) connecting to a different branch or location on the originally studied Distribution System circuit; (iii) changes that affect upstream protective devices or coordination schemes; and (iv) any change that introduces different system constraints or operating conditions than those evaluated in the original Interconnection Study.

7.7.2. Interconnection Study. The Evaluation Team will perform an Interconnection Study to determine the interconnection impact of each proposed Facility on the RFP Target List. As a result of the Interconnection Study, GPC may request that Bidder resize its Facility or limit the Facility's power factor for safety, reliability, or operational reasons. If Bidder is asked to resize the Facility or limit the Facility's power factor, Bidder will not be permitted to modify its Bid Price. Any change to the Facility Size or limit on Facility operation as a result of the Interconnection Study will not be imposed without Bidder's consent. For this DG RFP, a Bidder does not need to submit a separate request for interconnection service from GPC for the Facility included in the Bid.

7.7.3. Interconnection Facilities Site; Property Rights. In coordination with Bidder, GPC will schedule a Site visit during which GPC and Bidder will determine the ICF Site for the Facility. After the Site visit, GPC will create an ICF Site Plan and provide it to Bidder. Bidder must acknowledge acceptance of the ICF Site Plan within five Business Days following Bidder's receipt of the ICF Site Plan via the Bidder's Book. After Bidder acknowledges the ICF Site Plan, GPC will notify Bidder of the easements, permits, or other property right documents for the ICF Site that will be required should the Bid be awarded a PPA.

Bidder, in coordination with GPC, must obtain any required easements, permits, or other property rights documents for the ICF Site, from Bidder's Site/Facility to the Change of Ownership, but GPC will use its standard processes to obtain any required easements. Bidder is responsible for granting GPC any required property rights to real property owned or controlled by Bidder, as further described in the IA. If Bidder is unable to obtain necessary documentation or the parties are unable to obtain the necessary property rights, whether or not originally identified, GPC will notify Bidder and may place the Bid on the Release List or terminate the Awarded Contract, whichever may be applicable.

Following execution of the Awarded Contract, GPC will use PowerClerk to serve as a platform to memorialize Site activities, like Site visits, as well as tracking the construction and project milestones for the Facility.

7.7.4. Determination of Interconnection Costs. Following the Interconnection Study, the Evaluation Team will develop a statement of the Bid's Interconnection Costs, which may include costs of Affected System modification if the Interconnection Study indicated Affected System modifications are necessary to interconnect Bidder's Facility.

7.7.5. Commitment to Pay Interconnection Costs. After GPC determines Interconnection Costs for a Bid on the RFP Target List, GPC will provide to Bidder a statement of Interconnection Costs for review and acceptance. If, no later than five Business Days after Bidder's receipt of GPC's Interconnection Costs statement, Bidder confirms it will pay Interconnection Costs, the Bid will advance from the RFP Target List. If Bidder does not agree to pay Interconnection Costs within five Business Days after receipt of GPC's Interconnection Costs statement, the Bid will move to the Release List.

7.7.6. Environmental Screening. All Submissions on the RFP Target List will undergo a comprehensive environmental review to ensure compliance with the requirements of this DG RFP that, at a minimum, will consider the requirements found in the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document.

7.8. Staff and IE Oversight/Evaluation. In accordance with Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(e)(3), Staff and the IE actively and contemporaneously monitor all aspects of GPC's evaluation process for transparency purposes. Staff and the IE will review all Submissions and conduct an independent evaluation of the resource options submitted to GPC in the RFP Process under Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3)(e)(3). Staff and the IE are permitted access to all of the documents and information used by GPC in its evaluation. GPC, Staff, and the IE will meet to discuss and finalize the composition of the RFP Target List identified for further evaluation, as well as those Bids identified for PPA awards.

7.9. Awarded Contract and IA Execution. GPC will award Awarded Contracts and IAs, as applicable, to Winning Bidders whose Bids advance from the RFP Target List. A Winning Bidder will enter into the Awarded Contract with GPC. GPC will not accept any material change to the pro forma PPA or the IA at the time of execution. A Bidder on the RFP Target List wishing to update counterparty information in the PPA and IA must do so by no later than three Business Days after GPC notifies Bidder of PPA award. For the avoidance of doubt, the Seller in the PPA and the IA must be the same Person.

7.9.1. Seller Execution of Agreements. GPC will send the Awarded Contract and the IA, if applicable, to each Winning Bidder for execution. No later than 15 Business Days after the date GPC provides the PPA and IA to Bidder, Seller must: (i) execute and return the PPA (and all completed exhibits) to GPC; and (ii) if applicable, execute and return the IA (including all completed exhibits) to GPC. If the executed PPA and IA are not returned to GPC within 15 Business Days after GPC provides the PPA and IA to Seller, GPC reserves the right to reject the Bid and move the Bid to the Release List.

7.9.2. GPC Execution of Agreements. After Seller executes the PPA and IA, GPC will review and confirm that the PPA and IA are complete and satisfactory. Upon GPC's confirmation, GPC will countersign the PPA and the IA. The effective date of each agreement will be the date on which GPC executes the agreement.

7.9.3. Payment of Interconnection Costs. Seller must pay Interconnection Costs no later than 30 Days after full execution of the PPA and IA. If Seller does not pay Interconnection Costs within the 30 Days, GPC may pursue remedies permitted under the PPA and IA.

7.9.4. GPC Discretion in Contracting. GPC reserves the right, without qualification and in consultation with the IE and Staff, to reject any, all, or portions of Bids received for failure to meet any criteria, and further reserves the right, without qualification and at its sole discretion, and in consultation with the IE and Staff, to decline to enter into a contract with any Bidder. **Any Bidder who submits a Bid in response to this 2026 RFP waives the right to claim any recourse against GPC or any of its Affiliates or IE for either rejection of Bidder's Bid(s) or for failure to execute a PPA for any reason.**

PART 8. CERTIFICATION

8.1. Awarded Contract Certification. After the Awarded Contract is fully executed by Seller and GPC, and GPC receives Seller's Eligible Collateral in the initial Performance Security amount required by the Awarded Contract, GPC will request Commission Certification of each executed Awarded Contract in batches with other executed Awarded Contracts. If the Commission fails to certify an Awarded Contract or certifies an Awarded Contract with modifications or conditions that adversely affect GPC, GPC will have the right to terminate the Awarded Contract upon written notice to Seller, so long as GPC delivers the notice to Seller by no later than 15 Business Days after the effective date of the applicable Commission order. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Commission issues an order approving the Awarded Contract with modifications or conditions, the Awarded Contract will not be amended to include the modifications or conditions without Seller's first agreeing to execute a written

amendment to incorporate the modification or condition. If the Awarded Contract is terminated in accordance with this provision, GPC will also terminate the IA.

8.2. Company-Owned Proposal Certification. In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-5, and under Commission Rule 515-3-4-.07(2), if a Company-Owned Proposal advances, it will be submitted for Certification together with other winning Submissions, and the IE will testify regarding its evaluation of the Company-Owned Proposal. The Commission's certificate approving any Company-Owned Proposal will set forth the not-to-exceed cost, which, similar to the certified cost of any PPA under which GPC acquires a Facility, may not otherwise change, except as allowed by applicable law under O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-7, and only with the Commission's express approval.

PART 9. EXTENDED RFP PERIOD

9.1. CIR Procurement.

9.1.1. Extended RFP Period. If, after the Initial RFP Period, there is an unmet CARES DG subscription need, GPC will open a second phase of this DG RFP to accept Submissions for Customer-Identified Resources ("**Extended RFP Period**"). Except to the extent expressly modified by this Part 9 (*Extended RFP Period*), all DG RFP requirements and fees apply to the Extended RFP Period and any CIR Submission.

9.1.2. Eligible Customer-Identified Resources. An eligible CIR is a Renewable Resource (with or without a Storage Device) that meets all requirements of this DG RFP and this Part 9 (*Extended RFP Period*). A CIR may be: (i) proposed by a Customer in partnership with a Participant; or (ii) selected by a Customer from a pool of Renewable Resources offered by Participants during the Extended RFP Period, as further described in Section 9.2.2 (*New CIR Submissions*). To advance to the CIR Target List, a CIR Submission must offer a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit as determined after GPC's comprehensive evaluation in accordance with Part 7 (*Submission Evaluation and Awarded Contracts*). GPC may also consider any Customer contribution under Section 9.4.2.A (*Customer Contribution*) that will allow the CIR Submission to offer a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit.

9.1.3. CIR Website. The IE, in coordination with GPC, will host and maintain a website listing available CIR Submissions ("**CIR Website**"). As further described in Section 9.3.3 (*Customer-Selected CIR*), Customers may select one or more CIRs from the CIR Website. After Customer selects a CIR from the CIR Website, GPC will evaluate the CIR Submission as further described in Section 9.4 (*CIR Evaluation*). A CIR Submission listing on the CIR Website does not guarantee that the CIR Submission will advance to the CIR Target List after evaluation.

9.2. Participant Requirements.

9.2.1. Existing Submissions. Participants with Submissions that did not advance to the RFP Target List during the Initial RFP Period may elect to participate in the Extended RFP Period and to offer its Submission as a CIR Submission. Eligible Participants will receive a message through the IE Website inviting Participant to participate in the Extended RFP Period. To participate, Participant must respond to the message indicating its election by no later than the date stated in the message. Participant must also indicate if Participant will: (i) honor its initial Submission price as the CIR Submission price; (ii) offer its CIR Submission at a lower price that will yield a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit; or (iii) raise its CIR Submission price. If Participant does not elect to lower its Submission price to offer a price that will yield a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit, the CIR Website will indicate that the applicable CIR Submission does not offer a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit and, thus, a Customer contribution will be required for the CIR Submission to advance to the CIR Short List. Participant's election to participate in the Extended RFP Period will represent Participant's express consent for GPC to share with Customers all information

concerning Participant's CIR Submission, including CIR Submission pricing, subject to Customer's execution of a non-disclosure agreement.

A. Bid Fees. A Participant who offered a Submission in the Initial RFP Period and elects to offer that Submission in the Extended RFP Period will not be required to pay an additional Bid Fee to participate in the Extended RFP Period.

9.2.2. New CIR Submissions. Participants may submit a new CIR Submission, individually or in partnership with a Customer, that was not submitted as part of the Initial RFP Period. A Participant offering a new CIR Submission must: (i) submit its CIR Submission via the CIR Website; (ii) pay all fees, including Bid Fees, required by this DG RFP; and (iii) provide all information otherwise required by this DG RFP for initial Submissions. Participant must submit all required information by deadlines stated in the Extended RFP Period schedule, which will be posted on the CIR Website.

9.3. Customer Requirements.

9.3.1. Notice of Intent. To participate in the Extended RFP Period, Customer must submit a "**Notice of Intent**" through the CIR Website.

9.3.2. Customer CIR Submissions. Customers may partner with a Participant to jointly develop and submit a CIR Submission. For any joint CIR Submission, either Customer or Participant must: (i) submit the CIR Submission using the Bid Form on the CIR Website; (ii) pay all fees, including Bid Fees, required by this DG RFP; and (iii) provide all information otherwise required for Submissions under this DG RFP. Only one Bid Form submission and Bid Fee is required for a joint CIR Submission.

9.3.3. Customer-Selected CIR. Customers may select one or more CIRs from the pool of CIR Submissions available on the CIR Website. Instructions for selecting available CIR Submissions will be posted on the CIR Website. Before obtaining access to confidential CIR Submission information available on the CIR Website, Customer must execute a non-disclosure agreement agreeing to keep the information confidential.

9.4. CIR Evaluation.

9.4.1. Evaluation. GPC will advance a CIR Submission for further evaluation if there is sufficient Customer interest to subscribe to the full output of the CIR Submission. GPC will comprehensively evaluate each CIR Submission selected by a Customer in accordance with the methodology outlined in Exhibit J (*Overview of Submission Evaluation*). **Total Net Benefit Requirement.** To advance to Certification, a CIR Submission must yield a total net benefit equal to or greater than the Average Total Net Benefit, which may be achieved through Customer contribution as described below. **Customer Contribution.** If GPC's comprehensive evaluation determines that the CIR Submission does not yield a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit, GPC will notify Customer and provide the pricing impact that caused the CIR Submission to fail to yield a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit. Customer may elect to: (i) make arrangements with the applicable Participant to reduce CIR Submission pricing to an amount that will yield a total net benefit equal to or better than the Average Total Net Benefit; or (ii) agree to: (a) increased CARES DG Customer Agreement subscription pricing to cover the costs above the Average Total Net Benefit threshold; and (b) post any collateral required to secure Customer's obligation to compensate GPC for its damages associated with early termination of the CARES DG Customer Agreement.

9.4.3. CIR Target List. GPC will advance to the CIR Target List winning CIR Submissions until the earlier of: (i) CARES DG subscription needs are satisfied; or (ii) the RFP service date of GPC's next DG requests for proposals.

9.5. Agreement Execution; Certification.

9.5.1. Awarded Contracts. GPC will award and execute PPAs with Winning Bidders who advance to the CIR Target List. Consistent with DG RFP requirements, a Winning Bidder must enter into an applicable and conforming pro forma PPA and pay the CIR Winner's Fee.

9.5.2. CARES DG Customer Agreement. A Customer who selected or jointly offered a winning CIR Submission committed under an executed PPA must execute a CARES DG Customer Agreement with subscription pricing and, if applicable, provide security that supports certification of the PPA covering its CIR Submission.

9.5.3. Certification. After PPA execution and Customer's execution of the CARES DG Customer Agreement, GPC will request certification of the PPA in accordance with Part 8 (*Certification*). GPC will request certification of any winning CIR COP in accordance with Part 8.

EXHIBIT A – INTERCONNECTION COST METHODOLOGY

An assessment of a Bid's impact to the Distribution System is an integral part of the calculation of the Net Benefit a Bid offers to GPC's customers. This assessment determines whether modifications to the Distribution System are required to interconnect the Facility and deliver the proposed energy to GPC's customers throughout the Term.

This Exhibit A (*Interconnection Cost Methodology*) outlines how the costs of Distribution System upgrades and other Interconnection Costs will be allocated under the 2026 DG RFP. The examples listed in Part 1 (*On-Site Interconnection Costs*) are not intended to be exhaustive and may exclude Site-specific costs like easements, permits, and Witness Testing fees that are required in addition to the non-binding costs provided. **All costs stated in this Exhibit A are estimates used only to illustrate, for Bidder's general understanding, the methodology used by GPC to allocate Interconnection Costs.**

The Bid Price establishes the PPA's Contract Energy Price for Solar Output paid to Seller. Bidders are encouraged to consider Interconnection Costs as a factor in Bidders' development of their Bid Prices.

PART 1. ON-SITE INTERCONNECTION COSTS

1. A winning Bidder is responsible for paying the capital (upfront installation costs) and O&M Costs for On-Site Interconnection Costs. The following are example calculations for On-Site Interconnection Costs:

Bidder-Owned Transformer Examples (Solar Only)

1.1.1. **On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 1 – Overhead (Roadway Crossing Not Required).** Estimate for On-Site Interconnection Costs **not requiring** roadway crossing is $121,900[1] capital (no TVM[2] or O&M Costs) consisting of the following components:

A. Installation of 150 Feet of Pole Line: $4,500
B. Overhead Primary Meter: $27,000
C. Overhead Three Phase Electronic Recloser: $79,000
D. DERMS RTU: $11,400

1.1.2. **On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 2 – Overhead (Roadway Crossing Required).** Estimate for On-Site Interconnection Costs **requiring** roadway crossing is $126,400 capital (no TVM or O&M Costs) consisting of the following components:

A. Installation of 300 Feet of Pole Line: $9,000
B. Overhead Primary Meter: $27,000
C. Overhead Three Phase Electronic Recloser: $79,000
D. DERMS RTU: $11,400

1.1.3 **On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 3 – Underground.** Estimate for On-Site Interconnection Costs **with all underground distribution facilities** is $378,300 capital (no TVM or O&M Costs) consisting of the following components:

A.	Underground Switching Cubicle:	$180,000
B.	Three phase pad-mounted electronic recloser:	$132,000
C.	Three phase underground primary metering:	$47,000
D.	Trench 150 Feet of Three Phase Underground Primary:	$7,900

[1] All amounts in this Exhibit A (*Interconnection Cost Methodology*) are examples and should not be considered estimates. The examples provided in this Exhibit A are not inclusive of all costs associated with Interconnection Facilities. Actual costs will be determined by the Interconnection Study.

[2] GPC's cost of money associated with the present value of the stream of payments and deductions, calculated using current income tax rates and costs of capital.

E. DERMS RTU: $11,400

Note: See Distribution Cost Matrix "Underground" section.

Bidder-Owned Transformer Examples (Facility with Storage Device)

1.1.4 **On-Site Interconnection Cost Example – Overhead (Roadway Crossing Not Required).** Estimate for On-Site Interconnection Costs **not requiring** roadway crossing is $183,400[3] capital (no TVM[4] or O&M Costs) consisting of the following components:

A. Installation of 350 Feet of Pole Line: $10,500

B. Three Overhead Primary Meters: $82,500

C. Overhead Three Phase Electronic Recloser: $79,000

D. DERMS RTU: $11,400

Overhead Three Phase Electronic Recloser: $79,000GPC-Provided Transformer Example

1.1.5 **On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 4 – Pad-Mounted Transformers (According to Facility Size).** The transformer costs are in addition to the capital On-Site Interconnection Costs in Sections 1.1.1 *(On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 1 – Overhead (Roadway Crossing Not Required)),* 1.1.2 (*On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 2 – Overhead (Roadway Crossing Required*), and 1.1.3 (*On-Site Interconnection Cost Example 3 – Underground*):

A. For a 1.5 MW Site, add $142,000 capital.

B. For a 3 MW Site, add $284,000 capital.

C. For a 6 MW Site, add $568,000 capital.

PART 2. OFF-SITE INTERCONNECTION COSTS

2.1. A winning Bidder is responsible for paying the capital (upfront installation costs) and O&M Costs for Off-Site Interconnection Costs. Examples of Off-Site Interconnection Costs include DTT fiber, recloser upgrades, and three phase reconductors.

[3] All amounts in this Exhibit A (*Interconnection Cost Methodology*) are examples and should not be considered estimates. The examples provided in this Exhibit A are not inclusive of all costs associated with Interconnection Facilities. Actual costs will be determined by the Interconnection Study.

[4] GPC's cost of money associated with the present value of the stream of payments and deductions, calculated using current income tax rates and costs of capital.

EXHIBIT B – ADDITIONAL BID INFORMATION

This is a summary of the type of data needed to complete certain fields of the Bid Form on the IE Website.

For each Bid, Bidder must acknowledge or supply the following information, as applicable and appropriate:

PART 1. BIDDER INFORMATION

1. Previous experience providing the proposed product
2. Bid Price (Levelized Pricing or Escalating Pricing)
3. PPA Term (15, 20, 25, 30, or 35 Annual Periods)
4. Facility information, including:
   a. Proposed name
   b. Location
   c. Annual Energy Production (Profile)
   d. Tracking capability
   e. Preliminary Site plan (including proposed POI)
   f. Transformer ownership selection
5. Site Control Affidavit and Landowner Confirmation (see Exhibit D (*Form of Site Control Affidavit and Landowner Confirmation*))
6. Performance data:
   a. Maximum output capability (kW (AC) and kW (DC))
   b. Annual degradation after the first Annual Period (solar PV modules only)
7. For a Bid for a Facility with a Storage Device:
   a. Storage Device Design Capacity (SDDC) (continuous discharge) (kW)
   b. Storage Device Discharge Duration (SDDD) (Hours)
   c. Storage Device Operating Energy (SDOE) per cycle (kWh) (product of SDDC and SDDD)
   d. Storage Device maximum rate of charge (kW/min)
   e. Cycle Limit of Storage Device (per Annual Period)
   f. Round-Trip Efficiency (%)
   g. Annual degradation of the Storage Device (SDDC) first Annual Period representative of the designed life.
   h. Storage Device and inverter estimated auxiliary power consumption
   i. Balance of plant (BOP) loss assumptions based on scope of supply
8. For a Bid for a Facility without a Storage Device, indicate:
   a. Whether Bidder is willing to enter future discussions with GPC regarding battery energy storage system opportunities at the Site.
   b. Whether the Site is suitable for future Storage Device co-location opportunities.
   c. Whether additional land, site control, or permitting would be required for a future option to add a battery energy storage system that satisfies the Storage Device Requirements.
   d. Any limitations with the Site or the existing Interconnection Agreement regarding co-locating future battery energy storage system facilities.
9. Appropriate technical information associated with a Storage Device, if any, including battery chemistry, assumed operating profile, capacity and energy storage specifications, RTE, limitations of use, cold weather conditioning plans, control schemes, device configuration, and whether the inverters are one-directional (AC-DC only) or bi-directional (AC-DC and DC-AC), and the total output of the Facility including any simultaneous discharge of the Storage Device, as more fully described in RFP Section 3.3 (*Energy Storage*).

PART 2. NON-PRICE AND QUALITATIVE CONSIDERATIONS

1. Bidder's project development experience
2. Bidder's prior contracting experience (including Bidder's contract counterparty history)
3. Bidder's use of union labor
4. Bidder's intentional inclusion initiatives

PART 3. SUPPLEMENTAL BID INFORMATION

For a Bid that advances to the RFP Target List or Hold List, Bidder will be asked to supply the following information:

1. For a new Facility, the milestone schedule listing all major procurement and construction activities, from the time the PPA is executed through the achievement of COA of the Facility.
2. Counterparty information:
   a. Legal Name of Seller and ultimate parent entity, if applicable
   b. Form of legal entity
   c. State of formation
3. Current Facility Site plan (including panel, inverter and Storage Device (if applicable) specification sheets)
4. Facility parcel and service address information
5. Preliminary Facility one-line diagram based on Exhibit C (*Sample Facility One-Line Diagrams*)
6. Auxiliary Equipment Panel Schedules (if applicable)

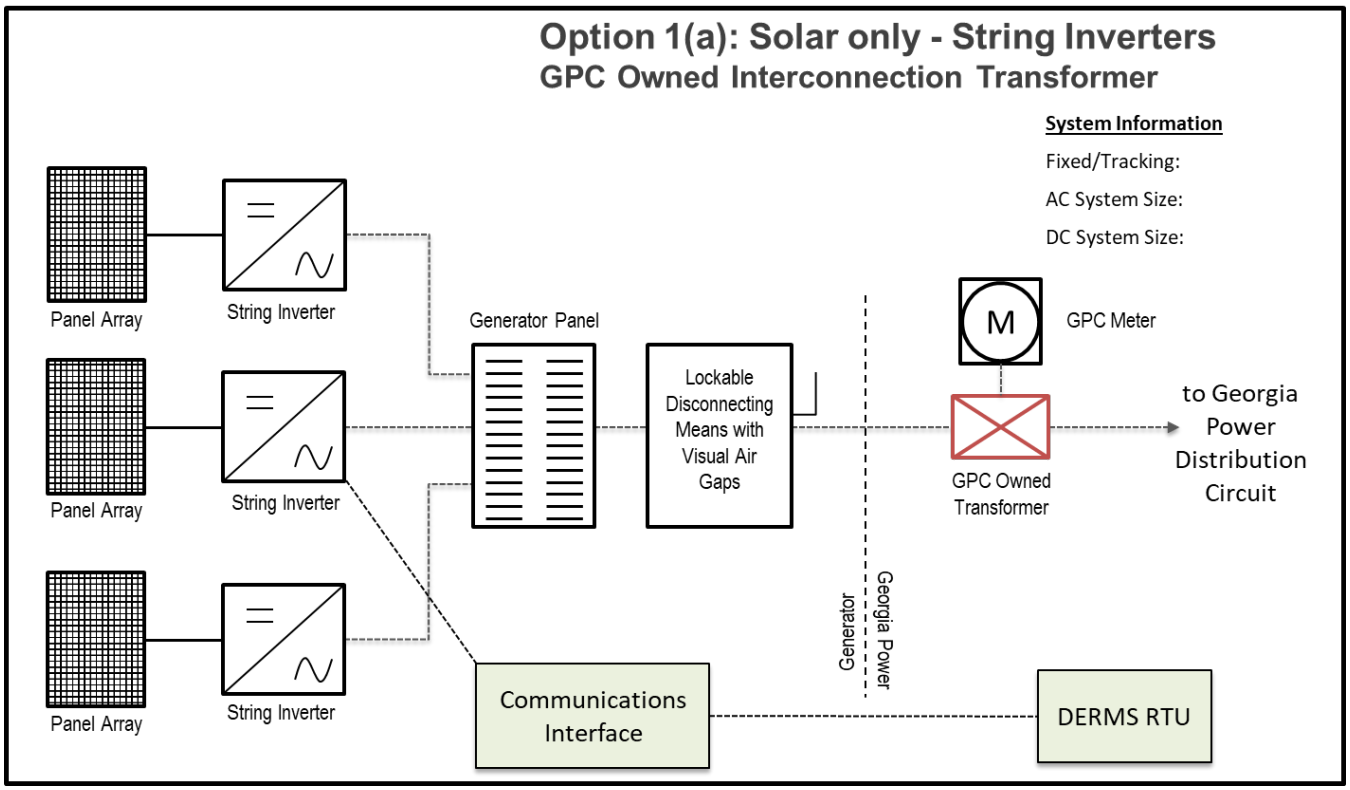
EXHIBIT C – SAMPLE FACILITY ONE-LINE DIAGRAMS

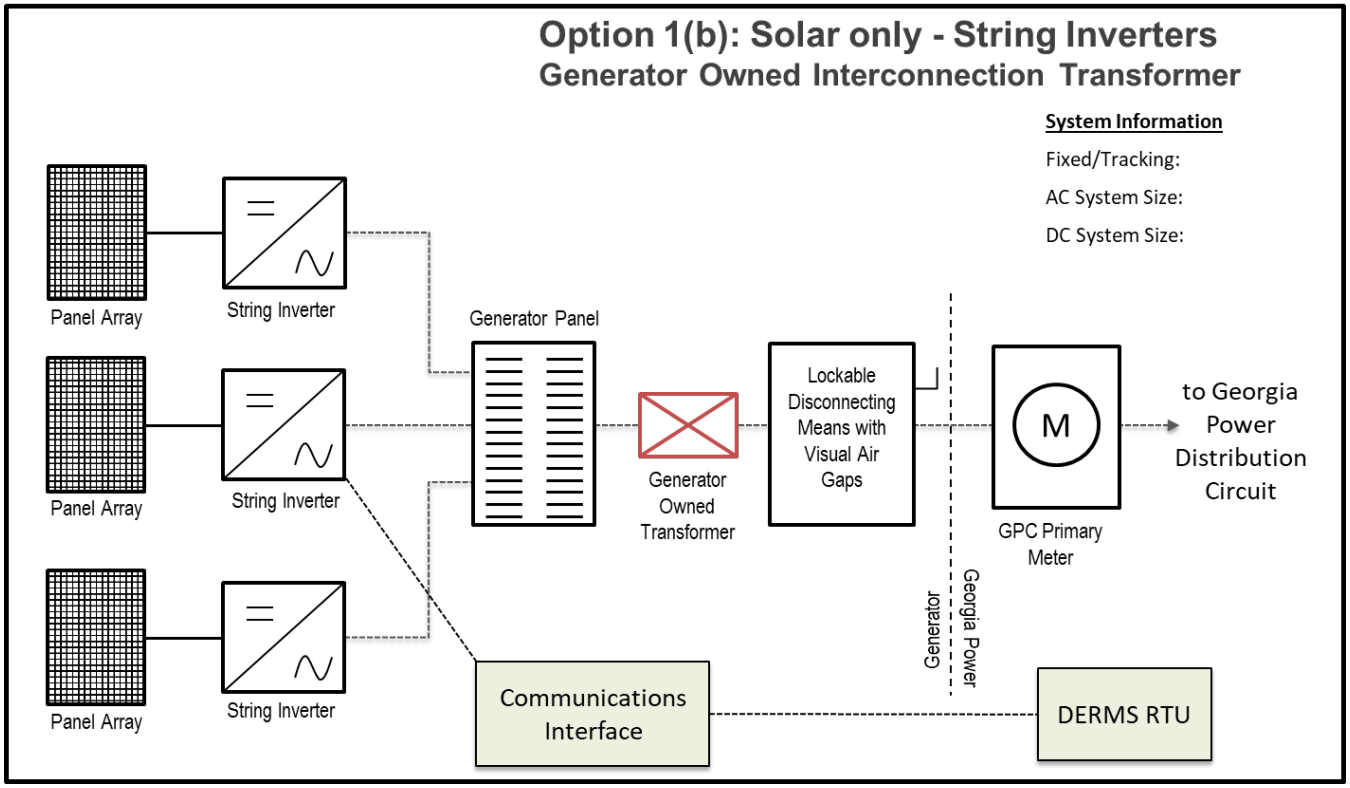
Each Bid must include a Facility One-Line Diagram. Bidder may select a Facility One-Line Diagram based on one of the four sample one-line diagrams below. A Bidder may also provide and submit an alternative Facility One-Line Diagram other than one of the samples found in this Exhibit C (*Sample Facility One-Line Diagrams*), but, it will be subject to GPC's review and acceptance, must be compliant with the Southern Company DER Policy, as modified by GPC's specific requirements posted on the GPC website, and must have at least the same level of detail as the samples in this Exhibit C. The Facility One-Line Diagram must include the disconnecting means between the inverter(s) and GPC meter, at a location readily accessible to GPC personnel at all times and in accordance with the National Electric Code.

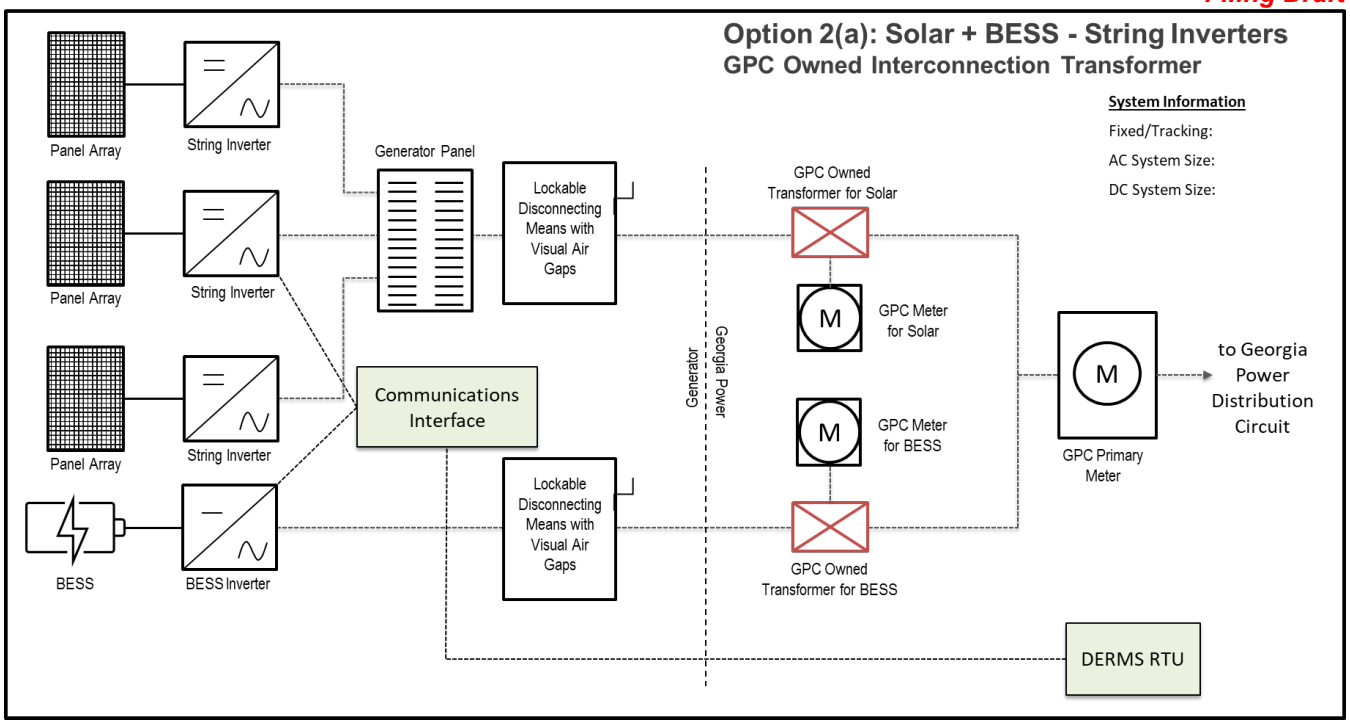
GPC's Bid evaluation will rely on the Facility One-Line Diagram submitted by Bidder. The submitted Facility One-Line Diagram, once accepted by GPC, will be binding upon Bidder as the basis for the final Facility One-Line Diagram that Seller will submit as described in Exhibit F (*PPA Project Milestones and Requirements for Obtaining COA*), Part 2 (*Process to Achieve Commercial Operation Authorization*). Once submitted by Bidder, a Facility One-Line Diagram may not be materially modified.

All configurations are for buy-all/sell-all, separately metered Facilities and not for "behind the meter" solar units.

The sample one-line diagrams in this Exhibit C are conceptual. Seller is responsible for designing the Facility in accordance with the National Electric Code (NEC), the National Electrical Safety Code, other national codes, and any local code pertaining to electrical facility design, construction, or safety. Seller must submit final one-line diagram before Initial Synchronization. For reasons of safety, Seller must provide, install, and maintain disconnecting means between the transformer(s) and GPC meter, at a location readily accessible to GPC personnel and in accordance with the NEC.


Option 1(a): Solar only - String Inverters
GPC Owned Interconnection Transformer
System Information
Fixed/Tracking:
AC System Size:
DC System Size:
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Generator Panel
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
M
GPC Meter
GPC Owned Transformer
to Georgia Power Distribution Circuit
Generator
Georgia Power
Communications Interface
DERMS RTU


Option 1(b): Solar only - String Inverters
Generator Owned Interconnection Transformer
System Information
Fixed/Tracking:
AC System Size:
DC System Size:
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Generator Panel
Generator Owned Transformer
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
M
GPC Primary Meter
to Georgia Power Distribution Circuit
Generator
Georgia Power
Communications Interface
DERMS RTU


Option 2(a): Solar + BESS - String Inverters
GPC Owned Interconnection Transformer
System Information
Fixed/Tracking:
AC System Size:
DC System Size:
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
BESS
BESS Inverter
Generator Panel
Communications Interface
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
Generator
Georgia Power
GPC Owned Transformer for Solar
GPC Meter for Solar
GPC Meter for BESS
GPC Owned Transformer for BESS
GPC Primary Meter
to Georgia Power Distribution Circuit
DERMS RTU

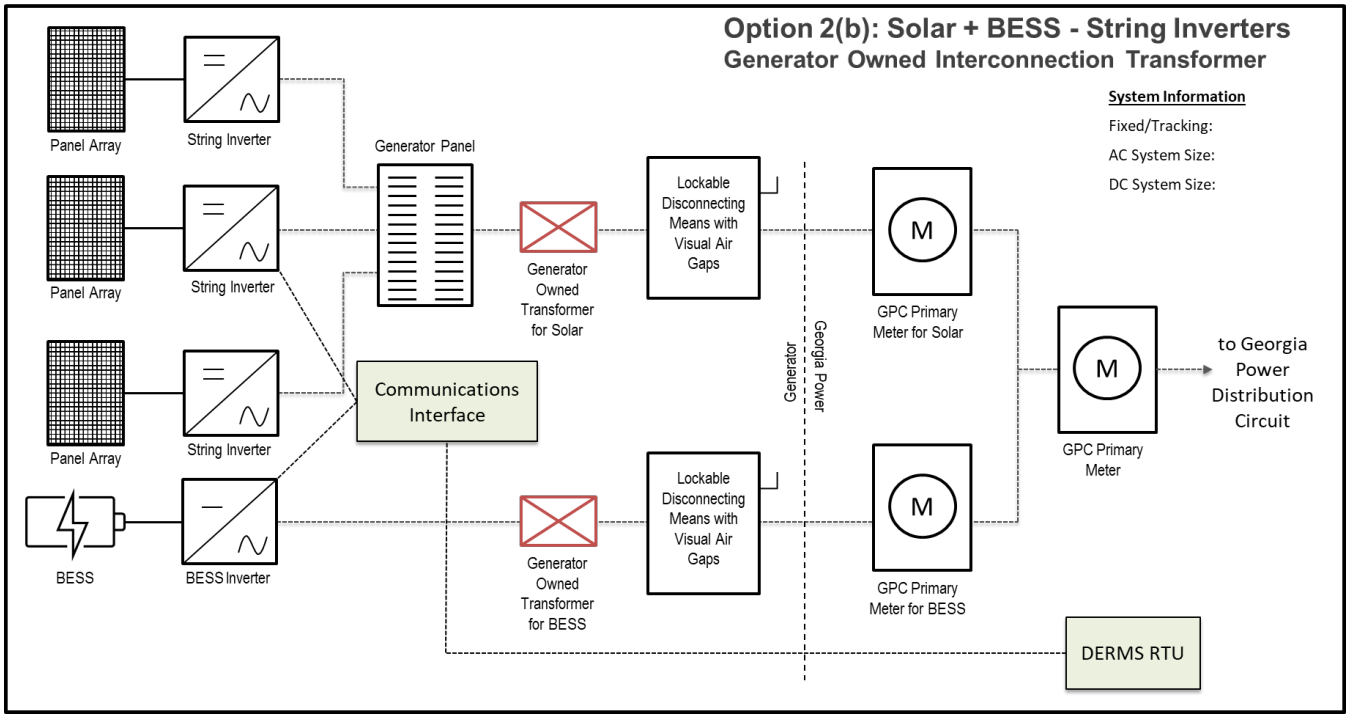

Option 2(b): Solar + BESS - String Inverters
Generator Owned Interconnection Transformer
System Information
Fixed/Tracking:
AC System Size:
DC System Size:
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
Panel Array
String Inverter
BESS
BESS Inverter
Generator Panel
Communications Interface
Generator Owned Transformer for Solar
Generator Owned Transformer for BESS
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
Lockable Disconnecting Means with Visual Air Gaps
Generator
Georgia Power
GPC Primary Meter for Solar
GPC Primary Meter for BESS
GPC Primary Meter
to Georgia Power Distribution Circuit
DERMS RTU

EXHIBIT D – FORM OF SITE CONTROL AFFIDAVIT AND LANDOWNER CONFIRMATION

#Insert Participant's Letterhead
#Insert Date

Georgia Power Company
Bin No. 10196
241 Ralph McGill Blvd NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
Subject: Georgia Power Company's 2026 DG RFP – Site Control
#Bid No. #BidNumber*OR*#COP No. #COPNumber

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of the Georgia Power Company ("**GPC**") 2026 Request for Proposals for Solar Photovoltaic Distributed Generation ("**2026 DG RFP**"), #ParticipantLegalName# a*OR*an #OrgState# #limited liability company#*OR*#OtherOrgStructure# ("**Participant**"), submits this Site Control Affidavit ("**Affidavit**") in support of #Bid No. #BidNumber on its own behalf and on behalf of the counterparty ("**Seller**") who will execute the 2026 DG Solar Power Purchase Agreement ("**PPA**")*OR*#COP No. #COPNumber. For Participant to be eligible for participation, Participant or Seller, as applicable, must possess Site Control, as defined in the 2026 DG RFP. Capitalized words used without definition have the meaning shown in the 2026 DG RFP.

Participant represents, warrants, and covenants the following:

1. The Facility described in the Submission will be located at #Insert parcel number and GPS coordinates of the Site ("**Site**"). If the "Site includes ICF Site" box is selected below, the ICF Site will be on the same property and all references to "Site" below include both the Facility Site and the ICF Site.

   ☐ Site includes ICF Site.

   ☐ ICF Site is separate and a separate Site Control Affidavit for ICF Site is attached (using this DG RFP Exhibit D (*Form of Site Control Affidavit and Landowner Confirmation*) template, revised to address ICF Site only).

2. Participant or Seller, as applicable, has obtained control of the Site in the form specified below ("**Site Control**") (*check one*). #Participant*OR*Seller:

   ☐ (a) Owns the Site (evidenced by a deed recorded in the county property records).

   ☐ (b) Leases the Site (under a current binding written agreement between #Participant*OR*#Seller and the owner or lessor of the Site).

   ☐ (c) Holds an option to purchase the Site (under a current binding written agreement between #Participant*OR*#Seller and the owner of the Site).

   ☐ (d) Holds an option to lease the Site (under a current binding written option agreement with the owner or lessor of the Site).

   ☐ (e) Holds a current binding easement or license from the owner or lessor of the Site that grants #Participant*OR*# Seller express rights to construct, install, operate, maintain and repair the Facility at the Site.

   If Participant or Seller has Site Control under 2(b) through 2(e) above, and GPC does not own or lease the ICF Site, Participant must submit page 3 of this Affidavit, executed by the owner/ground lessor of the Site ("Landowner") confirming Site Control.

3. The above-selected Site Control is free and clear of any lien, right, contract, or other encumbrance that would prevent, limit, or otherwise impede or impair the construction, installation, or commissioning of the Facility or Interconnection Facilities, as applicable, or the operation, maintenance, or repair of the Facility or Interconnection Facilities, as applicable, during the #PPA Term*OR*#COP Facility design life.

4. To the extent not otherwise addressed in Paragraph 2, Participant or Seller is or will be the holder of

every right-of-way grant, easement, or similar instrument(s) necessary for access to the Site, or otherwise to enable the construction, installation, and commissioning of the Facility or Interconnection Facilities, as applicable, and the operation, maintenance and repair of the Facility or Interconnection Facilities, as applicable during the #PPA Term***OR***#COP Facility design life.

5. The Site is adequate for the Facility and lawfully zoned for the Facility, or, if not already appropriately zoned, Participant or Seller agrees to obtain appropriate zoning and all other governmental approvals required for use of the Site. Seller must obtain appropriate zoning and applicable governmental approvals before Seller's execution of the PPA.
6. Participant will promptly notify GPC in writing of any change in the status of Site Control.
7. Upon request, Participant will provide to GPC a copy of all documents necessary to demonstrate satisfactory legal evidence of Site Control, including the lease, deed, option, or easement, as applicable, comprising the Site Control noted above.
8. Participant provides below any information currently known regarding land preparation and any environmental, permitting, legal, regulatory, or other matter that might affect Participant's ability to provide to GPC all necessary property rights.

Participant does solemnly swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the information Participant has provided in this Affidavit is based on Participant's own personal knowledge and is true, complete and correct and that Participant is authorized to submit this Affidavit on behalf of the Seller.

#ParticipantLegalName#

By:_____

Name: _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Date: _____

On this _____ day of _____, 20__ , before me appeared #ParticipantLegalName#, the person who signed the Site Control Affidavit in my presence and who swore or affirmed that he/she understood the document and freely declared it to be truthful.

_____

Official Signature of the Notary

State of _____County of _____

Official Seal of the Notary

Landowner Confirmation

If #Participant***OR***#Participant or Seller has Site Control under Sections 2(b) through 2(e) of the Affidavit, the owner/ground lessor of the Site ("**Landowner**") confirms each of the following by signing below:

1. Subject only to the rights of #Seller***OR***#Participant, Landowner is in undisputed and peaceful possession of the Site. Without limiting the foregoing, there is no tenant, lessee, or any other person or entity in possession of or entitled to possession of any portion of the Site other than Seller and Landowner.

2. Landowner has not entered into, and will not enter into, any contract, including a sales agreement, lease, or option that may affect #Seller's***OR***#Participant's Site Control during the #stated PPA Term***OR***#COP Facility design life.

3. The construction, operation or maintenance of the Facility does not violate or breach any agreement entered into by Landowner, including, without limitation, any lease or ground lease (if applicable), or any other recorded or unrecorded agreement affecting the Site.

4. Landowner grants to GPC a license to enter upon the Site to access, inspect and monitor all portions of the Facility/Interconnection Facilities, as applicable and to install, operate and maintain remote monitoring equipment and communication facilities related to safety, power quality, interconnection requirements and to ensure system reliability. This license will be irrevocable during the #PPA Term***OR***#COP Facility design life.

#LandownerLegalName#

#Landowner's form of entity and state of registration (if applicable)

By:_____

Name
Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT E – SUMMARY OF FEES, COSTS, SECURITY, AND DEADLINES

Summary of Fees, Costs, and Security for Bid, Awarded Contract, and IA					
Fee/Security	**Due Under**	**Amount**	**Required**	**May Be Required**	**Paid to IE**
Bid Fee	RFP	$6/kW[1] [1] Based on Facility Size	X		X
Winner's Fee	RFP	A winning Participant's pro rata portion of IE and RFP administration costs remaining after Bid Fees are applied, subject to $200,000 cap.	X		X
Interconnection Study Fee	RFP	$7,500	X		
POI Change Resulting in a New Interconnection Study	RFP	Up to $6,300		X	
Performance Security	PPA	**Renewable Resource Component[1]:** **Before Initial Synchronization:** $5/kW **From Initial Synchronization until two Annual Periods before the end of Term:** $100/kW **Last two Annual Periods of Term:** $50/kW [1] kW value is based on Renewable Resource Capacity. **Storage Device Component[2]:** **Before Initial Synchronization:** $0.5/kW **From Initial Synchronization until two Annual Periods before the end of Storage Device Term:** $10/kW **Last two Annual Periods of Storage Device Term:** $5/kW [2] If Facility has a Storage Device; kW value is based on SDDC for first Annual Period.		X	

Summary of Fees, Costs, and Security for Bid, Awarded Contract, and IA					
Fee/Security	**Due Under**	**Amount**	**Required**	**May Be Required**	**Paid to IE**
Delay Damages	PPA	Amount equal to $13/kW for the Renewable Resource and $8/kW for the Storage Device (based on the SDDC for the first Annual Period), if applicable, must be posted as Delay Damages Performance Security if Seller fails to achieve Mechanical Completion by RMCD. Amount equal to $8/kW for the Renewable Resource and $5/kW for the Storage Device (based on the SDDC for the first Annual Period), if applicable, must be posted as Delay Damages Performance Security if Seller fails to request Initial Synchronization by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization. GPC can draw on funds to recover Delay Damages as they accrue (the amounts specified below) for each Day of delay beyond either the RMCD or Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization: **Renewable Resource Component**[1]: **Levelized Pricing PPA:** $0.14/kW per Day **Escalating Pricing PPA:** $0.06/kW per Day [1] kW value is based on Renewable Resource Capacity. **Storage Device Component**[2]**:** The ***product of:*** (i) $0.34/kW (per Day); ***multiplied by*** (ii) MVF as shown in the following equation: $0.34/kW x MVF (per Day) [2] If Facility has a Storage Device; kW value is based on SDDC for first Annual Period.		X	
Changing Collateral	PPA	$2,500 per occurrence		X	

Summary of Fees, Costs, and Security for Bid, PPA, and IA				
Fee/Security	**Due Under**	**Amount**	**Required**	**May Be Required**
Amendments	PPA	$2,500 per occurrence after first request		X
Assignments	PPA	$5,000 per occurrence after first request unless discount under Section 14.6 (*Multiple Requests for Assignment or Change of Control*) of the applicable PPA applies		X
Change of Control	PPA	$5,000 per occurrence after first request unless discount under Section 14.6 (*Multiple Requests for Assignment or Change of Control*) of the applicable PPA applies		X
Termination Liquidated Damages	PPA	**Renewable Resource Component[1]:** **Before COA:** $50/kW **From COA until two Annual Periods before the end of the Term:** $100/kW **Last two Annual Periods of Term:** $50/kW [1]kW value is based on Renewable Resource Capacity. **Storage Device Component[2]:** **Before COA:** $5/kW **From COA until two Annual Periods before the end of Storage Device Term:** $10/kW **Last two Annual Periods of Storage Device Term:** $5/kW [2]kW value is based on SDDC for first Annual Period.		X
Metering	IA	**Administrative Fee:** $0.175/kW per month, up to $250 per month **Metering Service Charge:** $110 interval per month (per meter including a telephone); minimum of three meters for Facility with Storage Device (charges for additional telephones).	X	

Interconnection Costs	IA	Ranges based on the project location and Facility Size	X	

Summary of RFP Deadlines	
Milestone	**Deadline**
Bid Fee	By 12:00 PM on Bid Due Date
Interconnection Study Fee	No later than 10 Days after RFP Target List Notification
PPA and IA Execution	No later than 15 Business Days after receipt from GPC
Winner's Fee	No later than 10 Days after receipt of notice of the final Winner's Fee amount owed
Notice of form of Eligible Collateral and draft of non-cash Eligible Collateral	Date Winning Bidder returns its executed PPA, if Seller is not Creditworthy
Performance Security	No later than five Business Days after PPA Execution
Payment of Interconnection Costs	No later than 30 Days after full execution of PPA and IA

EXHIBIT F – PPA PROJECT MILESTONES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING COA

PART 1. PROJECT MILESTONES

1.1. **Mechanical Completion.** The PPA sets forth the criteria for Mechanical Completion of the Facility. Mechanical Completion of the Facility must be achieved by the RMCD. Each Bidder must indicate the RMCD in its Bid, and the date must not exceed 365 Days after the date of Certification. When Seller believes the Facility has achieved Mechanical Completion, Seller must submit the Mechanical Completion Certificate, found in PPA Exhibit C (*Mechanical Completion Certificate*).

Seller's failure to achieve Mechanical Completion by the RMCD will result in an assessment of Delay Damages. This process is designed to ensure Seller's obligations and achievement of its construction milestone activities are separate from GPC's milestone activities related to interconnection, which means GPC's construction of the Interconnection Facilities will not delay Seller's achievement of Mechanical Completion. Seller will incur Delay Damages if the Facility fails to achieve Mechanical Completion by the RMCD, or if Seller fails to request Initial Synchronization by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization. GPC encourages each Bidder to review Section 2.5 (*Failure to Achieve Mechanical Completion by the RMCD*) and Section 5.2 (*Failure to Submit Initial Synchronization Request by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization*) of the applicable PPA for the details regarding Delay Damages and the associated posting of Eligible Collateral.

1.2. **Initial Synchronization.** Seller must request Initial Synchronization by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization. Seller's failure to request Initial Synchronization by the Required Notice Date for Initial Synchronization will result in an assessment of Delay Damages as further discussed in Section 1.1 (*Mechanical Completion*) of this Exhibit F (*PPA Project Milestones and Requirements for Obtaining COA*).

After: (1) GPC completes construction of the Interconnection Facilities; and (2) Seller submits the Initial Synchronization Request, GPC and Seller will jointly select a date and time for Initial Synchronization. The Facility must be ready to be energized when Seller submits the Initial Synchronization Request. Seller must give GPC at least 10 Business Days' prior written notice of the date for Initial Synchronization. During Seller's commissioning of the Facility, Seller will be granted one period of Initial Synchronization, which must not last more than seven Days past the date of energization. If the Initial Synchronization period exceeds seven Days, GPC reserves the right to temporarily disconnect the Facility and de-energize its Interconnection Facilities, and in that case, GPC reserves the right to determine under the IA when to reconnect the Facility and re-energize its Interconnection Facilities before Witness Testing. If GPC must re-energize its Interconnection Facilities, and it was Seller's action or inaction that required the Facility to be disconnected and de-energized, Seller must reimburse GPC for GPC's return service trip cost.

1.3. **Witness Testing.** The Facility must successfully pass Witness Testing after Initial Synchronization. GPC and Seller will jointly select the date and time of Witness Testing, except that GPC may: (1) schedule Witness Testing in the order of requests received and subject to availability of its resources; (2) require at least 10 Business Days' prior notice to schedule Witness Testing; and (3) not schedule an initial Witness Test in the month of December. If Seller requires rescheduling of a previously agreed upon Witness Test date, Seller must notify GPC no later than 48 hours before the originally scheduled Witness Test. Otherwise, Seller will be required to pay a secondary Witness Test fee. Additional details and specific requirements about Witness Testing can be found in the GPC Distribution Test Policy. GPC will grant Commercial Operation Authorization to Seller within seven Business Days after the successful completion of Witness Testing, so long as all other contractual obligations have been met. Seller's failure to successfully complete Witness Testing within 120 Days after the date of Initial Synchronization will be considered a Seller Event of

Default under the PPA and give rise to GPC's right to terminate the PPA and the IA.

PART 2. PROCESS TO ACHIEVE COMMERCIAL OPERATION AUTHORIZATION

2.1. Interconnection Information. GPC will develop and provide to Bidder the ICF Site Plan that identifies the ICF Site and the required easements, permits, or other property right documents, utilizing the Initial Site Plan submitted with the Bid. After Bidder acknowledges the ICF Site Plan in its Bid Book, Bidder must begin procuring the necessary property rights for GPC's Interconnection Facilities. GPC will commence other interconnection-related work only after the IA is executed and the Interconnection Costs are paid in full.

Seller will be responsible for initial preparation of the entire ICF Site, including the Access Route, in accordance with the DG Interconnection Construction Guidelines. Additionally, throughout the PPA Term, Seller will be responsible, at its expense, for maintaining the Access Route in accordance with the PPA and as necessary to allow GPC to operate, maintain, or repair the Interconnection Facilities.

Seller is solely responsible for payment of all On-Site Interconnection Costs. The IA will reflect the Interconnection Costs owed by Seller to GPC. Seller must pay the applicable Interconnection Costs 30 Days after the IA Execution Date. Interconnection Costs reflected in the IA are time-sensitive and any changes or delays beyond the stated timelines may require GPC to re-calculate the Interconnection Costs, which may result in higher Interconnection Costs. GPC is not obligated to incur any Interconnection Costs or otherwise commence any interconnection-related procurement or work until the IA is executed and the required Interconnection Costs are paid. In addition, GPC's obligation regarding physical construction of Interconnection Facilities is contingent upon GPC receiving all easement rights, permits, and other necessary property rights.

After the ICF Site Plan is acknowledged in the Bidder's Bid Book on the IE Website, any change to the Facility (equipment or layout), the Site, or the ICF Site will require written consent by GPC. If allowed, Seller must pay GPC for any additional costs incurred by GPC resulting from any change to the Facility documents, the Facility, the Site, the ICF Site, or any delay in Seller paying Interconnection Costs or providing all required information.

2.2. Final Design Information. As soon as practicable, but no later than 90 Days before the RMCD, Seller must upload to PowerClerk all Final Facility Documents and any other documents required by GPC for use in the construction and installation of its Interconnection Facilities. Any delay in furnishing the Final Facility Documents may result in delay of GPC's completion of its Interconnection Facilities and delay the interconnection of the Facility. Seller must not modify the Facility design or layout or the Final Facility Documents once the Final Facility Documents are submitted to and accepted by GPC. Any Facility change or error in the Final Facility Documents may result in GPC assessing additional fees or charges to Seller if the change/error requires additional Interconnection Study or additional or revised Interconnection Facilities and will delay interconnection of the Facility. The ICF Site Plan and the Final Facility Documents serve as the final Site design for the project.

EXHIBIT G – BID ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES

PART 1. BID ASSIGNMENT

1.1 Overview.

1.1.1 A Bid may only be assigned, including any assignment of a previously assigned Bid to the original Bidder, with the prior written notice to and consent of GPC in accordance with the requirements of this Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*).

1.1.2 For each proposed Bid Assignment, Bidder and the proposed Bid assignee named in and executing the Consent Request ("**Bid Assignee**") must review the requirements of this Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*) and agree to the *Request for Georgia Power Company's Consent to Bid Assignment* included as Attachment 1 (*GPC Bid Assignment Consent Form*) to this Exhibit G ("**Consent Request**").

1.1.3 These guidelines are limited to Bid assignments during the 2026 DG RFP Bid solicitation phase (each attempted or completed assignment, a "**Bid Assignment**"). For assignments, transfers, or other changes after execution of the PPA and IA, the contracting party must comply with requirements in those agreements. For purposes of this Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*) a Change of Control Transaction will be deemed an assignment, subject to the provisions of this Exhibit G. For purposes of this Exhibit G, a "**Change of Control Transaction**" is any transaction or series of related transactions which, if consummated, would result in Bidder being an Affiliate of a different Ultimate Parent Entity immediately after the transaction. For purposes of this definition, the "**Ultimate Parent Entity**" of a Person is the Person who: (i) directly or indirectly controls 50% or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests in the Person; (ii) has ordinary voting power; and (iii) does not itself have an Ultimate Parent Entity.

1.2 Notice and Consent Requirements.

1.2.1 Notice Requirements.

(i) Assignment Before PPA Award. If Bidder intends to assign its Bid, Bidder must provide GPC with prior written notice through the IE Website in the form of the Consent Request of: (a) Bidder's intent to assign the Bid; (b) the name of the proposed Bid Assignee; (c) the information required under Section 1.3 (*Required Information*) regarding the Bid Assignee; and (d) Bidder's request for GPC to consent to the Bid Assignment. The Consent Request and all required information must be submitted to GPC through the IE Website at least 15 Days before the proposed effective date of the Bid Assignment and by no later than five Business Days after Bidder's receipt of the Bid's Interconnection Costs statement.

(ii) Failure to Comply with Notice Requirements. If a Bidder does not comply with the notice and consent requirements of this Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*), GPC may place the Bid on the Release List for that reason alone. A consent granted by GPC for a Bid Assignment does not mean that the Bid will be selected as a Winning Bid or advanced to the RFP Target List.

1.2.2 Consent by GPC. Bidder must not assign any Bid without GPC's prior written consent. Any attempted Bid Assignment without GPC's prior written consent will be void and the original Bidder will remain responsible for all of its obligations relating to the Bid. GPC's consent to a proposed Bid Assignment will not create any obligation for GPC to the original Bidder or Bid Assignee beyond GPC's evaluation of the Bid according to the 2026 DG RFP. GPC reserves the right to reject a Bid Assignment in its sole but reasonable discretion, including

if notice is late, incomplete, or GPC determines the Bid Assignment would be contrary to the 2026 DG RFP or the Commission's orders relating to the 2026 DG RFP. If GPC rejects a Bidder's proposed Bid Assignment, GPC will provide Bidder with notice through the IE, but the notice will not include a detailed explanation of GPC's rejection of the Bid Assignment. GPC's consent to any Bid assignment request is subject to, among other things, Bid Assignee's acknowledgement of and agreement to the terms of the 2026 RFP, including the waiver in RFP Section 7.2 (*Initial Review of Submissions*).

1.3 Required Information. Bidder must provide all information described in this Section 1.3 (*Required Information*).

1.3.1 Bid Assignee Information. Bidder must include with its Consent Request all applicable information pertaining to the proposed Bid Assignee that was required of Bidder under the RFP, including, RFP Part 6 (*Submission Process*), RFP Section 7.4 (*Non-Price and Qualitative Considerations*), and RFP Exhibit B (*Additional Bid Information*), including all required affidavits and certifications (in proposed Bid Assignee's name) and any modifications regarding the information submitted by the original Bidder with its Bid. Bidder must also identify whether the proposed Bid Assignee is an Affiliate of Bidder or an unrelated third party.

1.3.2 Confirmation of Assignee Information. As required by the Consent Request, by providing notice to GPC of Bidder's intent to assign the Bid through the IE, Bidder and Bid Assignee represent and certify the following:

(i) The proposed Bid Assignment will not adversely impact any obligations of the Bidder under the Bid as assumed by the Bid Assignee as of the Bid Assignment Effective Date;

(ii) The Bid Assignee meets the Bidder requirements of the 2026 RFP;

(iii) The proposed Bid Assignee is willing, ready, and able to perform and discharge all obligations of Bidder for the Bid; and

(iv) The proposed Bid Assignee agrees to the terms of the 2026 DG RFP, including the waiver in its Section 7.2 (*Initial Review of Submissions*) and to assume all obligations of the Bidder under the Bid.

1.3.3 Additional Information Requested by GPC. GPC may request for Bidder or the proposed Bid Assignee to provide additional information as GPC deems necessary. Bidder must promptly provide through the IE Website the additional information GPC may request from Bidder or the proposed Bid Assignee to avoid any delays in GPC approving the Bid Assignment or GPC rejecting the Bid Assignment.

1.4 Fees. By no later than the date Bidder submits the Consent Request, Bidder must pay on behalf of Bid Assignee a non-refundable fee of $2,500 to defray the costs of GPC's review, approval, or denial of Bidder's request for consent to the Bid Assignment.

EXHIBIT G – ATTACHMENT 1 – GPC BID ASSIGNMENT CONSENT FORM

Request for Georgia Power Company's Consent to Bid Assignment
(Submitted via the IE Website)
Georgia Power Company's 2026 DG RFP

Today's Date	
Proposed Effective Date of Proposed Bid Assignment *(must be at least 15 Days after Today's Date and by no later than five Business Days after Bidder's receipt of the Bid's Interconnection Costs statement)*	
Bidder Name	
Bid Number	
Facility Name	

The undersigned Bidder ("**Bidder**") is undertaking a proposed Bid Assignment to the proposed assignee named and signing below ("**Bid Assignee**"), in accordance with RFP Section 6.14 (*Bid Assignments*) and RFP Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*). Bidder and Bid Assignee each acknowledge that the consent of Georgia Power Company ("**GPC**"), if given and evidenced by the signature of an authorized GPC representative below, will not become effective until the effective date of the Bid Assignment reflected in GPC's signature block ("**Bid Assignment Effective Date**") and is contingent upon Bidder and Bid Assignee's full compliance with RFP Section 6.14 and RFP Exhibit G. GPC's consent to a Bid Assignment will not create any obligation for GPC to the original Bidder or Bid Assignee beyond GPC's evaluation of the Bid according to the 2026 DG RFP. Bidder and Bid Assignee, as applicable, each make the following representations as required by RFP Section 6.14 and RFP Exhibit G and provides notice to, and requests the consent of, GPC regarding the Bid Assignment:

1. **Bid Assignee Information.**

   Bidder represents that it has included with this *Request for Georgia Power's Consent to Bid Assignment* all applicable information regarding Bid Assignee required to be provided by Bidder to GPC under RFP Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*), Section 1.3.1 (*Bid Assignee Information*).

2. **Confirmation of Assignee Information.**

   Bidder and Bid Assignee each represent and confirm the following:

   (i) The proposed Bid Assignment will not adversely impact any obligations of the Bidder under the Bid as assumed by the Bid Assignee as of the Bid Assignment Effective Date.

(ii) The Bid Assignee meets the Bidder requirements of the 2026 RFP.

(iii) The proposed Bid Assignee is willing, ready, and able to perform and discharge all obligations of Bidder for the Bid.

(iv) The proposed Bid Assignee acknowledges and agrees to the terms of the 2026 RFP, including the waiver in Section 7.2 (*Initial Review of Submissions*) of the 2026 RFP and to assume all obligations of Bidder under the Bid.

3. Fees.

Bidder confirms that it has paid the two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) bid assignment fee as required by RFP Exhibit G (*Bid Assignment Guidelines*), Section 1.4 (*Fees*).

4. Miscellaneous.

This *Request for Georgia Power's Consent to Bid Assignment* may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which is an original and all of which constitute a single instrument. The signatures of each party are not required to be contemporaneous. The parties may exchange counterparts of this document as a scanned image (e.g., .pdf or .tiff file extension) as an attachment to email. An electronic or scanned signature is an original signature for all purposes. Each party represents and warrants that the individual signing this *Request for Georgia Power's Consent to Bid Assignment* on its behalf is authorized to sign this instrument. No further proof of authorization is required.

In consideration of the mutual promises described here, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy, and sufficiency of which each party acknowledges, and intending to be legally bound, the parties evidence this Consent Request by execution below.

Bidder Signature:

The undersigned Bidder provides notice to GPC and requests GPC's consent as indicated above.

#BidderLegalName#	
Signature of Authorized Representative	
Name (Please Print)	
Title	

Bid Assignee Signature:

The undersigned proposed Bid Assignee: (i) acknowledges Bidder's Request for GPC's consent to this Bid Assignment; (ii) represents that it has a complete copy of, and has reviewed, the Bid; (iii) makes all representations, warranties, and covenants required for this Bid Assignment per all applicable terms and conditions; (iv) warrants that all representations and warranties made by Bidder in the Bid are true and correct as to the Bid Assignee as of Today's Date noted above and covenants that they will also be true and correct as of the Bid Assignment Effective Date of the Bid Assignment; (v) acknowledges and agrees to the terms of the 2026 DG RFP, including the waiver in Section 7.2 (*Initial Review of Submissions*) of the 2026 DG RFP; and (vi) agrees to assume all of Bidder's obligations (as applicable) under the Bid, including those associated with the referenced Bid Number upon the Bid Assignment Effective Date of the Bid Assignment.

#BidAssigneeLegalName#	
Signature of Authorized Representative	
Name (*Please Print)*	
Title	
Email	
Mailing Address	

GPC Signature:

By signing below, GPC, consents to the proposed Bid Assignment of the Bid to the Bid Assignee as of the Bid Assignment Effective Date indicated below.

Georgia Power Company	
Signature of Authorized Representative	
Name (*Please Print)*	
Title	
Bid Assignment Effective Date	

EXHIBIT H – INTENTIONAL INCLUSION CERTIFICATE

Georgia Power Company 241
Ralph McGill Blvd NE
Bin No. 10196
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

RE: 2026 DG RFP – Intentional Inclusion

Facility Address:

Generation Facility Type:

Contact person for the Site/Facility:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On or before #Month #Day, #Year and in accordance with the provisions of 2026 DG RFP, #BidderLegalName# a *OR* an #OrgState# #limited liability company# *OR* #OtherOrgStructure# ("**Bidder**"), is submitting one or more Bids for consideration to fulfill a portion of the 2026 DG RFP, which may result in Bidder being awarded a #Power Purchase Agreement for 2026 Distributed Generation Solar*OR*#Build Transfer Agreement with Georgia Power Company ("**GPC**"). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Affidavit have the meanings set forth in the 2026 DG RFP.

GPC is committed to supporting intentional inclusion within GPC as well as externally. To further this initiative, GPC is expanding its inclusion expectations to its counterparties, consultants, and supply chain vendors. By nurturing relationships with a broad range of suppliers and contractors, both big and small, GPC broadens its access to products and services, while demonstrating GPC's commitment to economic inclusion across the state of Georgia. Accordingly, GPC will consider a Bidder's intentional inclusion commitments and demonstrated progress as a non-price factor in GPC's 2026 DG RFP if Bidder self-certifies and checks all applicable qualifications in Section 1 (*Self-Certification*) and affirm the covenants in Section 2 (*Bidder Covenants*).

Section 1: Self-Certification

A. Is Bidder a Small Business (other than a Large Business) – A business concern that meets the small business size code standards established by the SBA in 13 C.F.R. Part 121?

□ Yes □ No

B. Please check all that apply:

□ Veteran-Owned Business

□ Disability-Owned Business

Section 2: Bidder Covenants

Bidder covenants that Bidder will:

A. Comply with all applicable employment laws with respect to its recruitment, interviewing, and selection practices;

B. Actively seek, screen, and consider qualified small and local suppliers, contractors, and subcontractors that can provide competitively priced, high-quality goods and services;

C. Actively seek to provide employment opportunities in the local community (i.e., near the Facility site); and

D. Demonstrate support and advocacy for inclusion in its business efforts (e.g., hiring and marketing).

Bidder certifies that the information provided in this Certificate is based on Bidder's own knowledge and is true and complete.

#BidderLegalName#

By: _____
Name Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT I – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCES COMPLIANCE AFFIDAVIT FORM

Georgia Power Company
241 Ralph McGill Blvd NE
Bin No. 10196
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

RE: 2026 DG RFP – Environmental Assurances Compliance

Facility Address:

Generation Facility Type:

Contact person for the Site/Facility:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On or before #Month #Day, #Year, and in accordance with the provisions of the 2026 DG RFP, #ParticipantLegalName#, a #OrgState# #limited liability company# ***OR*** #OtherOrgStructure# ("**Participant**") offered a Submission for consideration to fulfill a portion of the 2026 DG RFP ("**RFP**") on behalf of the counterparty that will execute an Awarded Contract with GPC ("**Seller**")***OR***#Participant. Capitalized terms undefined in this Affidavit have the meaning assigned in the RFP.

The Environmental Assurances Guidance Document provides various environmental requirements that, at a minimum, Participant must consider, address, and document, as applicable, as part of its completed Submission. Participant acknowledges that failure to consider environmental permitting, compliance, and Site-related environmental factor impacts, or failure to provide documentation of the consideration, will be deemed an incomplete Submission and may preclude further consideration of the Submission.

Participant hereby represents, warrants, and covenants the following:

1. Participant is familiar with all applicable federal, state, or local environmental regulations respecting the Site/Facility and has considered and addressed each of the factors described in the Environmental Assurances Guidance Document;

2. The Site/Facility and #Seller***OR***#Participant will, during the PPA Term***OR***#COP Facility design life, comply with all applicable federal, state, or local environmental laws and requirements, including obtaining or renewing all applicable state and federal environmental permits with respect to the design, construction, ownership, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning (if applicable) of the Facility. #Seller's***OR***#Participant's compliance with environmental laws includes: (i) the performance of all studies required or recommended under environmental laws to assess the impacts of the Facility on the environment, wildlife, or cultural resources; and (ii) mitigation of any environmental impact, including all requirements to seek, obtain, maintain, comply with and, as necessary, renew or modify from time to time, all applicable certificates, licenses, permits, Governmental Authority approvals, environmental certificates, and environmental impact analyses, and if applicable, the mitigation of environmental impacts, including any mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts to environmental, wildlife, or cultural resources, including any species conservation strategy or conservation agreement and any cultural resources treatment plan. #Seller***OR***#Participant will be responsible for all costs, expenses, charges, and fees in connection with same;

3. #Seller***OR***#Participant will maintain all required federal, state, or local environmental permits during the PPA Term ***OR***#COP Facility design life;

4. Participant or Seller, as applicable, will promptly notify GPC in writing of any material change in the status of Bidder or Seller's environmental compliance during the #PPA Term***OR***#Company-Owned Proposal Facility;

5. #Participant and Seller*OR*#Participant will avoid environmental impacts, if possible, and will mitigate unavoidable environmental impacts as required under federal, state, or local regulations for during the PPA Term *OR*#COP Facility design life;

6. #Seller*OR*#Participant will not make any change fundamentally altering the preliminary Site plan of the Facility in a manner that will result in a significant environmental/cultural resource impact;

7. #Seller*OR*#Participant will during the PPA Term*OR*#COP Facility design life on a regular basis, or as otherwise may be required by any Governmental Authority, review and maintain and comply with all BMPs in connection with the design, construction, ownership, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning (if applicable) of the Facility;

8. If during the #PPA Term, Seller*OR*#COP Facility design life, Participant: (i) is notified of its failure to comply with, (ii) fails to comply with, or (iii) otherwise becomes aware that it is not in compliance with any BMPs, #Seller*OR*#Participant will take steps to regain compliance in accordance with any requirements of any applicable Governmental Authority or otherwise as promptly as commercially practicable. #Seller*OR*#Participant will review all updates to, and any new, BMPs on a regular basis and will take steps as may be required to comply with any new or updated BMPs;

9. If any species surveys or studies indicate that a direct or indirect taking of wildlife listed as threatened, endangered, or other special status under environmental laws, or any impacts to habitat of such wildlife, will occur as a result of development or construction activities (including due to grading, ground disturbance, tree clearing, or nest removal) or during operation of the Facility, Seller will consult with the relevant Governmental Authority to determine whether incidental take authorization or a species habitat conservation or management plan is required under environmental laws for the Facility or the Site. If required by any permit, #Seller*OR*#Participant will develop and share with GPC a plan for addressing those impacts. During development and construction of the Facility, any wildlife protected by environmental laws discovered on the Site will be reported in accordance with any applicable conservation or management plans; and

10. If this Submission advances to the RFP Target List, Participant agrees to provide GPC Environmental Assurances by no later than 60 days after the Bid Advances to the RFP Target List.

Participant acknowledges that a statement from Participant that "this work is being completed" or that "work is being done according to appropriate guidelines" will not be sufficient to meet the environmental requirements for a completed Bid.

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Participant does solemnly swear or affirm under penalty of perjury, that the information Participant has provided in this Affidavit is based on Participant's own personal knowledge and is true, complete, and correct. Participant acknowledges that any change in compliance status constitutes a change of information, notice of which Participant[or Seller], as the case may be, must provide to GPC promptly. Participant further certifies that Bidder personally examined and is familiar with all the information in this Affidavit, including any exhibit, attachment, or appendix, and further certifies that information to be true, correct, and complete.

#ParticipantLegalName#

By: _____

Name Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

State of _____

County of _____

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me appeared #BidderLegalName#, the person who signed the preceding Environmental Assurances Compliance Affidavit in my presence and who swore or affirmed that the person understood the document and freely declared it to be truthful.

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Official Signature of Notary

State of _____ **County of** _____

Official Seal of Notary

***My Commission Expires*:**

EXHIBIT J – OVERVIEW OF SUBMISSION EVALUATION

PART 1 OVERVIEW

Each Bid submitted into this DG RFP will be evaluated and ranked based on the levelized total Net Benefit to GPC's customers on a cents per kW-hour (¢/kWh) basis. The total Net Benefit of a Bid is calculated by subtracting the costs customers will pay, if a Bid advances, from the projected costs customers would otherwise incur if the Bid were not advanced. GPC will consider as part of its Best Cost Analysis various evaluation components, including: (i) the PPA Contract Energy Price; (ii) the Projected Avoided Costs in accordance with the RCB Framework; and (iii) any distribution costs. The following sections describe in further detail the Best Cost Analysis evaluation components.

PART 2 CONTRACT ENERGY PRICE AND CAPACITY PRICE (PPA BIDS)

For PPAs, the primary component of costs to be included in GPC's Best Cost Analysis would be the Contract Energy Price GPC pays to the Seller for the Energy. GPC's evaluation assumes 100% of the Facility's Profile is delivered. For Bids including a Storage Device, the Annual Capacity Price will be an additional cost component included in the analysis.

For all PPA Bids, the Annual Energy Contract Amount for each Annual Period will be equal to the Energy in the Profile submitted by Bidder with adjustments for leap years. The annual Energy in subsequent Annual Periods, beginning with the second Annual Period, should decrease according to the degradation Profile submitted in the Bid. GPC will perform its own analysis of the provided data to ensure the reasonableness of the Bid.

PART 3 TOTAL PRICE (COPS)

For COPs, the primary component of the costs to be included in GPC's Best Cost Analysis is the total cost GPC would pay to complete the Facility, including costs identified in RFP Rule 515-3-4.04(3)(e)(1)(iii). Additionally, GPC will consider costs for ongoing operation and maintenance of the Facility, including costs identified in RFP Rule 515-3-4.04(3)(e)(1)(iii) in its Best Cost Analysis.

As further described in RFP Section 7.5 (*Company-Owned Proposal Evaluation*), a revenue requirement will be calculated for each COP using GPC's proprietary revenue requirement model. The Submission's revenue requirement will then be converted to an energy price stated in cents per kilowatt-hour (¢/kWh), and for COPs including a Storage Device, an additional capacity price stated in $/kW-yr. Staff will oversee the conversion of COP pricing.

PART 4 EQUITY COST OF PPA – DETERMINING THE BALANCE SHEET CONSEQUENCE FOR FINANCE LEASE OR OPERATING LEASE TREATMENT.

If a Bid is determined to be a lease, there is an equity cost to GPC when the PPA is placed on GPC's balance sheet caused by the Rating Agency treatment of a lease in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 842.

For a Finance Lease, GPC must capitalize the PPA as an asset on its balance sheet and must offset it by a debt obligation on the liability side of the balance sheet. The addition of the debt obligation on the balance sheet requires GPC to recapitalize to maintain the appropriate debt and equity ratio. As a result, there are direct equity costs incurred by GPC when a PPA is capitalized and reflected on the balance sheet as a Finance Lease. The equity cost of a Bid determined to result in a Finance Lease, if selected, will be evaluated by determining the net cost (lease cost less depreciation and tax implication) of capitalizing the PPA.

For an Operating Lease, the PPA is also added to the balance sheet but without directly affecting the debt and equity ratio on GPC's books. However, rating agencies impute debt onto GPC's balance sheet in their evaluation of the credit rating for GPC. Therefore, GPC must still recapitalize to maintain the target debt and equity ratio needed to ensure its credit rating is not impacted by the PPA. There is a direct equity cost premium associated with this treatment.

The additional annual revenue requirement cost to GPC is calculated for the Operating Lease or Finance Lease. The result is the equity cost applied to the Bid.

PART 5 PROJECTED AVOIDED COSTS

5.1 Projected Avoided Costs represent the costs GPC would incur to provide the same service as would be provided by the Bid. As provided and defined in the RCB Framework (discussed more fully in Docket No. 56002), components of this cost include: (i) deferred generation capacity costs; (ii) Avoided Energy Costs; (iii) integration costs; (iv) renewable energy credits; (v) locational transmission value; and (vi) avoided transmission losses. Because Projected Avoided Costs are calculated on an hourly basis, the total evaluated Projected Avoided Cost benefit will vary depending on the Facility's Profile.

A. Generation Costs – Determining the Deferred Generation Capacity Costs

The deferred generation capacity cost is a measure of the costs associated with a Facility for generation capacity.

1. Equivalent Capacity of the Facility. The equivalent kW capacity of the Facility will be determined based on the effective load carrying capability (ELCC) which will be determined by the process approved by the Commission in the GPC 2025 IRP under Docket No. 56002. For reference, the table below includes the current budget year ELCC values for incremental additions of Storage Device capacity of various durations for a Facility with a Storage Device that shares the same POI.

Storage Device Duration	Winter ELCC
2-hour	10%
4-hour	20%
6-hour	30%
8-hour	40%
10-hour	45%
12-hour	55%

2. Projected Avoided Generation Capacity Cost for Each Annual Period ($). The projected avoided generation capacity cost for an Annual Period, in dollars, is determined by multiplying the equivalent capacity of the Facility as determined in Section 1 (*Equivalent Capacity of the Facility*) in kW times the annual avoided capacity rate in dollars per kilowatt-year ($/kW-yr.). The avoided capacity rate is zero until GPC's year of capacity need. The avoided capacity rate is then set to the economic carrying cost of a combustion turbine.

3. Projected Avoided Generation Capacity Cost for Each Annual Period (¢/kWh). The projected avoided generation capacity cost for each Annual Period is converted to ¢/kWh by taking the product of: (i) the ***quotient*** of: (a) the annual costs from Section 2 (*Project Avoided Generation Capacity Cost for Each Annual Period ($)*); ***divided*** by (b) the annual kWh; ***times*** (ii) 100, for each Annual Period (using Bidder's provided output for a given Annual Period (adjusted for leap years) and with assumed degradation as appropriate) of the Bid.

B. Generation Costs – Determining the Avoided Energy Costs

Each Bid's contribution to reducing the aggregate annual system generation fleet fuel and variable cost will be calculated by taking ***the quotient of***: (i) the ***product of***: (a) the projected hourly avoided energy rates, in $/MWh; ***times*** (b) the Facility's Profile, in kWh; ***divided by*** (ii) 10, for each Annual Period based on Bidder's provided Profile. The Profile submitted by Bidder will be adjusted to account for Avoided Transmission Losses (see Section *F* (*Avoided Transmission Losses*)).

C. Integration Costs

In accordance with order filed in document 226331 for Commission Dockets No. 44160 and 56002, the renewable integration cost component of the RCB Framework is revised to be $0.00/MWh.

D. Renewable Energy Credits

In accordance with the RCB Framework, as approved by the Commission in Docket No. 56002, there will be a REC component attributed to the Bid to account for the forecasted value of RECs associated with renewable generation. The same REC forecast will be applied to each Annual Period's total generation using the Profile submitted by the Bidder for a given Annual Period (and the applicable degradation) of the Bid.

E. Locational Transmission Value

In accordance with the RCB Framework, as approved by the Commission in Docket No. 56002, there will be a locational transmission value component attributed to the Bid to account for reduction of the demand placed on the transmission system and deference of otherwise needed transmission investments, depending on the current and future state of the transmission system and the location of the resource. Alternatively, these resources can alter power flow on the bulk transmission system in a way that leads to an increased need in certain transmission investments.

F. Avoided Transmission Losses

Some renewable resources, such as those connected to the distribution system and intended to serve local load, do not use the bulk transmission system. These resources avoid the energy losses associated with moving energy across the transmission system. Bidder profiles will be adjusted to account for avoided transmission losses.

PART 6 EVALUATION OF TRANSMISSION/DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPACTS OF BIDS

An assessment of the transmission/distribution impact of each Bid is an integral part of the total cost analysis. Each Bid is evaluated from a transmission/distribution perspective to assess the additional investment to the existing transmission/distribution systems that would be required to interconnect and deliver the proposed generation to GPC's customers from the COA through the PPA Term.

As part of the evaluation of transmission/distribution impacts of each Bid, GPC will further assess any project scheduling risk posed by the transmission/distribution system evaluation, including the ability of the proposed project to meet the RMCD or RCD. See RFP Section 7.2.2 (*Rejection of Submission for System Upgrades Beyond the Distribution System*) for additional information.

PART 7 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.

7.1 Leap Year Adjustments. Profiles provided by Bidders will be adjusted for leap years, as appropriate.

7.2 Evaluation of Proposals with Unequal Contract Term Lengths. For evaluation of Bids with unequal contract PPA Term lengths, GPC will utilize its Projected Avoided Costs to enable evaluation of Bids on an equivalent basis, which is consistent with how GPC has evaluated Bids with different length terms in prior procurements.

EXHIBIT K – STORAGE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

PART 1 CYBERSECURITY.

1.1 Each Facility must comply with cyber security best practices consistent with Prudent Industry Practices.

1.2 For Submissions with Storage Devices, all programmable electronic components of the: (i) Battery Management System ("BMS"); (ii) BESS Controller; and (iii) Site Controller (including controls, hardware, and software) must not be sourced from or manufactured by Foreign Entities of Concern as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 18741(5) and subsequently interpreted in "Interpretation of Foreign Entity of Concern," 89 Fed. Reg. 37085 (May 6, 2024) or sourced from or manufactured in one of the following countries: China, Russia, North Korea, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Algeria, Venezuela, Iran, Iraq, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Syria, Lebanon, South Sudan, Pakistan, or Cuba. For purposes of this provision, the terms Battery Management System, BESS Controller, and Site Controller are defined as follows:

A. Battery Management System (BMS): A control system used to protect the battery and to provide key parameters, such as state of charge, battery health, and temperature.

B. BESS Controller: A controller used to manage multiple stacks or arrays of batteries. This controller manages the balancing of the batteries.

C. Site Controller: A control system used to manage one or more sources (Photovoltaic solar, batteries, etc.) to achieve facility level control.

PART 2 ADDITIONAL MINIMUM FACILITY TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FACILITIES

Bids for PPAs for Facilities with a Storage Device comprised of a battery energy storage system (BESS) must meet the following requirements with respect to the Storage Device:

2.1 Facility Design

A. Facility engineering and design must account for Storage Device overbuild and augmentation plan, including to site layout, block design, collection system design, aux power design, and controls design.

B. Battery enclosures must be spaced per NFPA 855, UL9540A testing results, state and local code, and AHJ requirements.

2.2 Major Equipment Vendors

A. Major equipment vendors must demonstrate quality and performance and be prepared to perform future warranty and maintenance work.

B. Major equipment must be manufactured in factories certified to both IEC TS 62941 and ISO 9001.

2.3 PV Module

A. Solar modules must be sourced from Bloomberg New Energy Finance (BNEF) Tier 1 photovoltaic manufacturers.

2.4 Inverter

A. Storage Device inverters must be listed in accordance with UL 1741-SB.

B. Unless the inverter is fully integrated as part of the battery supplier's product offering, proven integration experience must be provided between the inverter OEM and the battery supplier.

C. Inverter must be capable of providing reactive power support at zero active power, without reducing the state of charge of the battery (additional auxiliary power consumption must be from the grid).

2.5 Testing

A. Power test, energy capacity test, and RTE test must be performed for the BESS Storage Device.

B. Testing must be performed to demonstrate the combined output of Storage Device and the Renewable Resource are controlled to mitigate equipment overload.

C. Technology specific characterization testing must be performed. (ex. ramp rate testing).

D. Additional testing must be performed as required.

2.6 End-of-Life Disposal / Demolition

A. Description of the end-of-life disposal/recycling plan must be included.

2.7 Storage Device

A. Units must be listed in accordance with ANSI/CAN/UL 9540 Standard for Safety for Energy Storage Systems and Equipment.

B. Battery and battery enclosures must be tested in accordance with ANSI/CAN/UL 9540A Standard for Safety for Test Method Evaluating Thermal Runaway Fire Propagation in Battery Energy Storage Systems.

C. The installation must comply with NFPA 855 Standard for the Installation of Stationary Energy (2023 edition) in addition to state and local fire codes.

D. Storage Device must be appropriately sized and configured to ensure that it consistently maintains its rated nameplate continuous energy output capacity at the designated POI, thereby guaranteeing that the system can reliably meet the specified energy demands and operational requirements without any degradation in performance or efficiency. Storage Device must be sized to maintain rated nameplate continuous energy output capacity at the POI.

EXHIBIT L – VIE CERTIFICATION

[*Note to Bidders: Only Bidders offering a Storage Device are required to complete this Exhibit L (VIE Certification).*]

BID – _____.

The undersigned individual, being the Chief Financial Officer[5] of #BidderLegalName# a*OR*an #OrgState# #limited liability company*OR*#OtherOrgStructure (“**Bidder**”) and [having responsibility/based on information I have received from individuals responsible] for financial accounting matters associated with the Power Purchase Agreement (“**PPA**”) that Bidder would enter with Georgia Power Company (“**GPC**”) if Bidder is a Winning Bidder under the 2026 DG RFP, certifies that the Bid WILL (_____)/WILL NOT (_____) require Bidder, during the proposed PPA term and based on U.S. Generally Accepting Accounting Principles in effect as of the date of this certificate, to deconsolidate on its books and records any assets, liabilities, cash flow, profits, or losses of Bidder as a result of GPC being determined to be the Primary Beneficiary. My determination of the most likely accounting treatment of this transaction results from my personal consideration, after necessary discussions with relevant officers, of Accounting Standards Codification (“**ASC**”) Topic 810, Consolidation, and the following factual matters:

1. Bidder’s accounting policies, procedures, and internal controls are sufficient to provide GPC with an appropriate basis for confirming the information contained in this Certification.

   _____Yes

   _____No (please explain)

   Explain:_____
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2. Bidder qualifies for one of the scope exceptions listed in paragraphs 810-10-15-12 or 810-10-15-17 of ASC Topic 810.

   _____Yes

   _____No (please explain)

   Explain:_____
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3. Bidder is financed with equity equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of Bidder’s total assets per paragraphs 810-10-25-45 to 47 of ASC Topic 810.

   _____Yes

   _____No (please explain)

   Explain:_____
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4. The PPA revenues correlate with fluctuations in Bidder’s operating cash flows (operating expenses).

   _____Yes

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[5] *If Bidder’s business structure does not designate an officer with this or a similar title, Bidder must provide written documentation affirming the authority of the individual who attests to this certification.*

_____No (please explain)

Explain:_____
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5. The PPA reduces variability in the fair value of Bidder's assets, for example, by absorbing fuel or electricity price risk.

_____Yes

_____No (please explain)

Explain:_____
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6. The PPA term is for greater than 50% of the remaining economic life of the unit.

_____Yes

_____No

7. The PPA is for substantially all of the proposed Facility's productive output.

_____Yes

_____No

8. GPC or its Affiliates participated significantly in the design or redesign of the Facility.

_____Yes

_____No

9. The percentage that the Facility's fair value represents, of the fair value of the proposed Bidder's total assets, is approximately;

_____%

10. The Facility is essentially the only source of payment for specified liabilities or specified other interest (there is specific debt associated with the Facility).

_____Yes

_____No

Capitalized words used without definition here have the meaning shown in the 2026 DG RFP.

Bidder understands that GPC: (i) will perform an independent assessment of the PPA under ASC 810; (ii) will rely upon this certification in the evaluation of this Bid; (iii) may require Bidder to submit additional documentation supporting this certification; and (iv) reserves the right to reevaluate or disqualify this Bid if GPC determines that the PPA transaction will most likely be a Variable Interest Entity.

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Certification

The above information (and any attachment) agrees with Bidder's records as of the date of this Certificate.

#BidderLegalName#

By:_____

Name: _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Date: _____