# Bidder Information Session November 7, 2013

FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities'
Competitive Bidding Process for SSO Supply Procurement

Auction Date: January 28, 2014 Delivery Period: June 1, 2014 – May 31, 2016



## Welcome to this bidder information session for FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities' Competitive Bidding Process (CBP)

- FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities: The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, The Toledo Edison Company, and Ohio Edison Company
- CBP is designed to procure full requirements service for SSO Customers of the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities ("Standard Service Offer Load" or "SSO Load")
  - Load not being served by a Competitive Retail Electric Service ("CRES") Supplier
  - Excludes Percentage of Income Payment Plan ("PIPP") Customers
- Winning bidders will assume all responsibilities of a PJM Load Serving Entity ("LSE"), with the exception of procurement to meet any renewable energy requirements
- Auction date is January 28, 2014
- Delivery period is June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2016

#### Presentation is being made by representatives from

- CRA International, the independent CBP Manager
- This presentation will be posted to the Auction Information Website

#### **Questions**

## 3 ways to submit questions during the presentation – questions will be answered only after the prepared presentation

- Use the WebEx "chat room" feature or
- Send an email to <u>cbpmanager@crai.com</u> or
- Use operator assisted call-in number 888-989-9773
  - Inform the operator you have a question by pressing \*1 at any time
  - Operator will place you into queue
  - Your position in queue will be noted, but you will be on mute and unable to ask your questions until
    prompted later following the prepared presentation

#### Following the prepared presentation

- Questions will be queued in the order above and answered
- After questions sent via "chat room" and emails are answered, the phone line will be opened for callers
  who use the call-in number
- Callers will be introduced using an assigned port number
- When asking a question, callers should <u>NOT</u> identify themselves

#### **Background**

On March 23, 2010, Ohio Edison, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and Toledo Edison filed an Electric Security Plan ("ESP") with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") – Case No. 10-0388-EL-SSO, which was approved on August 25, 2010. Under the Plan, which covers the period of June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2014, a competitive bidding process is used to establish generation supply and pricing for SSO customers.

On April 13, 2012, FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities filed an additional ESP with the PUCO that included a stipulation agreed to by various parties – Case No. 12-1230-EL-SSO. The stipulation extends the use of a competitive bidding process to establish generation supply and pricing for SSO customers for the period June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2016. On July 18, the PUCO issued an Opinion and Order that ordered the stipulation, as modified by the PUCO, be adopted and approved.

Applications for rehearing of the PUCO's July 18 Opinion and Order were filed on August 17, 2012. On January 30, 2013 the applications for rehearing were denied by the PUCO. On March 29 and April 1, 2013 appeals of the PUCO's entry denying the applications for rehearing were filed with the Supreme Court of Ohio. The case is currently pending.

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Certain information may be subject to modification and approval by the PUCO.

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#### **Communications**

## Central source of information is the Auction Information Website: <a href="https://www.firstenergyCBP.com">www.firstenergyCBP.com</a> or <a href="https://www.firstenergycbp.com">www.firstenergycbp.com</a> (case not important)

- Documents CBP participation documents, load data, etc.
- Calendar
- Results from previous CBP auctions
- News
- FAQ
- Ask submit a question
- About links to background information
- Registration register to receive future notifications

#### **Communications Protocols (available on Information Website)**

- Promote a fair, open, transparent, objective, and non-discriminatory CBP
- CBP Manager is the communication point for prospective bidders
- Information is distributed and disseminated equally and fairly to all prospective bidders

Full requirements service for SSO Customers of the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities excludes load being served by a CRES Supplier and load associated with PIPP customers but includes:

- Energy
- Capacity
- Market-based transmission services
- Market-based transmission ancillaries
- Any other LSE service or other service as may be required by PJM to serve the SSO Load of the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities except those listed in Section 2.3 of the Master SSO Supply Agreement

#### Winning bidders will be responsible at their sole cost and expense for:

- Any changes in PJM products and pricing during the contract term
- Any congestion costs incurred to supply its SSO share
- Remaining a member in good standing of PJM

Each SSO Supplier shall be responsible and liable to PJM for the performance of its LSE obligations associated with the provisions of SSO Supply

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#### SSO Suppliers will be obligated under the Master SSO Supply Agreement to

- Deliver full requirements service of the slice of system of the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities for purposes of meeting SSO Load
- Assume specified LSE obligations for purposes of PJM settlement

#### SSO Suppliers will not be obligated to provide

- Distribution services
- Alternative or renewable energy requirements

#### SSO Load will be divided into identical units called tranches

- Each tranche represents one percent (1%) of the actual hourly energy required for SSO Load for the applicable Delivery Period as well as one percent (1%) of the PJM capacity requirement for the applicable Delivery Period
- Intent is to procure 100 tranches for each delivery period over multiple CBP auctions

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Table below shows the tentative, nominal MW quantity associated with the energy obligation and the capacity obligation for each tranche based on historical data

Number of		Energy O	bligation	Capacity (	Obligation
Tranches Per Delivery Period	Size of Tranche (%)	Peak Load Share (MW)	MW-Measure of Tranche	Peak Load Share (MW)	MW-Measure of Tranche
100	1%	11,500	115	13,000	130

The energy obligation quantity is not necessarily indicative of the actual energy quantity to be delivered for each tranche because the amount of actual SSO Load during the Delivery Period will depend upon many factors, including but not limited to customer migration to CRES Suppliers and weather conditions

Bidders are responsible for evaluating the uncertainty associated with supplying a wholesale energy tranche which could vary each hour from the nominal 115 MW of maximum hourly energy for the delivery period shown in the table

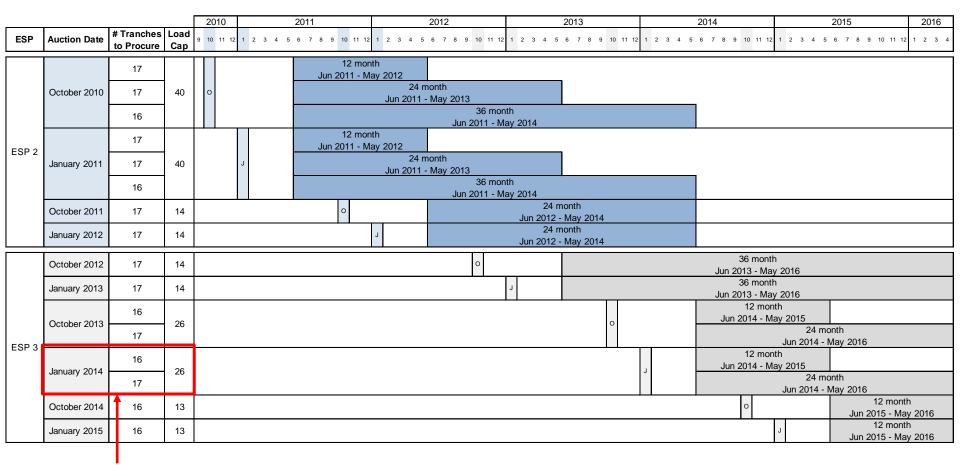
The capacity obligation estimate associated with the Peak Load Share quantity to be delivered for each tranche also is shown in the table

These values are provided for reference purposes only and may be updated prior to the auction as explained in the Bidding Rules

The FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities do not represent that each tranche will have the loads shown above or any particular MW value – the actual SSO Load during the Delivery Period will depend upon many factors

#### **ESP Procurements Schedule**

#### **FEOU ESP CBP Schedule**



**Next Auction** 

#### **Minimum and Maximum Starting Prices**

## Prior to the auction, the CBP Manager will announce a minimum and maximum starting price range for each auctioned product

 As part of the application process, Qualified Bidders submit indicative offers based on the minimum and maximum starting prices which will be used to determine the Bidder's initial eligibility in the auction

## The CBP Manager may determine that due to extraordinary events, the minimum or maximum starting prices require revision

- If indicative offers have already been received, the CBP Manager will request that the Registered Bidders (or the Qualified Bidders if the Part 2 Application process has not been completed) modify their indicative offers on the basis of the revised minimum starting prices and the revised maximum starting prices
- Such an event also may require a revision to the schedule for the CBP auction

No later than three (3) business days before bidding starts, the CBP Manager will inform Registered Bidders of the starting prices for round 1

#### **Overview**

## Part 1 Application: Prospective bidders apply to become Qualified Bidders

- Start Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2013
- Due Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 12:00 noon ET

# Part 2 Application: Each Qualified Bidder provides certifications, its indicative offer, and pre-bid security in order to become a Registered Bidder

- Start Date: Tuesday, December 17, 2013
- Due Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014, 12:00 noon ET

#### Only Registered Bidders can participate in the bidding

NOTE: Prospective bidders will be able to fill out, submit, and upload their supporting documentation for the Part 1 and Part 2 Applications on-line through the secure Online Application Website

#### Part 1 Application – Due Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 12:00 noon ET

#### Submit an application from a person with the power to bind the bidder and agree to:

- Comply with all rules of the auction
- If they become winning bidders, they will execute the Master SSO Supply Agreement with the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities

## Show that they either satisfy the three requirements below, or have no existing impediments to them satisfying all the requirements by the start of the supply period

- Transmission Customer of PJM and have executed the applicable PJM Agreements
- Have PJM E-Accounts necessary to provide SSO Supply
- PJM Market Participant and a Load Serving Entity in PJM

## Agree that if they become winning bidders, they will comply with the creditworthiness requirements set forth in the Master SSO Supply Agreement

#### Certify that if they qualify to participate, they will not:

- Disclose information regarding the list of Qualified Bidders
- Disclose confidential information about Qualified Bidders obtained during the bidding process
- Substitute another entity in their place
- Transfer their rights to another entity
- Otherwise assign their status as Qualified Bidders to another entity

Part 1 Application (continued)

A prospective bidder that has qualified during the Part 1 Application process becomes a Qualified Bidder

CBP Manager will send a list of all Qualified Bidders to relevant parties that have undertaken to maintain the confidentiality of the list of Qualified Bidders – relevant parties that will receive this list of Qualified Bidders are:

- Each Qualified Bidder
- Other parties as necessary to oversee the proper conduct of the auction, including representatives from the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities, PUCO Staff, and the advisor that PUCO Staff has retained for this purpose

All parties receiving a list of Qualified Bidders will be subject to the confidentiality requirements as specified in the Bidding Rules and in the Communications Protocols

Part 1 Applicant also must submit financial information and Draft Pre-Bid Letter of Credit, Draft Letter of Intent, and/or Draft Letter of Reference (described later)

Prospective bidders will be notified by the CBP Manager no later than three (3) business days after the Part 1 Application Due Date whether they succeeded in becoming a Qualified Bidder

Part 1 Application (continued)

#### Part 1 Applications can be submitted online

- The Part 1 Application process opens on Wednesday, November 13, 2013
- Due Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 12:00 noon ET

#### Two types of participants:

- Previously Qualified Bidders i.e., who had a successful Part 1 Application leading up to the October 2013 auction
- Other, new prospective bidders for the January 2014 auction

## Applicants must submit a new Part 1 Application at least once per year to participate in FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities' CBP auctions

- All new applicants that wish to participate in the January 2014 CBP auction must complete a new Part 1 Application
- Previously Qualified Bidders from the October 2013 CBP auction can re-use their Part 1 Application for the January 2014 CBP auction

#### Part 1 Application – Account Request Form

FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities' Competitive Bidding Process

#### Account Request Form: Request for Part 1 and Part 2 Application Online Account

With access to an Online Account for the Part 1 Application and Part 2 Application process, a prospective bidder will be able to submit and check the status of their Part 1 Application and Part 2 Application as well as upload supporting documentation.

To open an Online Account please fill in the following information:

Company Name:	Date:	
		MM/DD/YYYY

Please provide the First Name, Last Name, and E-mail Address for every person that you request to be given access to your online Application. Each person listed below will receive a unique username and password combination that they will be able to use to login to the online application of the Company named above.

	First Name	Last Name	E-mail Address
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#### Part 1 Application – Previously Qualified Bidders

## Around November 12, CBP Manager will email your Authorized Representative with two attachments:

- Account Request Form (see example above) used for previous Part 1 Application to confirm which
  persons are allowed to access the Online Account
- New form with 3 checkboxes for those with successful Part 1 Applications from the October 2013 auction:
  - I will not participate in the January 2014 auction
  - I, Applicant, may participate in the January 2014 auction but do not need to make changes to my Part 1 Application in effect for the October 2013 auction
  - I, Applicant, may participate in the January 2014 auction but do need/want to make changes to my Part 1 Application in effect for the October 2013 auction (we will need to unlock your online Application)

(note that at least some previously Qualified Bidders likely will need to make changes to their Part 1 Application due to more recent quarterly financial data becoming available)

To access your prior Part 1 Application, log in to your existing online account using the same Website address and login credentials as you used before – if forgotten, send an email to <a href="mailto:cbpmanager@crai.com">cbpmanager@crai.com</a>

Decide whether you need/want to make changes

Proposed changes to credit documents – to be emailed to the CBP Manager – are not considered a change to your Part 1 Application itself (but are due by the Part 1 Application Due Date)

Part 1 Application – New Prospective Bidders

Complete the Account Request Form (see example on prior slide) and email it to <a href="mailto:cbpmanager@crai.com">cbpmanager@crai.com</a>

Account Request Form is available on Information Website <a href="https://www.firstenergycbp.com">www.firstenergycbp.com</a> on Home page under "Forms"

Part 2 Application – Due Tuesday, January 14, 2014, 12:00 noon ET

Qualified Bidders from the Part 1 Application process submit a Part 2 Application to become Registered Bidders

The Part 2 Application process opens on Tuesday, December 17, 2013

Due Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014, 12:00 noon ET

In the Part 2 Application, each Qualified Bidder will make a number of certifications regarding associations to ensure that they are participating independently of other Qualified Bidders and to ensure the confidentiality of information regarding the auction

A Qualified Bidder is associated with another Qualified Bidder if the two bidders have ties that could allow them to act in concert or that could prevent them from competing actively against each other

#### Part 2 Application (continued)

With its Part 2 Application, a Qualified Bidder will be required to submit an indicative offer – two (2) numbers of tranches for each product in the auction – and to post prebid security sufficient for this indicative offer

- First number is the number of tranches that the Qualified Bidder is willing to serve at the minimum starting price for a product in the auction
- Second number is the number of tranches that the Qualified Bidder is willing to serve at the maximum starting price for a product in the auction
- At the minimum and the maximum starting prices, the number of tranches indicated by the Qualified Bidder cannot exceed the Qualified Bidder's credit-based and/or load tranche caps (described later)

#### Bidder's initial eligibility

- This is the maximum total number of tranches the Qualified Bidder can bid across both products in round 1 of the auction and may be subject to a load cap
- Determined by the number of tranches in the Qualified Bidder's indicative offer across both products at the maximum starting prices
- Thus, the indicative offer at the maximum starting prices needs to state the maximum possible number of tranches that the bidder would be ready, willing, and able to serve

Qualified Bidders will be notified by the CBP Manager no later than three (3) business days after the Part 2 Application Due Date whether they succeeded in becoming a Registered Bidder

#### **Required Credit and Financial Information**

#### For bidder or bidder's Guarantor:

- Financial statements (most recently issued SEC Form 10-K, 10-Q, 8-K)
- A statement of rulings or judgments relating to financial status that have had a material impact on financial status
- A debt rating from at least one of the following rating agencies: S&P,
  Fitch, or Moody's (with supporting documentation) tranche limits apply to
  potential participants that are not rated
- <u>Contact information</u> for the Bidder's/Guarantor's credit representative to answer questions on the documentation provided

#### **Credit-Based and Load Tranche Caps**

These tranche caps limit the bidder's initial eligibility – i.e., maximum number of tranches the Qualified Bidder is allowed to bid on in round 1 across both products

## Credit-Based tranche cap is based on the credit rating of the Qualified Bidder or its Guarantor – Qualified Bidder or Guarantor must:

- Be rated by at least one of the following rating agencies: Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("S&P"), Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"), or Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch")
- For Qualified Bidder not rated by any of the rating agencies, the credit-based tranche cap is 6 tranches

## Load cap is a percentage of load aggregated across both products for each auction date

- The PUCO has ordered a load cap of 80 percent
  - Load cap = 26 tranches (tranche target across both products = 33 tranches)
- No bidder may bid on and win more tranches than the load cap
- The load cap is enforced by ensuring that each bidder's initial eligibility does not exceed the load cap in an auction
- No two or more associated bidders may bid on and win more tranches than the load cap

#### **Pre-Bid Security – 3 Options**

- Seek an unsecured line of credit by relying on Bidder's own financial standing
  - Part 1: Submit a Draft Pre-Bid Letter of Credit (LOC)
  - Part 2: Submit an executed Pre-Bid LOC or cash deposit (\$500,000/tranche)
- 2) Seek an unsecured line of credit by relying on Guarantor's financial standing
  - Part 1: Submit a Draft Pre-Bid LOC and a Draft Letter of Intent to Provide a Guaranty
  - Part 2: Submit an executed Pre-Bid LOC or cash deposit (\$500,000/tranche); and Submit a Letter of Intent to Provide a Guaranty (\$1,000,000/tranche)
- 3) Not qualified or elect not to apply for an unsecured line of credit
  - Part 1: Submit a Draft Pre-Bid LOC and a Draft Letter of Reference
  - Part 2: Submit an executed Pre-Bid LOC or cash deposit (\$500,000/tranche); and Submit a Letter of Reference (\$1,000,000/tranche)

Master SSO Supply Agreement – Key Elements of Credit Provisions

## Security posted during the term of the SSO Delivery Period will depend upon a creditworthiness evaluation

- Unsecured credit may be granted based on the Supplier's (or its Guarantor's)
   Tangible Net Worth and credit rating (see Sections 6.4 and 6.6 of Master SSO Supply Agreement)
  - FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities reserve the right to apply any unsecured credit limits across associated bidders in cases where multiple associated parties seek to participate as independent bidders
- Total Exposure Amount less any unsecured credit (Margin) must be met with cash or Letter of Credit (Appendix D of Master SSO Supply Agreement)
- Margin could be met with either cash or Letter of Credit

#### Independent Credit Requirement (ICR)

- \$1,000,000/tranche for 12-month product, \$1,500,000/tranche for 24-month product
- ICR declines over the term of the Master SSO Supply Agreement

#### Letter of Credit (Appendix D of Master SSO Supply Agreement)

#### **Guaranty (Appendix E of Master SSO Supply Agreement)**

#### **Information Website**

#### www.firstenergycbp.com

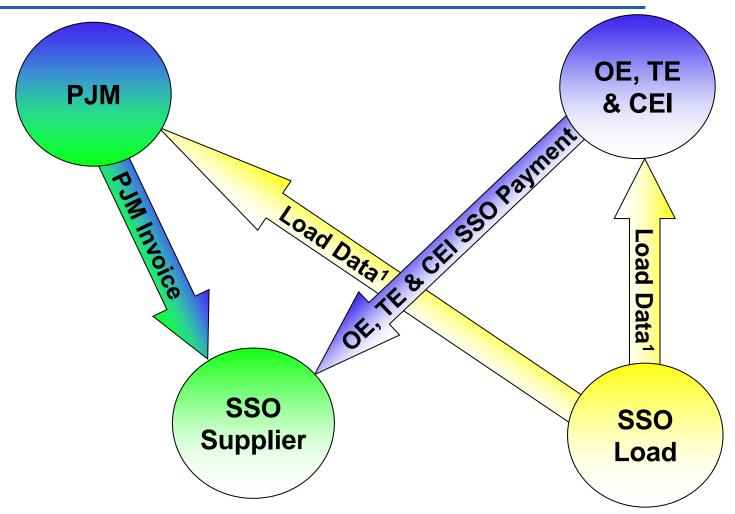
#### Information Website for the CBP Process is www.firstenergycbp.com

- Information about the CBP
- Download Supplier documents (Master SSO Supply Agreement, Bidding Rules, etc.)
- Download load and other data
- Auction calendar
- Results from prior FEOU CBP auctions
- News and announcements
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Register to receive updates
- Submit questions
- Information about FirstEnergy, CRA International, PJM, the ESP

#### **Register on the Information Website**

- Register to receive information updates regarding CBP provide name, company name, valid email address
- Once registered, prospective bidders can submit questions

#### **Settlement Landscape**



1. Load data are developed by the Meter Data Coordinator as designated on the Market Participant's application. The Meter Data Coordinator uses the same PJM settlement data to calculate the SSO Invoice as well as to submit the settlement data to PJM.

#### The Role of RTO Operations Settlements at FEOU

#### Acts as the Meter Data Coordinator for SSO Suppliers

- Submits load data to PJM for generation of Invoices
  - Primary and Secondary data
  - Re-Settlement periods as well
- SSO Load split by tranches won in Delivery Period

#### Uses PJM settlement load data to develop the SSO Invoices

- Primary and Secondary data are used for Final Monthly Energy Allocation (FMEA) and Preliminary Monthly Energy Allocation (PMEA)
- Spreadsheet format
- Emailed
- Based on tranches awarded in SSO procurement process

**Example: SSO Service for an SSO Supplier** 

<u>FirstE</u>	nergy	<b>/</b> ⊗					
Billing Month Company Name	March XXXXXXXX						
Billing Item	OE	CE	TE	Total	Seasonal Factor	Price	Charge
Primary	9,803,454	7,153,871	3,424,075	20,381,400	0.9581	\$ 61.50	\$ 1,200,936.29
Secondary	(284,776)	325,426	501,050	541,700	0.9581	\$ 61.50	\$ 31,918.67
Other Adjustments	_			-			
Total	9,518,678	7,479,297	3,925,125	20,923,100			\$ 1,232,854.96

**Example: Invoice From PJM** 



PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. 955 Jefferson Avenue Valley Forge Corporate Center Norristown, PA 19403-2497

CUSTOMER ACCOUNT:

**CUSTOMER IDENTIFIERS:** 

FINAL BILLING STATEMENT ISSUED:

BILLING PERIOD:

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Total

Total Net Credit to You. Please Do Not Pay

\$216,585.51

TERMS: PAYABLE IN FULL BY 01:00 PM EPT ON

WIRE TRANSFER FUNDS TO: PJM INTERCONNECTION, L.L.C.

PNC BANK N.A. NEW JERSEY

ABA NUMBER 031207607

ACCOUNT NUMBER - 8013589834

PJM WIRE TRANSFER CONTACT: Molly Lynch (610) 666-8876

PJM MEMBER RELATIONS CONTACT INFO: cusserve@pjm.com (866) 400-8980

PJM MARKET SETTLEMENTS CONTACT INFO: mrkt\_settlement\_ops@pjm.com (610) 666-8825

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#### **Clock Format**

#### Bidders bid using CBP Manager's Bidding Website

#### Multiple-round, multiple-product, descending-price clock format

- Each round has specified start and end times
- For each product, the price for the next round is announced ("announced price") price falls round to round
- Round opens and each bidder submits the number of tranches of each product it is willing to supply at the product's announced price
- Round closes
  - If the total number of tranches bid > tranche target for any product, then announced price for that product will be reduced for the next round by a price decrement (typically 0.5% to 5%)
  - If the total number of tranches bid ≤ tranche target for any product, then
    the announced price for that product will remain unchanged for the next round
- Round results are reported prior to the start of next round

#### **Bidder's Eligibility**

#### Bidder's eligibility

- This is the maximum number of tranches the bidder can bid in a round
- Bidder's eligibility for a round is the total number of tranches the bidder bid in the preceding round
- Thus, bidder's eligibility cannot increase during auction only stays the same or declines

#### **Reservation Prices and Starting Prices**

#### There is a reservation price for each product

- No tranche for a product will be procured at a price that is above the reservation price for the product
- Reservation prices will not be disclosed to bidders

#### Starting price for each product = announced price for round 1

- Announced no later than three (3) business days before bidding starts
- No lower than the product's minimum starting price; no higher than its maximum starting price
- Starting price ≥ reservation price

#### **Default Bid**

#### Default bid for a bidder:

- If bidder entered round with positive eligibility but fails to submit a confirmed bid in the round, then default bid will be submitted on behalf of the bidder
  - Products for which the announced price decreased from the preceding round – the default bid will equal zero (0) tranches
  - Products for which the announced price did not decrease from the preceding round – the default bid will equal the accepted number of tranches from the preceding round
- A bidder with zero (0) tranches across both products will not be able to submit any more bids in the auction

#### **Discretion to Reduce Tranche Targets**

#### Discretion to reduce tranche targets (# tranches to procure)

- If there is insufficient supply bid for the tranches to ensure competitive bidding,
   CBP Manager may reduce the tranche targets
  - The criteria that could lead to such a reduction will be determined prior to the auction but will not be announced
  - Once certain pre-specified criteria related to excess supply and related to the reservation prices have been met, the discretion to reduce the tranche targets will be eliminated and there will be no reduction in the tranche targets
  - Any exercise of this discretion would be more likely in the earlier rounds of the auction
- If the CBP Manager reduces tranche targets for the auction, bidders will be informed of the revised tranche targets

**Subscription State = Measurement of Excess Supply** 

At the end of each round, a product is over-subscribed (excess supply > 0), subscribed (excess supply = 0), or under-subscribed (excess supply < 0)

#### Excess supply = # of tranches bid – tranche target

- 1) If excess supply > 0: Price for the product is reduced by a price decrement and the auction will continue with the next round.
- 2) If excess supply = 0: Price for the product will remain unchanged. Bidders who bid on the product will not be able to reduce their tranches bid on the product in the next round of the auction.
- 3) If excess supply < 0 and no bidders reduced the number of tranches they bid on the product: Price for the product will remain unchanged. Bidders who bid on the product will not be able to reduce their tranches bid on the product in the next round of the auction.
- 4) If excess supply < 0 and one or more bidders reduced the number of tranches they bid on the product: Consequences are the same as case #3, and also a rollback will be applied to the product.

#### Rollback

## When there is excess supply for a product at the end of round R, the announced price will decline for the round R+1

- In round R+1, bidders are free to reduce the tranches bid for the product either by switching tranches from the product to another product, and/or by reducing the total tranches bid across both products
- Products that were over-supplied in round R and that are under-supplied in round R+1 (excess supply < 0) are subject to a rollback following round R+1</li>

# The rollback process following round R+1 retains sufficient number of tranches that were bid on the product in round R such that excess supply for the product following round R+1 equals zero

- Tranches rolled back are selected at random from the tranches reduced or switched from round R to round R+1
- The price associated with rolled back tranches is the round R price (the price at which the tranches were bid) – i.e., a price higher than the round R+1 price
- Only tranches that were both bid on a product in round R and not bid on the product in round R+1 are subject to a possible rollback
- Even after a rollback, the total number of tranches accepted for a bidder across both products will be no greater than the total number of tranches the bidder bid in round R

#### Illustrative Example – Single Product

	Illustrative Bidding in an Auction (single-product example)							
7				of Tranches Bid				
Round	Tranche Target	Price (\$/MWh)	BidderA	BidderB	BidderC	BidderD	Total	
1	100	\$75.00	34	55	21	72	182	
2	100	\$70.00	30	55	15	50	150	
3	100	\$66.00	20	52	10	45	127	
4	100	\$62.00	15	48	0	44	107	
5	100	\$59.50	0	48	_	42	90	

The auction will conclude after round 5 because excess supply for the product was no longer positive. In the round, only 90 tranches of supply were bid against 100 tranches being procured. Negative excess supply triggers a rollback of 10 tranches.

**BidderA** bid 15 tranches at \$62.00/MWh in round 4 and 0 tranches at \$59.50/MWh in round 5. Because BidderA reduced its bid, it is subject to a rollback of up to 10 tranches.

<u>BidderB</u> bid 48 tranches in rounds 4 and 5. Because BidderB did not reduce, it is not subject to a rollback. BidderB wins 48 tranches at the clearing price.

**BidderC** bid 0 tranches at \$62.00/MWh in round 4 and is not subject to any rollback.

**BidderD** bid 44 tranches at \$62.00/MWh in round 4 and 42 tranches at \$59.50/MWh in round 5. BidderD is subject to a rollback of up to 2 tranches.

Rollback Results							
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Round	Price (\$/MWh)	BidderA	BidderB	BidderD			
4	\$62.00	15	48	44			
5	\$59.50	0	48	42			
Rollback	\$62.00	9	0	1			
Winning \$62.00 9 48 43							
Clearing price for all 100 tranches won = \$62.00							

#### Winning Tranches, Bidders, and Prices

#### If Excess Supply = 0 for all products at end of a round

- Winning tranches are the tranches bid in the last round of the auction
- Winning bidders are the bidders who bid those tranches
- Uniform pricing: Price to be paid for winning tranches for a product will be the highest price for any tranche in the product's bid stack

#### If Excess Supply ≤ 0 for all products at the end of a round

- There will be a rollback for all products with excess supply < 0</li>
- There will be no rollback for products with excess supply = 0
- Uniform pricing: Price to be paid for winning tranches for a product will be the highest price for any tranche in the product's bid stack

#### Note: In all cases, a product's bid stack has at most two prices

- If the bid stack has rolled-back tranches, then there are two prices in the bid stack the most recent (i.e., lower) announced price and the next-most recent (i.e., higher) announced price
- If the bid stack does not have rolled-back tranches, then there is only one price in the bid stack – the most recent announced price

#### Close of the Auction

## Shortly after the last round of the auction, results are confirmed by the CBP Manager, then:

- CBP Manager provides to the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities, the PUCO, and the PUCO advisor the identity of winning bidders, the number of tranches won by each winning bidder, and the prices for the tranches won
- CBP Manager notifies:
  - Each winning bidder of how many tranches the bidder has won and at what prices
  - Each unsuccessful bidder that the bidder has not won any tranches
- The PUCO will have 48 hours after the conclusion of the auction to determine if there
  has been a violation of the CBP bidding rules in such a manner as to invalidate the
  auction based upon an assessment from CRA and the PUCO's advisor

## FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities and winning bidders will execute the Master SSO Supply Agreement

#### **Contingency Plan**

#### **Contingency Plan of the FirstEnergy Ohio Utilities**

- See Section 11 of the Bidding Rules
  - If fewer tranches than the tranche target are purchased in the auction
  - If a winning bidder defaults prior to or during the SSO Delivery Period

#### **Technical Difficulties During the Auction**

- Unforeseen technical difficulties may happen during an online auction
- Pursuant to the auction rules, if a technical difficulty occurs during the auction, depending on the circumstances the Auction Manager will:
  - Inform all the bidders as soon as possible, by phone and/or Auction Manager Message page on the Bidding Website
  - Accept bids using the Backup Bidding Fax Number
  - Extend the duration of bidding round(s), extend the time between bidding round(s), or otherwise pause the auction

### **Timeline for Next CBP Auction**

Timeline for January 2014 Auction				
Activity	Date			
WebEx Information Session	Thursday, November 07, 2013			
Deadline: CRA announces tranche targets and tranche size (% and MW)	Wednesday, November 13, 2013			
Part 1 Applications can be submitted	Wednesday, November 13, 2013			
Deadline to submit Part 1 Applications	Wednesday, December 04, 2013			
Deadline: CRA announces minimum and maximum starting prices	Tuesday, December 17, 2013			
Part 2 Applications can be submitted	Tuesday, December 17, 2013			
Deadline: CRA announces any update to the tranche size (MW)	Wednesday, January 08, 2014			
Deadline to submit Part 2 Applications	Tuesday, January 14, 2014			
Bidder User Manuals Distributed	Tuesday, January 21, 2014			
Mock Auction for Registered Bidders	Thursday, January 23, 2014			
Deadline: CRA announces starting prices to Registered Bidders	Thursday, January 23, 2014			
Auction for Registered Bidders	Tuesday, January 28, 2014			
CRA notifies Companies and PUCO of results (tentative)	Tuesday, January 28, 2014			
Master SSO Supply Agreements Signed (tentative)	Friday, January 31, 2014			
Power Flow	Sunday, June 01, 2014			

### Q&As

#### Please do NOT identify yourself if you have a question

#### Following the prepared presentation

- Questions received and queued during the prepared presentation will be answered in the following order:
  - WebEx chat room
  - Email
  - Verbal (to enter the queue, notify the operator)
- After questions sent via "chat room" and emails are answered, the phone line will be opened for callers interested in asking questions verbally
- The operator will introduce callers using an assigned port number
- Callers should NOT identify themselves when asking questions

## Q&As raised during this bidder information session will be posted on the Auction Information Website

#### Thank you for your interest in the CBP