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14.	Is the intent of the RFP to make a single award of \$ 1 million? I understand that the proposal can have sub-projects that have a sum budget of \$1 million, but if a proposal has a total budget of \$500,000 it will not be considered for funding? When will the award be announced? Would 10 projects that were individually eligible for the existing C&I solar rebate program bundled into one umbrella project that had a combined budget of \$1 million be eligible under the RFP?	No. A proposal may have any budget, with up to \$1 million in funding requested (and assuming all other eligibility criteria have been met) to be considered for funding. The awards will be announced when the Proposal Selection Process described on pp. 5-6 of the RFP is complete and that, in part, depends on the quantity and quality of responses to RFP. No, unless the project was infeasible without the bundling and thereby ineligible for the rebate program.
16.	I was hoping someone could provide me with a little more information regarding the PUC's RFP for renewable energy projects. Are there any potential sites/ hosts for a solar array in mind?	No, although projects placed in locations that may result in a reduction in peak load in New Hampshire, and the potential of a project to defer or eliminate local utility distribution plant expenditures will be considered in the final award determinations.

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17.	From reading what you have published a solar array that generates over 100K of power on a school building served by a COOP account would qualify for this funding. If this is correct here is my question: Could the project be a scattered site project (arrays on two separate buildings in a school district both with COOP accounts) so that the total KW generation of both building arrays is over 100K? For example could one array on one building (a school) produce 60,000 KW and another array on another school district building (another school) produce 55,000KW for a project total of 115,000 KW? Or, must the full 100,000+KW go through one meter on one building? The reasoning behind this approach is that one building alone doesn't use the full 100,000KW but the school district (the industrial/non-profit/municipal "entity") most definitely uses this amount.	If the project is greater than 100 KW in capacity it would qualify under this RFP. If it is less than 100 KW, then it would not qualify for funding under this RFP because it would qualify under the C&I rebate program. Please refer to the recent secretarial letter that clarifies what qualifies which projects qualify for the existing C&I rebate program, which can be found at http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2010/10-212.htm . Generally each physically distinct system (such as those with separate metering) would qualify as a separate project and if under 100 kW would qualify for rebates (up to \$200,000 per owner) under the existing C&I rebate program and thus would not qualify under this RFP.
18.	Does an existing FERC licensed, 300 KW industrial hydroelectric facility, operating since 1925, with no upstream or downstream fish passages, qualify for this RFP?	Yes, if the proposed project otherwise meets the RFP eligibility requirements and will increase the supply of NH qualified Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)

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19.	I have two questions regarding the RFP due May 3rd.	
	1) One of the requirements is that these projects must increase the supply of NH RECs - does this mean simply that by generating renewable energy we will be increasing the supply of the NH RECs - or is it more complicated than this.	Yes, assuming that the project will be eligible to be certified to produce RECs under the NH RPS law, RSA 362-F—it is not more complicated than that.
	2) Are we meant to fill out and include Attachments A, B and C? Attachment B is a scoring table - are we meant to score ourselves? Attachment C looks like it outlines the contract.	No, you are not meant to score yourself. Please fill out Attachment A only.