

## QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

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### RFP – Power System Modeling and Long-term Planning – Barqi Tojik (Tajikistan)

**QUESTION:** Has USEA established a budget ceiling for this project?

**ANSWER:** No, no award ceiling has been established for this project. Bidders should submit their best financial offers.

**QUESTION:** Is this RFP open to all or only to US consultants?

**ANSWER:** This competition is open to U.S. **and** international consultants with the exception of those who are subject to OFAC regulations (<https://sanctionssearch.ofac.treas.gov/>) and those who are barred from working with the U.S. Government (a full list can be found on the System for Award Management, <https://sam.gov/SAM/>).

**QUESTION:** We are considering submitting a proposal with another company as our subcontractor. We have a DUNS number and active SAM registration. Will that arrangement be acceptable?

**ANSWER:** Yes. Only the signatory to the subcontract agreement with USEA must have current SAM registration.

**QUESTION:** Will screen shots of our DUNS and SAM accounts be considered sufficient proof?

**ANSWER:** Please ensure that your DUNS number is included in the cover letter, no other proof is necessary. A screen shot of your SAM registration will be sufficient.

**QUESTION:** The RFP states that “Training sessions and webinars shall be delivered in the Russian language.” Is simultaneous translation an option or will Russian-speaking trainers be required?

**ANSWER:** Simultaneous translation is an acceptable option. Please ensure that simultaneous translation costs are included in your financial offer.

**QUESTION:** Will the base case static model of the transmission grid of Barqi Tojik in PowerFactory be provided for the winning bidder? If this is the case, should this model be updated by any actual/additional/collected data or should the base case model be considered complete and any model refining work considered out of the scope of this project?

**ANSWER:** Yes, the base case static model will be provided and will need to be updated.

**QUESTION:** What voltage levels of networks should be considered in the target dynamic and prospective models? Should we only consider 110-500kV networks or should 350kV network also be included?

**ANSWER:** The models will include both 110-500kV networks and 350kV networks.

**QUESTION:** Barqi Tojik is expected to be reconnected to the CAPS in 2022. Should the prospective model of the Barqi Tojik network (for 5- and 10-years horizons) be developed as an autonomous network (for island operation) or should it be integrated into the CAPS dynamic model? Will the CAPS dynamic model be provided?

**ANSWER:** The Barqi Tojik model will be developed in an integrated mode. A limited CAPS model will be provided.