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U.S. Department of Energy Technical Support for Solar Projects and County of Los Angeles RFP for Renewable Energy Consultant

United States Department of Energy's Notice of Opportunity for Technical Assistance for Solar Energy Projects

The U. S. Department of Energy ("DOE") has issued a Notice of Opportunity for Technical Assistance ("NOTA") to support the goals of its Solar America Initiative ("SAI"). Under the provisions of the NOTA, the DOE will provide technical assistance to large-scale, high-visibility solar installation projects that have the ability to impact the market for solar technologies through large project size (capacity of 250 kW or greater), use of a novel solar technology and/or use of a novel application for a solar technology. A project may include multiple sites, which do not have to be co-located. The DOE desires that the projects be replicable or have replicable components, and emphasis will be on projects and activities with the greatest potential to assist the DOE in reaching its SAI goal by 2015.

The SAI is a DOE effort to make solar electricity from photovoltaics (PV) cost-competitive with conventional forms of electricity from the utility grid by 2015. The strategy pursues complementary activities in research and development (R&D) and in market transformation. The goals are to reduce costs through R&D and to eliminate market barriers through deployment. The SAI partners with industry, universities, state governments, federal agencies and other non-governmental agencies. The intent of the SAI is to benefit the nation by boosting the economy by creating a U.S.-based solar industry, increasing energy security by diversifying the nation's electricity portfolio, decreasing the effect of power outages on cities, and reducing the impact on the environment of power generation from fossil fuels, nuclear energy, and natural gas.

Submission deadline: 3/31/09

Request for Proposals From the County of Los Angeles
Community Development Commission for Whiteside

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Sustainable/Renewable Energy Incubator Feasibility Study

The Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (Commission), is accepting proposals from consultants to perform a sustainable/renewable energy incubator feasibility study for Whiteside, a community in unincorporated Los Angeles County. The study will evaluate Whiteside's market potential to absorb a sustainable/renewable energy technology business incubator focused on generating new high skill, high wage jobs. The evaluation will include furnishing all labor, material and equipment, and performing all work necessary and incidental in accordance with the Commission's Statement of Work and contract documents. The Commission will award one-year contracts with the option of four (4), one-year extensions, provided services are satisfactory and funds are available. Proposers are encouraged to attend a Pre-Proposal Meeting at the Community Development Commission located at 2 Coral Circle, Monterey Park, CA 91755 on March 17, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.

RFP issued: March 4, 2009

Pre-Proposal Meeting: March 17, 2009, 10:30 a.m.

Response Due: March 30, 2009, 4:00 p.m.

If you are interested in receiving a copy of the full solicitations or have questions regarding these or other opportunities, please contact Patrick Perry, Emily Murray or Kaylynn Kim. We are land use attorneys at Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP, a law firm in Los Angeles. Our practice includes assisting renewable energy clients with all aspects of their business, from siting and permitting, to compliance and litigation. To that end, we thought your company may be interested in these renewable energy opportunities. You can also obtain a copy of the DOE's NOTA at this link and a copy of the County of Los Angeles Community Development Commission's Whiteside RFP at this link. Please contact us if you have any questions. We would also be happy to tell you more about our renewable energy practice and expertise.

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