

#### **DELIVERED BY EMAIL**

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April 4, 2023

Ms. Sharon Schroder Managing Director Regulatory Affairs AES Ohio 1065 Woodman Drive Dayton, OH 45432

Re: Notification of CBP Auction Results

Dear Ms. Schroder:

This is to inform you that we have confirmed the results of the Competitive Bidding Process Auction ("Auction") to procure supply for Standard Service Offer (SSO) customers of AES Ohio (the "Company"). The Auction began on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 and concluded the same day.

There are three tables attached to this letter.

- Table 1 summarizes the results of the Auction.
- Table 2 shows the number of tranches won for each winning bidder.
- Table 3 provides the Auction Manager's assessment of the conduct of the Auction.

In accordance with the Bidding Rules, winning bidders will be contacted directly by the Company to execute the Master SSO Supply Agreement no later than three (3) business days following the close of the Auction.

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Sincerely yours,

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Robert J. Lee Vice President

CC:

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**Table 1. Summary of SSO Auction Results** 

		Delivery Period	
		June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024	June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2025
Number of Registered Bidders	6		
Total initial eligibility of Registered Bidders (# tranches)			
Total initial eligibility divided by tranche target			
Number of bidders that submitted bids in round 1			
Number of tranches bid in round 1			
Number of tranches bid in round 1 divided by tranche target			
Number of tranches to procure in auction (tranche target)	65	25	40
Number of tranches procured in auction	65	25	40
Number of rounds in the auction	11		
Number of winning bidders	6	4	5
Starting price range (\$/MWh)		\$90 to \$120 per MWh	\$90 to \$120 per MWh
Starting price (\$/MWh)			
Clearing price (\$/MWh)		\$83.21 per MWh	\$90.14 per MWh

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Table 2. Winning Bidders and Tranches Won

	Number of Winning Tranches		
		Delivery Period	
Winning Bidder	Total	June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024	June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2025
TOTAL	65	25	40



Table 3. Auction Manager's Assessment of the Conduct of the Auction

	Question	
1	Were the competitive bidding rules violated?	
2	Does the Auction Manager believe the auction was open, fair, transparent, and competitive?	
3	Did bidders have sufficient information to prepare for the auction?	
4	Was the information generally provided to bidders in accordance with the published timetable? Was the timetable updated appropriately as needed?	
5	Were there any issues and questions left unresolved prior to the auction that created material uncertainty for bidders?	
6	Were there any procedural problems or errors with the auction, including the electronic bidding process, the back-up bidding process, and communications between bidders and the Auction Manager?	
7	Were protocols for communication between bidders and the Auction Manager adhered to?	
8	Were there any hardware or software problems or errors, either with the auction system or with its associated communications systems?	
9	Were there any unanticipated delays during the auction?	
10	Did unanticipated delays appear to adversely affect bidding in the auction?	
11	Were appropriate data back-up procedures planned and carried out?	
12	Were any security breaches observed with the auction process?	

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	Question	
13	Were protocols followed for communications among AES Ohio, the Auction Manager, the PUCO, and the PUCO's consultant during the auction?	
14	Were the protocols followed for decisions regarding changes in auction parameters (e.g., volume adjustments and price decrements)?	
15	Were the calculations (e.g., for price decrements or bidder eligibility) produced by the auction software double-checked or reproduced off-line by the Auction Manager?	
16	Was there evidence of confusion or misunderstanding on the part of bidders that delayed or impaired the auction?	
17	Were the communications between the Auction Manager and bidders timely and effective?	
18	Was there evidence that bidders felt unduly rushed during the process?	
19	Was there any evidence of collusion or improper coordination among bidders?	
20	Was there any evidence of anti-competitive behavior in the auction?	
21	Was information made public appropriately? Was confidential and sensitive information treated appropriately?	
22	Were there factors exogenous to the auction (e.g., changes in market environment) that materially affected the auction in unanticipated ways?	

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