**118494: Statewide Residential HVAC QI/QM Request for Abstract**

# Introduction

As part of San Diego Gas & Electric Company’s solicitation schedule and to comply with D.18.01.004, the Statewide Residential HVAC Sector’s program abstracts will be requested. This is the first stage of the solicitation process beginning in **October 2021**.

This Request for Abstract seeks qualified Bidders to propose, design, implement, and deliver an innovative Statewide HVAC Quality Installation and Quality Maintenance (QI/QM) program in the residential sector across all four California investor-owned utilities. The Program will be funded by the IOUs' "Market Support" segment of the EE program portfolios. The CPUC's cost-effectiveness threshold requirements do not apply to the Market Support segment. However, the IOUs encourage Bidders to propose a cost-efficient program design and delivery that maximizes program performance.

The Residential HVAC’s proposed program should increase residential customer awareness of their energy use and motivate them to take action. Although multiple aspects of other IOU programs include HVAC optimization elements, the focus for this specific effort should include interventions focusing on altering residential usage. These actions can consist of usage-based and/or equipment-based changes in behaviors and increased participation in existing and future energy efficiency or demand response programs.

If the bidder submits a successful abstract, the bidder will be invited to participate in the RFP.

Stage 1 is a Request for Abstract (“RFA”), and Stage 2 is a Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for organizations selected from Stage 1. The RFA will enable bidders (“Bidder” or “Contractor”) to provide sufficient information for the California Investor Owned Utilities (“IOUs”) to narrow down the selection to proceed to Stage 2, at which time we will issue a full RFP. It is not intended that Bidders prepare a detailed Abstract in Stage 1. Instead, it is important that Bidders should use the Abstract to provide enough information about the design, implementation and management of a proposed program, targeted market and customer segments, and overall program design and goals.

# Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of this RFA is to evaluate abstracts for program design and implementation services for the Statewide Residential HVAC QI/QM RFA. Key elements to consider when bidding on the Statewide Residential HVAC QI/QM RFA:

* Program Overview and Design
* Program Operations
* Savings Potential
* Experience and Capabilities

If the abstract is successful, the bidder will be asked to submit a proposal at a later date that will include detailed information regarding information provided in the Abstract along with additional information to further validate the proposal.

# PowerAdvocate Registration

**SDG&E will manage this event through Power Advocate’s sourcing platform.**  **Interested bidders will need to register in Power Advocate to access all future communications and, upon its release, the RFA for Industrial Sector program.**

All Bidders are **required** **to register in Power Advocate to access the RFA documents**, submit questions, and submit a ***Statewide Residential HVAC Sector*** Program Abstract. Bidders can register in Power Advocate using the following URL:

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