

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
RFP 2014-002
FOR UTILITY ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL CONSULTANT
ISSUED ON JUNE 9, 2014**

	Question	Answer
7	Is the Commission looking to hire a single consultant or multiple consultants for these services?	The number of consultants hired for the requested services will depend ultimately on the proposals received. However, based on past experience and the nature of the work, the Commission would prefer to hire 2 or 3 consultants to cover the needs outlined in the RFP.
8	The RFP requires bidders to provide a detailed cost proposal that identifies the hourly rate for personnel and any associated expenses. Would the successful consultant need to develop a separate budget for each project assignment?	No. The contract(s) resulting from this RFP will have a specified dollar value. All work conducted under the contract would fall within the contract budget.
9	What number of project assignments should applicants anticipate for budgeting purposes for the proposal?	Applicants should develop a budget that covers the contract time period and involves providing consulting services on an 'on-call' basis, which could result in intermittent projects throughout that period and/or a relatively small number of on-going projects.
10	Would a successful consultant need to limit future work in New Hampshire to work for the Commission?	The successful consultant would not need to limit future work in New Hampshire unless such work conflicts with the contract. (See also response to Question 5 below.)
11	Would the successful consultant be allowed to work for other intervenors in specific dockets before the Commission?	The successful consultant would need to obtain Commission approval prior to taking on another engagement involving intervenors in dockets before the Commission.
12	Please describe the process for engaging the successful bidder(s) in project assignments as they arise. Will the chosen consultant(s) be able to elect to bid or pass on specific assignments based on available resources, project timelines, etc.?	No bid is required for projects that fall within the contract. Commission Staff will notify the successful bidder of upcoming projects as they arise and discuss each project with the consultant. The consultant may choose to pass on a particular project for good cause.