

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
Ameren Missouri Filing its Pre-Qualification Process)
for Contractors Seeking to Participate in Competitive) File No. GO-2021-_____
Bidding to Install ISRS-Eligible Gas Utility Plant)
Projects.)

**AMEREN MISSOURI'S NOTICE OF
PRE-QUALIFICATION PROCESS FOR CONTRACTORS SEEKING TO
PARTICIPATE IN A COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO INSTALL
ISRS-ELIGIBLE GAS UTILITY PLANT PROJECTS**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “Company”), and pursuant to Section 393.1012.4, RSMo., files this Notice of Pre-Qualification Process for Contractors Seeking to Participate in a Competitive Bidding to Install ISRS-Eligible Gas Utility Plant Projects. In support hereof, the Company respectfully states as follows:

1. The Company is a Missouri corporation doing business under the fictitious name of Ameren Missouri, in good standing in all respects, with its principal office and place of business located at 1901 Chouteau Ave., St. Louis, Missouri 63103. Ameren Missouri is engaged in providing gas utility services in portions of Missouri as a public utility under the jurisdiction of the Commission. The contact information for Ameren Missouri's counsel is set forth below.

2. Amendments to the Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge ("ISRS") statutes (Sections 393.1009 *et seq.*, RSMo.) became effective August 28, 2020. The amendments included an addition to Section 393.1012.4, RSMo. that requires gas corporations to develop and file with the Commission a pre-qualification process for contractors seeking to participate in competitive bidding to install ISRS-eligible gas utility plant.

3. Pursuant to Section 393.1012.4, RSMo. Ameren Missouri has prepared and now files with the Commission the attached Pre-Qualification Process and Pre-Qualification Requirements, which are Exhibit A to this Notice.

4. Communications, correspondence, orders and decision in this matter should be addressed to the undersigned counsel for the Company.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Notice, and for any other relief the Commission deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

**UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY
D/B/A AMEREN MISSOURI**

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic transmission, facsimile, or email to counsel for parties in this case on this 30th day of June, 2021.

/s/ *Jermaine Grubbs*

Ameren Summary of Prequalification Process

for ISRS-Eligible Gas Utility Plant Projects

Overview

Ameren Missouri prequalifies all prospective suppliers for all contract events as part of their overall Sourcing process. Ameren Missouri holds major contracting events for natural gas projects, including ISRS-eligible gas utility plant projects, every five years and periodically as needed. Contract Development Teams are established to plan, prequalify, review, and select suppliers for all major sourcing events. The following process summary provides an overview of the prequalification process for natural gas projects. A template document is also attached.

Sourcing Process Summary

Contract Development Teams and Event Planning

Ameren's Sourcing department leads all major sourcing events. Sourcing assembles a Contract Development Team (CDT) with representatives from the Business Segments, Legal, Diversity, Quality, Project Management, Construction Oversight, and others as needed, to assess the Supply Base, Scope of Work, Pricing, and other Qualitative information. The CDT reviews Supplier information collected through the Request for Information (RFI) and Request for Proposal (RFP) processes. This information is collected, ranked, and documented in a Sourcing Tool.

Supplier Solicitation and Pre-Qualification Process

Suppliers are solicited and pre-qualified during event planning. The CDT, along with Sourcing, develops a list of potential suppliers from incumbents, consultants, online research, and solicitations received. The CDT develops an RFI and sends the request out to the identified Suppliers. The CDT reviews responses and selects the prequalified bid list based upon the information provided. See attached copy of an RFI template.

Sourcing compiles the information received and reviews each Supplier's qualifications for bidding the proposed work. The following qualifications are typically considered for a Supplier to be invited to bid. This list may be supplemented depending on the size and complexity of the work.

Typical Pre-Qualification Items

- Safety Metrics, Supervision, and Planning (See RFI Template for details)
- Diversity- Diverse certifications, and plan for subcontracted work (See RFI Template for details)
- Local Economic Impact – Corporate location and willingness to locate and hire within the State and Ameren's Service Territory (See RFI Template for details)
- Relevant work experience – The RFI requests a summary of relevant work along with customer references
- Financial stability – Ameren conducts internal reviews based on public information and internal software
- Staffing and Equipment availability – Field staff and equipment that will meet the needs of the work being bid

EXHIBIT A

- Operator Qualifications – Ameren business segments validate operator qualifications as needed for the project
- Terms, Insurance, and Cybersecurity Requirements - These requirements are typically validated as part of the bid process. Suppliers submit their compliance with Ameren terms as part of their bid submittal, including any redline comments if applicable.