PG&E's GHGRFO

Overview for ARB January 26, 2012



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Reasons for GHG RFO

- ARB's first allowance auction scheduled for August 2012
- PG&E must buy compliance instruments in 2013-2014 for:
 - Utility-owned facilities including gas compressor stations
 - Select tolling agreements and Qualifying Facility (QF) PPAs
 - Electricity imports
- RFO gives PG&E opportunity to receive offers for compliance instruments before the auction
 - Industrial-allocated allowances cannot be sold at auction
 - Offsets cannot be sold at auction

GHG Procurement Plan

- Execution of any transaction contingent upon CPUC approval of PG&E's GHG Procurement Plan (filed in Track III of the LTPP proceeding)
- GHG Procurement Plan specifies procurement of offsets under certain conditions:
 - To meet up to 8% of compliance obligation
 - Procurement through secondary or bilateral markets, including annual GHG RFO
 - PG&E will assess risk of invalidation for each offset project

Eligible Products and Terms

- Seeking ARB-issued GHG compliance instruments as follows:
 - Allowances
 - Offsets
 - From single offset project or aggregated pool of offset projects
- Participants
 - Must specify vintage year(s)¹ and delivery year(s)²
 - Can include multiple vintage and/or delivery years including future deliveries
 - Minimum offer size: 25,000 mt CO2e (may be delivered over multiple years)

¹ Vintage year refers to the year the allowance/offset is issued by ARB

² Delivery year refers to the year the allowance/offset is transferred by theParticipant to PG&E

Evaluation Criteria

- <u>Market Valuation (MV)</u>: How an offer's price compares to PG&E's forward price curve for GHG allowances
- <u>Project Viability</u> (PV): The likelihood that an offset project will deliver offset credits at full contract quantity and on schedule
- <u>Supplier Diversity</u>: PG&E will use the information provided to determine how an offer will assist PG&E in reaching its enterprisewide supplier diversity goals
- <u>Credit</u>: The Participant's capability to perform all of its financial and financing obligations under the Agreement
- <u>Modifications</u>: The extent, materiality and cost impact of any of Participant's proposed modifications to RFO requirements and applicable Agreements
- <u>Portfolio Fit</u>: How well the offer's features match PG&E's portfolio needs within the context of Cap-and-Trade compliance, including the 8% usage cap on offset credits

GHG RFO Schedule

- Feb 1PG&E Issues GHG RFOFeb 15Participants' WebinarMarch 8Offers Due from Participants
- May 15 Shortlisted Participants Notified
- June 15+ Begin Execution of Contracts