

**REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS
FIRM AND
DELIVERABLE
CAPACITY**



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For the Purchase of Firm and Deliverable Capacity

Southwestern Public Service Company ("Southwestern" or "SPS"), an operating company subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc., is issuing this Request for Proposals ("RFP") in solicitation of Firm and Deliverable Capacity. This RFP details the SPS preferred delivery periods and associated terms and conditions. SPS is open to alternative structures and proposals.

Summary Requirements

- Proposals should cover the period of June 1, 2026 through March 31, 2028
- SPS is focused on resources available over the Winter and Summer Periods, but will consider proposals offering shorter or longer periods. However, any proposal must cover a minimum of one Period.
- Summer and Winter Periods are defined as:
 - Summer: June through September
 - Winter: December through March
- The below table indicates the specific months of interest to SPS:

	January	February	March	June	July	August	September	December
2026				X	X	X	X	X
2027	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2028	X	X	X					

- Proposals should be for a minimum of 25 MWs and maximum of 200 MWs.
- SPS would expect to execute any transaction under a WSPP, EEI or similar agreement. To the extent the parties do not have an existing enabling agreement in place, a long form contract would be drafted and subject to agreement by both parties.
- SPS will accept one, or multiple Proposals from a Bidder. If a Bidder provides multiple Proposals, they must indicate whether the Proposals are mutually exclusive. Mutually exclusive Proposals will be evaluated as competing Proposals.
- Bidder to specify fixed monthly charge associated with the supply in a fixed \$/kW-month charge for the term.



1. Instructions to Bidders

1.1 RFP Contact Information and Communications

All communications from Bidders, including questions or requests for clarifying information, must be sent to the SPS RFP Team at: Xcel-COMOPS-RFP@xcelenergy.com.

1.2 Proposal Submittal

All Proposals must be submitted by email to Xcel-COMOPS-RFP@xcelenergy.com no later than the Proposal Submission Deadline. The RFP Evaluation Team reserves the right to contact Participants at any time to clarify their Proposal terms and conditions or to request additional information.

2. Proposals

2.1 Products

SPS is interested in two (2) Product types but may consider other Products as proposed by the Bidder. The preferred Products being considered are:

- Deliverable Capacity
- Firm Capacity

2.2.1 – Deliverable Capacity

SPS would purchase Deliverable Capacity at fixed amounts as defined in Attachment AA of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff (“OATT”). Respondents providing proposals for Deliverable Capacity should populate Appendix A (attached) with volumes and associated prices

As part of the annual Workbook submission, Seller will register the Generation Resource in the SPP Integrated Marketplace in accordance with Section 7.1 of Attachment AA of the OATT. Both parties would agree that a copy of this agreement may be provided to SPP in accordance with Section 8.1 of Attachment AA of the OATT.

Seller is responsible for all costs associated with this product

2.2.2 – Firm Capacity

SPS would purchase Firm Capacity as defined in Attachment AA of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff, delivered to SPP.SPP, at fixed amounts during the term. SPS has a preference for proposals that are inclusive of all costs associated with the delivery of a Firm Capacity product to the specified delivery point. Should these costs be unknown, SPS requires this to be specifically noted in the respondents proposal.

Respondents providing proposals for Firm Capacity should populate Appendix B (attached) with volumes and associated prices.

As part of the annual Workbook submission, Seller will register the Generation



Resource in the SPP Integrated Marketplace in accordance with Section 7.1 of Attachment AA of the OATT. Both parties would agree that a copy of this agreement may be provided to SPP in accordance with Section 8.1 of Attachment AA of the OATT

SPS is willing to consider product volumes on an as accredited basis so long as proposals include a guaranteed minimum volume.

3. RFP Deadlines and Proposal Evaluation

3.1 Expected RFP Schedule

Deadline for Questions	By 5:00 PM MDT February 7, 2025
Proposal Submission Deadline	By 5:00 PM MDT February 21, 2025
Negotiations with successful bidders	After the Submission Deadline
Anticipated Completion of Contracts	Q2 2025

SPS reserves the right to revise the RFP Schedule to accommodate changing circumstances.

3.2 Proposal Evaluation Criteria

Participants to this RFP should provide sufficient information in their response for SPS to conduct a thorough economic analysis of their proposal, including quantity, price (fixed and variable), term, restrictions, etc. SPS may consider other factors in its evaluation of proposals, including, but not limited to:

- Responsiveness of Bidder
- Creditworthiness of Bidder
- Other value-added benefits, whether tangible or intangible

The criteria listed above are not listed in any order of importance nor are they intended to be all inclusive.

3.3 Confidentiality

All Proposals become the exclusive property of SPS. SPS reserves the right to release and



disclose all or a portion of the Bidder's proposal(s) to its affiliates, board of directors, members and their agents, advisors, and consultants for purposes of proposal evaluation. However, SPS will treat all Proposals, including any supporting documentation, submitted by Bidders as confidential to the extent possible, consistent with applicable law. Likewise, Bidders must treat and preserve all information, data, and communications received from SPS as confidential, regardless of the existence or lack of confidential markings, and must distribute them only to personnel who need to know the information as part of this RFP process. Proposals may become subject to discovery and disclosure as required in regulatory or judicial proceedings, or under the Colorado Open Records Act.

3.4 Acceptance of Proposals

SPS reserves the right, without qualification, to select or reject any or all Proposals and to waive any formality, technicality, requirement, or irregularity in the proposals received. A Bidder who submits a proposal does so without recourse against SPS for either rejection by SPS or failure to execute an agreement for the purchase of capacity and/or energy for any reason. Additionally, SPS reserves the right to accept Proposals other than the lowest cost proposal and Participants should recognize that factors other than price may be considered during the proposal evaluation process. SPS will not reimburse any Participants for any cost incurred in submitting a proposal or any subsequent contract negotiations. Under no circumstances will SPS be contractually bound by the terms of any bidder's proposal until a fully executed agreement has been entered into between the parties.

3.5 SPS Board of Directors and Regulatory Approval

The Proposals submitted in this RFP will be evaluated as described above. Any contracts that may be considered as a result of this RFP or subsequent negotiations may be subject to SPS Board of Directors approval and may be subject to other regulatory approvals.



Attachment A

Deliverable Capacity Offer Table

Deliverable Capacity Offer Table

	Volume 1	Price per kw-month	Volume 2	Price per kw-month	Volume 3	Price per kw-month	Volume 4	Price per kw-month
Jun-26								
Jul-26								
Aug-26								
Dec-26								
Jan-27								
Feb-27								
Mar-27								
Apr-27								
May-27								
Jun-27								
Jul-27								
Aug-27								
Sep-27								
Oct-27								
Nov-27								
Dec-27								
Jan-28								
Feb-28								
Mar-28								



Attachment B

Firm Capacity Offer Table

	Volume 1	Price per kw-month	Volume 2	Price per kw-month	Volume 3	Price per kw-month	Volume 4	Price per kw-month
Jun-26								
Jul-26								
Aug-26								
Dec-26								
Jan-27								
Feb-27								
Mar-27								
Apr-27								
May-27								
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Mar-28								