

**Request for Indicative Proposals for MISO Zonal Resource Credits
Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region**

**On Behalf of
Brown County Rural Electrical Association,
Itasca-Mantrap Co-op Electrical Ass'n,
Kandiyohi Power Cooperative,
Lake Region Cooperative Electrical Association,
McLeod Cooperative Power Association,
Nobles Cooperative Electric,
Stearns Cooperative Electric Association, and
Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative
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1. Introduction

Western Area Power Administration - Upper Great Plains Region (WAPA) is distributing this Request for Indicative Proposals (RFIP) to identify alternatives for Zonal Resource Credits (ZRCs) for eight distribution electric cooperative members (Member Cooperatives) of Great River Energy (GRE). Following a review of the Indicative Proposals received in response to this RFIP, WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, will select one or more suppliers for negotiations or issue a more refined request for proposals. If WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, does engage in direct negotiations with one or more suppliers as a result of this RFIP, material changes in price or non-price terms and conditions (except for adjustments to reflect changes to forward market price curves) may result in elimination from further consideration.

2. Supply and Transmission Requirements

WAPA is requesting proposals from respondents for Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) accredited capacity. WAPA is seeking offers for the following:

- Product: MISO ZRCs
 - MISO Deliverability Zone: LRZ 1 and LRZ 3
 - ZRCs must be registered in MISO's Module E, or any successor mechanism, and will need to be transferred from respondent to GRE in MISO's Module E in accordance with MISO deadlines
1. Buyer: Western Area Power Administration
 2. Seller: Respondent

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2.1 Product A: Summer Capacity

- Summer Season ZRCs
- Term: MISO Planning Year 2026/2027 only
- Quantity:
 - Up to 8.8 MW to be delivered into LRZ 1
 - Up to 0.3 MW to be delivered into LRZ 3

2.2 Product B: Fall Capacity

- Fall Season ZRCs
- Term: MISO Planning Year 2026/2027 only
- Quantity:
 - Up to 19.5 MW to be delivered into LRZ 1
 - Up to 0.6 MW to be delivered into LRZ 3

2.3 Product C: Winter Capacity

- Winter Season ZRCs
- Term: MISO Planning Year 2026/2027 only
- Quantity:
 - Up to 16.2 MW to be delivered into LRZ 1
 - Up to 0.6 MW to be delivered into LRZ 3

2.4 Product D: Spring Capacity

- Spring Season ZRCs
- Term: MISO Planning Year 2026/2027 only
- Quantity:
 - Up to 17.5 MW to be delivered into LRZ 1
 - Up to 0.5 MW to be delivered into LRZ 3

3. Contract Length

WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, is requesting proposals only for MISO Planning Year 2026/2027. WAPA will not consider any proposals that extend beyond MISO Planning Year 2026/2027.

4. Pricing

WAPA encourages respondents to provide a price per kW/MW, as applicable, for each product in both deliverability zones.

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5. Proposal Evaluation Criteria

All proposals will be evaluated based on ability to best meet the electricity supply needs of the Member Cooperatives considering price, reliability of supply, and other factors. WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, reserves the right to consider any factor deemed relevant to the Member Cooperatives' electricity supply needs.

All Proposals must be for capacity either inside of the MISO footprint or delivered into MISO utilizing firm transmission. External resources shall provide proof of firm transmission for delivery into the MISO market. For all proposals, respondents must make all arrangements and accept financial responsibility for firm transmission service from the resource to the delivery point into MISO LRZ 1 and/or MISO LRZ 3. Respondents are responsible for all losses, physical or financial, up to the MISO footprint.

All transmission shall meet MISO requirements for firm capacity, and all capacity resources must meet accreditation requirements of MISO.

6. RFIP Terms and Conditions

The RFIP shall not constitute a commitment to purchase supply from any entity submitting a response to this RFIP. WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, retains the right to reject any and all proposals. All recipients and participants of this RFIP are responsible for all costs incurred in evaluating and responding to this RFIP and/or the negotiation process.

WAPA may, upon selection of a respondent, choose to purchase less than the requested ZRCs in each season and in each deliverability zone.

WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, reserves the unilateral right to waive any technical or formal requirements contained in the RFIP.

7. Confidentiality

All information submitted in response to this RFIP will be treated as confidential by WAPA and the Member Cooperatives, and will only be disclosed to directors, staff, and advisors of WAPA and the Member Cooperatives, as necessary, to review and evaluate the proposals.

The Member Cooperatives' requirements data provided with this RFIP is confidential information and respondents should limit the distribution of this information to staff members involved in preparing proposals.

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8. Additional Information or Clarifications

Requests for clarifications or additional information concerning this RFIP can be directed to Mike Goodman at (406) 255-2935 or UGPRFIP@wapa.gov.

9. Proposals

Indicative Proposals must be electronically submitted by **1200 MST on January 7, 2026**, to UGPRFIP@wapa.gov.

Respondent must offer proposals for all products to be considered.

An Indicative Proposal must include the following:

Section 1 – Respondent Information

This section must contain a description of the respondent and include the name of the contact person, complete with pertinent information including address, phone number, fax number, and email address.

Section 2 – Products

This section must provide descriptions of the products being offered.

Section 3 – Pricing

This section must provide indicative pricing for any proposals offered.

WAPA encourages respondents to provide a price per kW/MW, as applicable, for each Product in both deliverability zones as described in this RFIP.

Section 4 – Source of Supply

WAPA, on behalf of the Member Cooperatives, is seeking proposals for firm capacity. This section must describe the location(s) or source(s) of the capacity to be supplied to MISO. Any contingencies to firmness and availability of the product must be detailed (operating constraints, curtailment risks, fuel supply risks, etc.).

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Attachment A
ZRC Seasonal Capacity Requirements (MW)

Season	MISO LRZ 1	MISO LRZ 3
Summer	8.8	0.3
Fall	19.5	0.6
Winter	16.2	0.6
Spring	17.5	0.5